

## **Sangamon County ROSC Council- Monthly Meeting**

12/23/25, 9am

Location: zoom

### **Attendees:**

- Whitney Devine, Sangamon Co. ROSC Council / Family Guidance Centers, Inc.
- Austin Dambacher, Sangamon Co. ROSC Council / Family Guidance Centers, Inc.
- Amanda DeFord, Birth to Five Illinois Region 51
- Marie Riley, Early Intervention CFC #18
- Mercedes Kent, Gateway Foundation
- Lt. Aaron Conard, Sangamon Co. Sheriff's Dept.
- Audie Prange, Sangamon Co. Sheriff's Dept.
- Mary Beth Rodgers, Sangamon Co. State's Attorney's Office
- Jeanette Davis, Memorial Behavioral Health
- Deanna Greene, Washington Street Mission

### **Agenda:**

- Introductions
- Membership Update
- Community and Organizational Updates & Events
- ROSC Event Updates
- Discussion: resource bundles for individuals exiting incarceration
- Open floor to ROSC members to share news, ideas, needs, etc.

### **Meeting Notes:**

#### **Introductions:**

- See attendee list

#### **Membership Update:**

- No new members since last month
- 28 active members / organizations
- Sector growth needed in: Judicial, media, youth-serving organizations, volunteer / civic organization, state / tribal / local government, law enforcement sectors
- Next New Member Orientation: Friday, 1/2/25, at 12pm via zoom (zoom link available via website- [www.sangamoncorosc.org](http://www.sangamoncorosc.org))

#### **Organizational / Community Updates & Events**

- Gateway Foundation- Jan. 17, 5pm-7pm- Alumni karaoke event held at Gateway's outpatient building. Hot chocolate and snacks provided
- Birth to Five- Ongoing support group survey (co-created with ROSC, Family & Action councils) to identify support groups, gaps, and barriers to creating new / additional support groups (centered around families, children, youth, and parents / caregivers)
  - Currently at 100 responses, survey closes in January
  - QR code and link are within ppt., and have been shared in separate email to ROSC email roster

- Family Guidance Centers- offering free clinical supervision for those seeking licensure / certification in Illinois; contact Cindy Rivera at [crivera@fgcinc.org](mailto:crivera@fgcinc.org)
- Heartland Housed- Welcome Home Basket initiative- collecting baskets with home goods, hygiene supplies, etc. To help those transitioning from being unhoused into housing

### **Community Resource Guides**

- Digital list and interactive map available online
- Please contact Whitney or Austin with information on new resources
- ROSC will be distributing new resource guides within the next few weeks

### **ROSC Event Updates**

- Recap: ROSC x Oxford House, Inc. Ugly Sweater Holiday Party
  - Sat. Dec 6, 6pm-8pm at the Pasfield House
  - 30+ attendees
  - Recovery speaker, food, karaoke, photo booth, dessert decorating
  - Pizzas donated by local Italian restaurant (Papi's Pizza)
- Recap: Feeding Springfield One Lasagna at a Time "Springfield Community Breakfast with the Big Guy"
  - Sat. 12/20/25, 8am-10am at Kumler United Methodist Church (600 N. 5th St., Springfield, IL); free community breakfast, gifts for kids, resources, gift card raffle
  - 10 local organizations present with resources; 100+ people attended
  - Breakfast was donated / served by IHOP (Wabash location)
- Upcoming: ROSC x Gateway Trivia Night- Jan. 31, 6:30 pm (doors open)- 9pm
  - Team trivia provided by Quizinators
  - Registration is required due to capacity limits (registration on ROSC website)
  - Prizes for top winners
  - Food provided by Feeding Springfield One Lasagna At A Time

