

Meeting location: Zoom and Case-Halstead Library.



Stigma Reduction Workgroup Minutes

Thursday, September 10th, 2026

Attendance: Sheridan Jordan, Alexa Plant, Greg Santoni, Jessica Palazzolo, Kelly Gaskill, Kurt Dunbar, Anjela Briones, Brett Nollman

Events and Campaigns:

Overdose Awareness Day – Aug 31st

Recap of Overdose Awareness Day Event, extremely successful 120 people in attendance, compared to previous years this was a great improvement in attendance
Future events we want to send reminders to media entities to try and draw more involvement before, and after

Discussed creating a better schedule of events for the night and possibly rehearsals of transitions to ensure they are smooth and nothing gets skipped

Ani discussed sharing more about the event earlier to try and continue to draw larger crowds

Inviting All Hours of Love in this event next year & future events

WJBD and Breese Journal Covered the event!

Recovery/Suicide Prevention Awareness Month Campaign (Sept.)

- **Recovery Month Campaign on social media - Alexa will be creating a presentation of the campaign's analytics so far**
 - **Recovery Stories Campaign**
 - **Highlight organization/entity/facility in the area that focuses on recovery efforts.**
 - Treatment providers, Recovery Supports, Healthcare, Faith Communities,
 - Potential Highlights
 1. Celebrate Recovery Centralia
 2. Marshmallows Hope
 3. IRC
 4. Amy Center
 5. HSHS St. Joseph
 6. SAFE
 7. BCMW
 8. Have room for 2-4 more orgs

Grateful For Recovery Event

The group discussed hosting an event in November, called Grateful for Recovery, the goal will be for the event to feature a free community meal, testimonies, gratitude wall, resource tables, activities for kids, potentially poetry readings, music, or recovery focused arts. The group agreed that the event should not be on the weekend, it should be a weekday, early evening, we will still need to work on a good location, along with how food for the event will be handled – potentially sponsored meal, or potluck style.

In December we can start working on planning Love Recovery

Next Meeting is at Case-Halstead Library & Zoom on October 8th at 3:30pm.