



McLean County Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC) September 2025 Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, September 18th, 2025

Time: 3:30 – 4:30 pm

Location: In-person, Bloomington Public Library

Attendees:

1. Barb Brumleve- Chestnut Health Systems, McLean & Ford ROSC
2. Cat Hays- Chestnut Health Systems, McLean ROSC
3. Jeffrey Ehrmantraut – CASA of McLean/Logan Counties
4. Caitlyn Cline – Bloomington Public Library
5. Alisa Ndorongo-Fall – DRS Offices (McLean/LaSalle)
6. Cory Tello – McLean County Board of Health/Mid Central Community Action Board Member
7. Emily Hartley – Brightpoint/Community Services Coordinator
8. Andrea Kindseth – Community Reintegration Advocate – Life Cil
9. Shayla Woodworth – Recovery Support Specialist
10. Jesse Williams – Project Oz/Homeless Youth Specialist
11. Tory Dahmm – MedMark Treatment Center
12. Melissa Simmons – Department of Rehabilitation Services (DRS)
13. Cynthia Carter – Wayman Ames/HEAL Room
14. Mike Gardner – ISU Police/Community Engagement
15. Kelly Schwamberger – Allies Against Trafficking
16. Nancy Bollengar – Allies Against Trafficking
17. Wendy Klinkner – Allies Against Trafficking
18. Diana Richards – CRSS Program/Heartland
19. Gabby Husack – Chestnut Health Systems
20. Anna Hinson – Labrinth House
21. Aggie Hedin – Synergy Home Care
22. Michael Parkerson - PLE

Agenda Items:

I. Welcome & Attendance

- a. Cat Hays and Barb Brumleve welcomed everyone and asked everyone to introduce themselves. McLean County ROSC collaborated with Chestnut and Nikki Myers offered a very informative **Addiction: 101 Training**. The

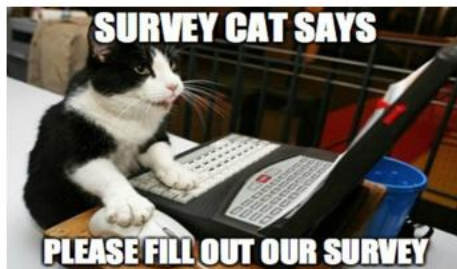


training was 1 hour before our in-person council meeting and there were 25 attendees.

II. FY26 McLean Community Survey Distribution Plan – We need your Help!

Our goal is to double the number of responses this year – Help spread the word ask friends, coworkers, clients if they’ve filled out – they can enter to win a \$25 Gift card.

- a. Targeted outreach informed by data from 2025 Mclean County Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA)
- b. Social media promotion
- c. McLean ROSC Planning Committee boots-to-the-ground promotion
- d. Council member organization promotion to survey
- e. Email push to networks
- f. Promotion and call-to-action at local governmental meetings-McLean County Board, McLean County Board of Health, Bloomington City Council, Normal Town Council
- g. Media engagement – WGLT, WMBD News, The Pantagraph



FY26
Community
Survey

III. Review & Update of FY26 McLean ROSC Community Resource List Part 1: ROSC Council Breakout Brainstorm

- a. **Group 1: Crisis, legal, and transportation resources**

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- i. PATH no longer provides bus tokens
- ii. New Horizon no longer provides bus tokens
- iii. PATH no longer has 211 – does provide 988 services
- iv. Effingham Transportation
- v. Medicaid MCO provides transportation
- vi. Connect Transit or Show Bus
- vii. Chestnut Family Health Center transportation to their appts
- viii. IL recently added hotline for LGBTQ folks
- ix. Elder Abuse hotline CHELP
- x. 988 – call, text, chat

b. Group 2: Youth & Housing/Homeless resources

- i. Salvation Army – currently we have the wrong email address
- ii. Labyrinth House no longer exists
- iii. Home Sweet Home – add the Bridge details when complete
- iv. Oxford House – Danielle 414-209-2082
- v. St. Vincent DePaul Church – has rent assistance
- vi. Birthright – Client specific help with rental assistance with qualifications
- vii. Lula Peoria – Provides Street support and peer advocacy for unserved people in Peoria. kshe@lulapeoria.com (shelter questions)
- viii. God's Mission Ministry – Kim Massey