### **Discussion: Planning resource bundles for individuals exiting incarceration**

- What should be included?
  - Marie Riley- Narcan and test strips for fentanyl, xylazine
  - Jeanette Davis- testing strips for fentanyl, xylazine
    - Individuals in similar circumstances in Logan County have responded positively to recovery resources (meetings, housing)
  - MAR information - vivitrol / buprenorphine
    - Lt. Conard- vivitrol is impractical due to shortened length of stays in jail (SAFE-T act). The jail has moved more towards bup. / Methadone
      - Family Guidance Centers (FGC) currently provides for both
    - Open to new avenues for vivitrol
      - SIU START Clinic was suggested, and contact info will be provided via email
  - Lt. Conard- the jail can't provide education on testing kits, but ROSC can include them in resource bundles
  - ROSC brochures / contact info

- Employment info
  - Express Employment- ROSC will reach out to get additional information / brochures
  - Illinois Work Net- ROSC will reach out to IDES to get additional information / brochures
- Recovery navigator info (Recovery Corps)- helps with education, community, and employment
- Lt. Conard- biggest needs seen are transportation and food assistance
  - Transportation vouchers- possibly given out separately (case by case)
  - Food resources- possibly given out separately (case by case)
  - Hygiene items- more of a specific need
- Eligibility:
  - Lt. Conard- option to give resource guides on demand
  - Kiosk that processes request (screener model)- used to help identify individuals that need resources
  - MH / SUD-involved individuals will get resource bundles automatically as part of re-entry plan
  - High turnover makes giving every returning individual a bundle difficult due (due to high demand)
- Transportation:
  - Bus tokens: Springfield Mass Transit District (SMTD)
    - Audie Prange- will get SMTD contact info to Whitney / Austin
- Tracking bundles:
  - A monthly report could be compiled via record from kiosk
  - Can be used to identify trends and patterns
  - Set amount for SUD, set amount for MH, ROSC would be contacted for specific bundles (transportation, food, housing, hygiene, etc.)
- Assembly- after holidays
  - Jeanette Davis, Marie Riley volunteered to help
- Additional needs:
  - 3x AA meetings in the jails per week, trying to get 1x NA meeting per week
  - Scheduling training sessions becomes an issue, but they are willing to work with individuals to help get them trained / approved to facilitate meetings

#### **Next Steps:**

- ROSC will follow up with emails regarding events (Matt Lantgen, Sam Brown), resource bundles (Lt. Conard, Audie Prange, Jeanette Davis, Marie Riley)
- Promotion of ROSC x Gateway Foundation's upcoming trivia night event

#### **Meeting Adjourned**



# Sangamon County ROSC Council

GENERAL MEETING

12.23.25



# Agenda

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Introductions

Membership Update

Community and Organizational Updates & Events

ROSC Event Updates

Resource Bundles for Individuals Exiting Incarceration

Open floor to ROSC members to share news, ideas, needs, etc.





# Introductions

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Name

Agency/organization/affiliation

How long have you been with ROSC?



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# Membership Update

**+0 new members since our last meeting**

Membership as of December 2025: 28  
Members

Of registered members:

27 unique organizations

1 individual (not org-affiliated)

# Collaborating Community Organizations



# New Member Registration & Process

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If you are interested in becoming a member OR need to re-register this year, please complete the survey: <https://forms.office.com/r/V1Fr6F3eeN>

Next new member orientation is Jan. 2, 2026 at 12pm

Join the Zoom Meeting at:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83128095681?pwd=cXD4pw0kUyGHSlPumrDmBjxaDUtRre.1>

Meeting ID: 831 2809 5681

Passcode: 133659

# Membership Representation: Sectors

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ROSC Sectors (n = 28 people, can choose more than one sector)				
Person with lived experience <b>13</b>	Recovery supports <b>12</b>	Faith-based groups <b>4</b>	Family <b>7</b>	Service providers <b>7</b>
Volunteer/civic organizations <b>1</b>	Education/schools <b>2</b>	Youth-serving organizations <b>1</b>	Media <b>1</b>	Business <b>3</b>
State/local/tribal government <b>2</b>	Substance use treatment organizations <b>4</b>	Healthcare <b>6</b>	Law enforcement <b>2</b>	Judicial <b>0</b>

# Collaborating Community Organizations: Updates

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UPCOMING EVENTS



COORDINATION  
NEEDS



GENERAL  
ORGANIZATIONAL  
UPDATES



NEWS FOR THE  
GROUP



# Birth to Five Illinois, Region 51: Support Group Survey

- Take 10 minutes to complete the Support Group Survey
- Email or text this Support Group survey to 5 friends!
- [Birth to Five Illinois: Region 51 Mental and Behavioral Health Support Groups - Airtable](#)





# The Welcome Home Basket Initiative

Each month, 20 to 30 households transition from homelessness into stable housing. Many move in without the basic essentials needed to manage a home.

