

Douglas County ROSC Council Meeting Notes

Date: April 22, 2026 **Time:** 10:00-11:00 AM

Location: Virtual via Zoom and In-Person at the Douglas County Annex, 209 East Van Allen, Tuscola, IL

Douglas County ROSC Council Meeting Attendees:

Online: **Misty Robinson**-Hour House CORS Program, **Matthew Hales**- Newman Library, **Amanda Minor**- Douglas County Health Department, **Megan Janes**-BASE Program with Hour House

In Person: **Lyndsey Reedy**- Douglas County ROSC Council Coordinator, **Kandis Mills**- Douglas County ROSC Council Recovery Navigator,), **Toni Randall**-ROSC Technical Assistance Region 4, **Rob Wentz**-Community Member, **Ken Holland**- Community Member, **Brody Good**- Douglas County Probation, **Jason Rudolph**-Public Health Champaign-Urbana, **Christine Pierce**-Carle Outreach, **Mandi Gilliland**-ERBA and Salvation Army Tuscola, **Summer Phillips**-Douglas County Health Department, **Andy Brandenburg**-CORS Program Coordinator with Hour House

Guest speaker: **Summer Phillips, Outreach Program Manager/Health Educator II at the Douglas County Health Department**

Summer shared about the programs and work the Health Department is doing with Harm Reduction, post overdose and more. There is a box outside their Health Department (with no cameras) for anyone to access harm reduction items this also includes the clean needle exchange. There are feminine hygiene products also in the box. This box is accessible 24/7 365. The health department does not currently offer MAR (medication assisted recovery). There is a new provider at the school-based health clinic at this time and that provider can also help with wound care. There is also a new dentist at the Health Department. Summer gets calls from people asking for support and services the two most common needs at this time are related to homelessness and bed bugs. Pee and Flee is their anonymous infectious disease testing program this testing can be accessed at any of their public restrooms. Summer explained that if she learns that someone has experienced an overdose and they used Narcan from the Health Department (Prompt) she will contact Joe at Champaign County Health Department to report it. She also tries to contact the person to offer any and all support. There was some discussion on how difficult it is to report and to get accurate data about overdoses in Douglas County. Summer took a few minutes and shared highlights from the Health Department Annual Report.

For more information you can contact Summer at 217-253-4137.

Check out their Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/dchealthil.org>

Updates related to Priority Projects- Transitional Housing, MAR/Harm Reduction, Drug Court

- Update for transitional housing –cleanup day on April 18th was awesome. Thank you to everyone who was there! PJ's Place is looking so good! The next Transitional Housing Meeting is May 6th 10am at PJ's Place.
- The next meeting of the Drug Court Team is April 28th. Brody Good Drug Court Coordinator stated that the ICIJA ARI grant application was submitted. The grant will cover the startup costs related to establishing a Drug Court. He said it may take up to a couple of months to hear back.
- Free Narcan (Naloxone) training for all community members will be held at Rural Grace Food Pantry in Murdock on May 22nd starting at 3pm.

Opioid Settlement Funds

- Fentanyl test kits are available at our free Narcan (Naloxone) sites. There are also some gas gift cards, Dial a Ride tokens, cell phones/phone cards, and some recovery books available. If you need any of these items please let Lyndsey or Kandis know.

STYLE Group (Strength Through Your Lived Experience)

The group is open to anyone for support, encouragement, and to help plan community activities. People may be or have been impacted by different lived experiences so please feel free to come to this group and learn more. All are welcome! Next meeting is on **May 19st** at 6 pm location tbd.

Navigator Community Group

- Community education group will be **Thursdays at Home Town Grounds Coffee & Events in Tuscola from Noon-1:00 pm in person or zoom**. All are welcome!

Upcoming Douglas County ROSC Council hosted or partnered events

- **Free Laundry** event in Arcola is happening May 16th from 10am -Noon or until funds are out
- Douglas County ROSC Council is co-hosting the **Job Fair** at the Arcola Community Center on April 29th from 12pm-2pm.
- June 6th **Health and Happiness Hangout** in Villa Grove at Community Rec Center. Free and open to everyone.

Next Council Meeting: May 27th 2026 starting at 10 am located at 209 E Van Allen Tuscola and on Zoom.