

# Clark County ROSC Council – February Meeting Minutes

**Date:** February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**Time:** 5:00 PM

**Location:** HRC

**Present In Person:** *Bobbye Scott, Clark County ROSC Council Coordinator; Jessica Parrill, Clark County Council Recovery Navigator; Al R, PLE; Beth Wright, PLE; Keith Myers, Wabash valley Recovery Center; Kristin Myers, Family Guidance Center; Melanie Stout, Ruth House*

**Via Zoom:** *Amber Clark, VA; Deb Beckman, outgoing Region 4 TA, Kristin Myers, Family Guidance Center; Kristina Drum, Cumberland County ROSC Council Coordinator; Nicki Hanks, Edgar County ROSC Council Coordinator; Toni Randall, Region 4 TA*

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## 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order to provide updates on current recovery initiatives, review progress on strategic priorities, and coordinate planning for upcoming education, outreach, and community engagement activities in Clark County.

## 2. Overview of Key Discussion Areas

### Introductions and Agency Updates

- Bobbye, ROSC Council Coordinator, facilitated introductions and welcomed Toni Randall as the new Region 4 Technical Assistant.
- Kristin Myers with Family Guidance Centers provided an overview of the prevention grant, which offers training, toolkits, technical assistance, and weekly prevention resources to integrate substance use prevention into community organizations involving youth outside of school systems.
- Amber Clark shared highlights from the 2025 VA Suicide Prevention Report, noting delayed data release and elevated suicide risk among veterans, particularly those with nicotine and substance involvement. Illinois-specific data and presentation resources will be shared with the council.
- Keith Myers provided updates regarding peer support services launching in Clark County through a new grant partnership.
- Nicki Hanks, Edgar County ROSC Council Coordinator, announced the Edgar County Second Chance Hiring Fair on April 23rd, 2026.
- Kristina Drum, Cumberland County ROSC Council Coordinator, promoted the March 9th Recovery Housing Panel in Toledo.

- Melanie Stout, Ruth House Program Director, updated on new staffing and expansions happening from a received grant. She also mentioned increased interest in having trained MRT Facilitators in Clark County.

### **Community Outreach and Engagement**

- Bobbye emphasized expanding outreach within the recovery community and engaging individuals who are not yet connected to services. The council discussed scheduling challenges for monthly meetings and plans to redistribute a Google Form to finalize a consistent meeting time. A Drug Exploration Group subcommittee will begin meeting monthly, likely Wednesday or Thursday morning via Zoom.

### **Kratom/7-OH Ordinance Updates**

- Bobbye reported the successful countywide ban on Kratom and its derivatives, including 7-OH. She also shared that a city ordinance committee is working toward vape sales restrictions excluding FDA-approved tobacco and menthol, and plans to incorporate Kratom into city-level policy discussions.

### **Community Events and Engagement**

- Recent Laundry Day events were successful and continue building trust and visibility.
- Upcoming events include Easter Egg Painting on April 1<sup>st</sup> at Marshall Public Library.
- Community Narcan Training and Mini-Golf on April 11th at Fire in The Hole Mini Golf (Pending budget approval)
- Drug Court Panel Discussion at Harlan Hall in Marshall at 11:30 am on April 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Community in Bloom flower pot planting in partnership with Ewing Garden Barn on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## **3. Next Steps / Action Items**

<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Responsible Party</b>	<b>Due Date</b>
Send new google form and finalize new schedule	Bobbye	Upon finalization
Schedule Drug Exploration Group meetings.	Bobbye	Before next meeting
Coordinate flyers and logistics for upcoming events.	Bobbye	Ongoing
Plan and promote Egg Painting Event	Jessica	April 3 <sup>rd</sup>

## **4. Upcoming Meetings**

Clark County ROSC Council Meeting:

Date: March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Time: 5 pm CST

Location: HRC Forsythe Center @ 406 N 2<sup>nd</sup> St, Marshall, IL 62441

Subcommittee Meetings:

Recovery Housing Subcommittee – Schedule to be finalized and announced

Drug Court Exploration Group - Schedule to be announced

## **5. Adjournment**

The meeting concluded with appreciation for continued collaboration and commitment to strengthening recovery supports, harm reduction, education, and community engagement throughout Clark County. The council agreed to continue moving forward with strategic planning and coordinated outreach efforts.