

Attendees In-Person: Kristina Drum- Cumberland County ROSC Council Coordinator, Kyle Houser- Cumberland County ROSC Council Recovery Navigator, Donald Tipsword- PLE, Sara Ruholl- Families & Parents, Chris Gibson- PLE, Ben Weaver- PLE, Lilly Weaver- Community member, David Judson- PLE, Shawn Strader- Calvary Tabernacle & Celebrate Recovery, Toni Randal- ROSC Statewide Technical Assistant, Dan Randall- Community member, Ray King - PLE

Attendees on Zoom: Kristin Davis- Family Guidance Center

Minutes

Agenda Item: Introductions of attendees & Ice breaker

Spotlight Speaker: Chris Gibson shared his recovery journey with the council.

Meeting Summary: The meeting began with introductions and an icebreaker where participants shared what brought them joy that week. Christopher Gibson shared his personal journey through addiction and recovery, highlighting how support from the recovery community helped him overcome challenges. The group discussed their ongoing efforts to expand harm reduction access, including setting up additional Narcan distribution sites and conducting training sessions. They also reviewed progress on recovery housing options and a new diversion program for first-time offenders. The conversation ended with plans for upcoming events, including a bowling event on June 4th and a candlelight vigil on August 28th.

Expanding Harm Reduction Access and Awareness: The third Narcan training has been successfully completed. During the meeting, the council discussed potential audiences and explored location options for future trainings, including partnering with the local Fire Department. Additionally, the council has secured three new Narcan display sites: Compass Counseling in Toledo, The 119, and the American Legion in Neoga. These new locations will help expand access to lifesaving resources throughout the community.

Laundry Days: Kristina shared the statistics from the most recent Laundry Day and provided an update on recent donations. Current funds are sufficient to cover the upcoming Laundry Day in May; however, additional donations will be needed to support the Laundry Day scheduled for June.

Upcoming Events: Kristina discussed upcoming events and activities. She confirmed a bowling event scheduled for June 4th from 6-8pm at Thunder Lanes in Neoga, and mentioned plans for a

Candlelight Vigil on August 28th. The Gazebo on the square in Toledo was suggested as a location for the vigil. Plans to celebrate Recovery Month in were discussed.

Communication Campaign: April is Alcohol Awareness Month, a time dedicated to increasing understanding about alcohol misuse and encouraging open conversations about prevention, treatment, and recovery. Asking the question “*Do I have a drinking problem?*” can be the first step toward understanding and seeking the council invites community members, local organizations, and service providers to participate in Alcohol Awareness Month by sharing educational information, encouraging conversations about alcohol use, and supporting individuals and families affected by substance use.

Quarterly Report: Kristina and Kyle went over the quarterly report with the council, identifying objectives and progress made towards the three priority projects and what still needs to be done.

Recovery Month Planning: Kristina discussed plans for Recovery Month activities, including sharing video testimonies on the Cumberland County ROSC Council Facebook page displaying purple ribbons and pinwheels around the town square in Toledo and on Main Street in Greenup and at the 4-way stop in Neoga. Toni shared that in her community they placed purple flags on the courthouse lawn to represent people lost to overdoses over the past 10 years.

Reminders/Tasks:

- Kristina: Set up the remaining 2 DOPP (Drug Overdose Prevention Program) site locations to reach the goal of 6 total sites by June 30th.
- Council members: Identify and plan one more Narcan training for the year before June 30th.
- Kristina: Reach out to potential new DOP site partners (e.g., consider Debbie's suggestion and other community locations) and confirm at least one additional site.
- Kristina: Finalize location for the August 28th Candlelight Vigil, ask permission to host at the gazebo in Toledo.
- Sara: Ask the sheriff for permission to place purple flags on the courthouse lawn for Recovery Month and attempt to obtain the number of overdose deaths for display.
- Sara: Coordinate with community members to plant and water flowers at the Veterans Memorial in Neoga; assign community service volunteers as needed.
- Kristina: Contact interested individuals to record video testimonials for "Testimonial Tuesday" during September (Recovery Month).
- Kristina: Organize and advertise the free bowling event at Thunder Lanes on June 4th, including arranging for pizza and managing transportation needs.
- Kristina: Continue to seek sponsorships for future laundry day events.
- Kristina: Plan and advertise the next Narcan training before June 30th.

Next Meeting: [May 26th, 2026 5:30 p.m. at Calvary Tabernacle & Zoom](#)

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