**You can help by donating essential household items!**



Heartland HOUSED can provide the laundry basket! Whether you contribute a single item, a partially filled basket, or a fully stocked one, every donation makes a difference! Our team will ensure that each basket is complete to greet our newly housed neighbors! Please only include items in good condition.

## WHAT ITEMS ARE NEEDED?

- Pots and Pans Set
- Dishes (2 plates, 2 bowls)
- Cups (2 coffee mugs, 2 cups)
- Silverware / Knife Set
- Cooking Utensils
- Can Opener
- Oven Mitts
- Dish Towels
- Dish Soap and Sponge
- Food Storage Containers
- Comforter, Sheets, Pillow (Twin)
- Bath Towels and Washcloths
- Shower Curtain and Plastic Liner
- Hygiene (Hand Soap, Shower Gel)
- Toilet Paper
- Handheld Broom and Dustpan
- Trash Bags
- Cleaning Chemicals

Contact us at (217) 801-9033 or [staff@heartlandhoused.org](mailto:staff@heartlandhoused.org)

## Clinical Supervision Available

### Opioid Training and Technical Assistance Center (OTTAC)

- Clinical supervision with documentation from expert, licensed staff for individuals seeking licensure or certification in Illinois
- Provided at no cost to clinicians needing support on their path to becoming a certified/licensed behavioral health professional

Contact Cindy Rivera to schedule:



[crivera@fgcinc.org](mailto:crivera@fgcinc.org)



PREVENTION FIRST 



# Resource Guide Booklets

**Paper guide:** They're back!

**Need guides or QR cards?** Contact us! We'll be delivering

**QR cards:** Link directly to the online guide and interactive resource map.

**Online access:** Available under the **Resources** tab at <https://www.sangamoncorosc.org/>

**Edits/additions:** Email [wdevine@fgcinc.org](mailto:wdevine@fgcinc.org)

**Resource Map:** Google Map of Sangamon County resources (also on the ROSC website).



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# ROSC Event Updates





# ROSC x Oxford House Ugly Sweater Holiday Party





# ROSC x Gateway Foundation: Team Trivia Night

Teams of 5-7 people (registration required)

Free event

Food provided by Feeding Springfield One  
Lasagna at a time!

Prizes for top winners!

Recovery resources

General Trivia, provided by The Quizinators!

FUNDED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,  
DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY

SANGAMON COUNTY ROSC &  
GATEWAY FOUNDATION PRESENT:

# TRIVIA NIGHT

SATURDAY JANUARY 31ST, 2026  
DOORS @6:30PM | TRIVIA STARTS @7:15PM  
FOOD | PRIZES | RECOVERY RESOURCES  
TEAM REGISTRATION REQUIRED TEAMS OF 5-7 PEOPLE  
SCAN QR CODE BELOW !



*Feeding Springfield  
One Lasagna At A Time*

HOSTED BY GATEWAY FOUNDATION  
2200 LAKE VICTORIA DR,  
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62703



# Resource Bundles for Individuals Exiting Incarceration

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- What should go in it?
  - Insight from individuals with lived experience?
- Who's going to take care of what?
- Eligibility
  - Expressed need?
  - Screener / questionnaire to determine if individuals have needs? (housing instability, food insecurity, transportation needs, hygiene needs, MH / SUD treatment or recovery needs)
- Distribution
  - Process (to make easy for jail staff- reduce additional work, prevent individuals from falling through the cracks)
- How to track progress / distribution?

# Open Floor

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Thoughts?

Questions?

Comments?

Collaborations?

Needs?