Clark County ROSC Meeting Minutes

August 19th,2025 5:00 p.m. Forsythe Center Zoom

Attendees: Kristina Drum, Bobbye Scott, Jessica Parrill, Brandi Rhoades, Jonathan Burns, Cole Browning, Nicki Hanks, Norm Wilson, Deb Beckman, Jenna Hays, Amber Clark, Adam Lovell

Minutes

Agenda Item: Introductions of attendees

Spotlight speaker – No spotlight speaker this month

Meeting Summary: The Clark County ROSC Council held its first meeting and Kristina introduced Bobbye Scott as the new coordinator. The council discussed upcoming events and reviewed three key priorities including: drug court development, harm reduction access, and recovery housing options. The group explored recovery housing models and discussed challenges faced by recovery houses, while also reviewing plans for a community survey focused on substance use and recovery services. The conversation ended with a review of membership protocols and discussion of upcoming strategic planning, with plans to form subcommittees and schedule future meetings.

Clark County Priorities: The council reviewed three main priorities for Clark County: exploring a drug court, expanding harm reduction access and awareness, and exploring recovery housing. Kristina reported progress on harm reduction goals, including establishing two new Narcan distribution sites at the Martinsville Library and Moe's liquor store, and discussed plans to form subcommittees for both drug court and recovery housing initiatives.

Recovery Housing Initiative: The group discussed the need for recovery housing and explored potential models, including one in Indiana that has proven results for women. They considered contacting pastors and other community leaders to generate interest and momentum for the initiative. The conversation touched on the challenges of finding suitable housing and the importance of having buy-in from the community. The group also discussed the possibility of organizing awareness events to combat the "not in my backyard" mindset and the potential benefits of having program graduates share their experiences.

Survey: Kristina discussed the upcoming survey, which will include both state-mandated questions and additional questions aligned with their priorities. They plan to scale back the

survey length by removing some questions and focusing on those correlated with their three main priorities and keeping a few questions from last year's survey. Kristina mentioned adding definitions at the beginning of the survey for terms like harm reduction and recovery, as some respondents may not be familiar with them. The team is seeking input on additional questions that could yield pertinent information for Clark County. The team discussed survey questions about recovery support and resource awareness, with Amber suggesting a new question about where people would go for recovery resources. Kristina confirmed this was similar to a previous year's question about service locations. The group agreed to consolidate redundant questions and reduce the number of items to avoid survey fatigue. Kristina will send out a revised version for additional feedback.

Membership Protocol Review: Kristina presented the membership protocols for the ROSC Council, outlining key definitions, mission statement, values, and principles. She discussed the importance of recruiting new members and emphasized that serving on the council is a volunteer position with no compensation. Deb suggested adding a clause to the confidentiality protocol, allowing members to share their stories outside meetings if they agree. Kristina also mentioned the upcoming strategic plan development and the need for input from community stakeholders.

Communication Campaign: In recognition of the growing mental health needs of students, the campaign offers practical tips and resources through a series of free informational flyers distributed through social media. These materials aim to equip families with strategies to manage anxiety, support daily routines, and encourage open conversations around emotions and mental health. Going back to school can be an exciting but also stressful time for children and parents alike. Our August campaign is about letting families know that they're not alone, and that recovery and resilience are possible when we focus on support, connection, and reducing stigma.

Reminders/Tasks:

- Bobbye to create a new Zoom link for the next Clark County ROSC Council meeting on September 16th.
- All members to consider potential locations for Narcan cabinets in Clark County and inform Bobbye or Kristina.
- Bobbye to form a subcommittee dedicated to overseeing the Recovery Housing Initiative.
- Bobbye to set up a time for a Drug Court subcommittee meeting.
- Kristina to revise the survey questions based on feedback, including removing redundant questions about Drug Court.
- Kristina to update the membership protocols document to edit the paragraph about Hour House and modify the confidentiality clause about sharing personal stories.
- All members to think about potential stakeholders to invite to future ROSC meetings.
- All members to provide feedback on the survey questions via email to Kristina if they think of additional suggestions.

Next Meeting: Clark County ROSC September 16^{th} , 2025 5:00 p.m. at The Forsythe Center & Zoom

New Facebook Page: Clark County ROSC