

BB2L July 2025 ROSC Meeting

Call to Order by Araina Mickens

Date: July 22, 2025

Time: 2:00 pm - 3:00 am

Location: Zoom

MEETING AGENDA

Introduction of Agencies/ Attendees- Araina Mickens

Moderator- Araina Mickens

Why ROSC is important..... Kenneth Bell

Community Initiative Suggestions

Questions & Answer

Announcements & Upcoming Events

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Next Meeting Date: 8/20/2025

Location: Zoom



Meeting Minutes - BB2L ROSC Council

Date: July 22, 2025 Time: 2:00 pm

Location: Zoom

Call to Order:

• The meeting was called to order by Araina Mickens

Welcome and Introductions:

- Araina Mickens welcomed all attendees, introducing the purpose of the discussion.
- Invited each attendee to provide a brief introduction, highlighting their roles within the BB2L ROSC Council.
- Asked Attendees to give suggestions on services for community initiatives.
- Asked Community initiatives online to explain their services

Summary

- Discussed possible Re-entry program collaborations with CTA
- Erica from UMHOR discussed recovery and wrap around services for the formally incarcerated. Including Workforce development training and direct employment opportunities.
- Kimberly from Brighter Behaviors discussed providing Recovery Supportive Services, trauma counseling and partnering with referral agencies to provide employment.
- Discussed Resources needed:
 - Mental health professional
 - Re-entry resources (employers)

• School Resources (Alternatives to suspension)

Recovery Services include Workforce development training and direct employment opportunities. These services also include workforce training, housing assistance, health services, and food assistance.

Wraparound services include employment assistance, education and training, mentoring and support groups, access to housing assistance, emergency housing and food assistance, substance use and mental health counseling, strategies for presenting criminal backgrounds to employers, information on sealing or expunging criminal records, and family reunification and child-support assistance.

Workforce development training and direct employment programs and initiatives are designed to equip individuals with the skills and knowledge needed for specific jobs, while also connecting them with employers who are hiring. This dual approach aims to build a skilled workforce and address unemployment by bridging the gap between job seekers and available positions.

Recovery Support Services encompass a wide range of supports including employment coaching, peer/recovery coaching, recovery skills development, employment training, and spiritual support. These services are often delivered by individuals with lived experience of substance use disorders, making them uniquely equipped to guide others in recovery. Trauma counseling plays a vital role by helping individuals understand the underlying thoughts and beliefs related to substance use and build the skills needed to navigate challenging situations.

Upcoming Events:

BB2L Next Meeting – August 20, 2025.

Meeting Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned by Araina Mickens at 11:00 am.