c. Social Services Resources

- i. Healthy Start
- ii. Autism Pathways
- iii. Department of Rehab Services (Home services and vocational rehab)
- iv. Bloomington Public Library
- v. Normal Public Library
- vi. Allies Against Trafficking

d. Medical Resources

- i. See current list/no additions currently



IV. National Recovery Month September 2025

a. 3rd Annual Recovery Month Library Book Displays

- i. McLean ROSC & A New Horizon Recovery Community Center are partnering again this year to collaborate with libraries across McLean County for the third annual Recovery Month Library Book Display initiative. Libraries will display anti-stigma campaign materials along with harm reduction resources and recovery-oriented book titles.

b. Recovery Stories Project

- i. The McLean County ROSC and A New Horizon Recovery Community Center are partnering for National Recovery Month 2025 to feature a series of local recovery stories on Facebook and Instagram throughout the month of September 2025. We are looking for individuals with lived experience or living experience of recovery from substance use and mental health disorders to share their stories on social media through answering a question and uploading a picture that symbolizes their own personal recovery. Participants may choose to have their recovery stories featured anonymously in the social media post. Participants who share their recovery story will be entered for a gift card drawing. For those interested, please fill out the following form:
www.tinyurl.com/RecoveryStories2025.

c. Paint the Town Purple Initiative

- i. Cat Hays presented the “Paint the Town Purple” initiative which aims to promote Recovery Month Awareness in McLean County, drawing inspiration Ford County’s program. Barb Brumleve explained that participants can decorate their windows, cars, or homes in **PURPLE** and share photos on social media. The initiative will include a voting process based on “Likes” on social media, with prizes such as gift certificates for the most creative displays.

V. Agency & Community Updates



- a. **Shayla** shared A New Horizon is having an event this Friday: **Voices of Recovery, Friday, September 26th, 6:00pm - 7:30pm**. This will be held at the **RCC, A New Horizon** at 520 N Center, Bloomington. Hope to see you there 😊
- b. **Cynthia** from **Wayman Ames Church** shared they will have an event on **Saturday, October 4th, Every Step Counts, \$10 donation**.
- c. Emily from **Brightpoint** said they will have their annual **Fall Safety Fair on 10/21 from 4:30-6pm at 1119 Taylor St in Bloomington**.
- d. **Allies Against Trafficking** (Kelly Schwabberger, Nancy Bollengar and Wendy Klinkner) with **ROSC/Chestnut** will be collaborating with **Liesl Weingarten** from **SIU** providing a webinar on **Drug Endangered Children and Familial Trafficking, Thursday, November 13th at Noon until 1:30...more to come!!**

VI. McLean ROSC Updates & Successes

- a. New Volunteer Opportunities
 - i. **Recovery Month Recovery Stories** – If interested in participating, please fill out the following form:
www.tinyurl.com/RecoveryStories2025
 - ii. **Paint the Town Purple** – Start planning your decorations during the month of September to raise awareness for Recovery Month in September.
 - iii. **Community Survey Distribution** – Thank you to all that have already signed up to distribute our survey materials. Our goal is to receive 500, we have until the end of November!! Please think of ways to promote and get people to fill out the survey 😊
 - iv. **Planning Committee Update** – Next virtual planning committee meeting is Wednesday, 10/10 from 1-2 pm via MS Teams interested in joining, please contact Cat via email:
cmhays@chestnut.org
 - v. **Sober Social After Hours Planning Committee**: Join us at our next meeting, Wednesday, Oct. 29 at 5:30 p.m. Please contact Cindy Alcazar at Cindy.Alcazar@heartland.edu.
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VII. Upcoming Trainings

- a. To learn more about upcoming trainings in the next few months, please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/McLeanROSC7-2025Train>

VIII. Next Meeting

- a. Tuesday, October 21st, 2025
- b. 3:30-4:30 pm virtually via Zoom
 - i. Zoom Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96709486019>

IX. Contact Info

- a. Kari Knapp, Associate Director of Community Health – kmknapp@chestnut.org
- b. Cat Hays, Community Health Specialist for Recovery Supports – cmhays@chestnut.org
- c. Barb Brumleve, Community Health Specialist – bdbrumleve@chestnut.org
- d. McLean County ROSC Team – McLeanCountyROSC@gmail.com