



Greene & Scott County R.O.S.C.

Recovery Council

GSRC STRATEGY PLAN

FY26

Strategic Plan Summary FY 2026

Overview

The Greene & Scott County Recovery-Oriented System of Care (GSRC) is a collaborative, community-based network designed to support individuals, families, and communities impacted by substance use and mental health challenges. GSRC works to reduce stigma, strengthen community partnerships, expand recovery supports, and improve long-term recovery outcomes. Recovery is viewed as a shared community responsibility and a core community value.

This Strategic Plan Summary outlines GSRC's **FY 2026 priorities**, informed exclusively by **2026 community survey data and needs assessment findings**. This document serves as a concise, data-driven planning tool aligned with IDHS/SUPR expectations. A comprehensive five-year strategic plan is maintained separately and available upon request.

2026 Needs Assessment Summary

In 2026, GSRC conducted a community survey engaging individuals with lived experience (PLEs) and community stakeholders. Survey responses identified several recurring themes impacting recovery outcomes across Greene and Scott County:

- **Lack of support and resources** continues to be a primary barrier to sustained recovery.
- **Stigma related to substance use and mental health** remains prevalent, with many respondents reporting discrimination or fear of disclosure.
- **Transportation barriers** limit access to treatment, recovery supports, medical appointments, and court obligations.
- **Housing instability** and limited access to recovery-friendly housing were identified as significant challenges.
- **Youth mental health concerns and exposure to fentanyl-laced substances** emerged as growing risks.
- **High interaction with the criminal justice system** among individuals experiencing substance use disorders highlights the need for improved system coordination.

These findings serve as the **baseline data** for GSRC's FY 2026 strategic priorities and evaluation efforts.

FY 2026 Strategic Priority Areas

Priority Area 1: Engagement & Recovery Infrastructure

Survey-Informed Need: Respondents identified insufficient support, coordination, and accessible recovery resources.

FY 2026 Focus:

Strengthen council engagement, increase participation from individuals with lived experience, and enhance coordination across community sectors.

Key Strategies:

- Increase engagement of PLEs and underrepresented community sectors.
- Strengthen council participation through clear roles and action-oriented involvement.
- Expand outreach and visibility of GSRC activities and resources.

Outcome Measures:

- Meeting attendance and participation tracking
 - Representation across community sectors
 - Documentation of council-led activities and initiatives
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Priority Area 2: Access to Basic Needs (Housing & Transportation)

Survey-Informed Need: Transportation and housing barriers were frequently cited as obstacles to recovery stability.

FY 2026 Focus:

Improve access to transportation and housing resources through coordination, partnerships, and information sharing.

Key Strategies:

- Compile and maintain updated transportation and housing resource lists.
- Strengthen partnerships with transportation providers, faith-based organizations, and housing stakeholders.
- Increase awareness of available resources among PLEs and service providers.

Outcome Measures:

- Resource lists developed and distributed
 - Number of partnerships established
 - Documented referrals and resource utilization
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Priority Area 3: Stigma Reduction & Community Education

Survey-Informed Need: Stigma related to substance use and mental health discourages individuals from seeking support.

FY 2026 Focus:

Reduce stigma through education, outreach, and normalization of recovery-oriented messaging.

Key Strategies:

- Implement community education and awareness initiatives.
- Expand naloxone education and distribution efforts.
- Increase visibility of recovery-friendly messaging and events.

Outcome Measures:

- Number of educational events and outreach activities
 - Naloxone kits distributed and trainings conducted
 - Participation and engagement metrics
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Priority Area 4: Prevention & Youth-Focused Efforts

Survey-Informed Need: Youth mental health challenges and substance use risks, including fentanyl exposure, were identified as growing concerns.

FY 2026 Focus:

Strengthen prevention and education efforts for youth and caregivers through collaboration with schools and community partners.

Key Strategies:

- Support and expand prevention education initiatives.
- Engage schools, caregivers, and youth-serving organizations.
- Increase awareness of substance use risks and mental health supports.

Outcome Measures:

- Number of prevention partnerships established
 - Educational sessions delivered
 - Participation levels in youth-focused activities
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Priority Area 5: Criminal Justice System Collaboration

Survey-Informed Need: Many individuals experiencing substance use challenges also interact with the criminal justice system.

FY 2026 Focus:

Improve coordination and collaboration between GSRC and criminal justice partners to support recovery-oriented responses.

Key Strategies:

- Strengthen engagement with law enforcement, jails, probation, and courts.
- Increase cross-system understanding of recovery-oriented practices.
- Promote supportive pathways to treatment and recovery services.

Outcome Measures:

- Number of criminal justice partners engaged
 - Collaborative meetings and initiatives documented
 - Referral and coordination efforts tracked
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Evaluation & Data Use

The 2026 survey data serves as GSRC's baseline needs assessment for this strategic period. Progress will be monitored using both quantitative and qualitative measures, including attendance records, participation data, resource utilization, and follow-up surveys. Findings will inform continuous quality improvement and guide future strategic planning efforts.

Closing Statement

This FY 2026 Strategic Plan Summary reflects GSRC's commitment to data-driven decision-making, community collaboration, and recovery-oriented systems development. The strategies outlined in this plan directly respond to needs identified through the 2026 community survey and support long-term recovery outcomes for Greene and Scott County residents.
