

Date: Tuesday, September 1st, 2026

Time: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Location: Zoom Only

Facilitator: Skylar Miller, Coles County ROSC Council Coordinator

Attendees:

Skylar Miller (Coles County ROSC Council Coordinator), **Taylor Jones** (Coles County ROSC Council Recovery Navigator), **Toni Randall** (Region 4 Statewide ROSC Technical Assistant), **Andy Brandenburg** (Community Outreach and Recovery Support Coordinator), **Carlee Parks** (SAIL), **Kristin Davis** (Region 4 Substance Use Prevention Integration Coordinator), **LaSienna Burton** (CUPHD Prevention Specialist), **Liz Pearson** (Prevail), **Mariah Witmer** (HOPE Domestic Violence Educator), **Brenna Hoke** (BRIDGE Doula In-Training, CPRS), **Angie Hunt** (Birth to Five)

Welcome & Introductions

Skylar welcomed attendees. During introductions, Skylar got everyone warmed up with the ice breaker question which was: How do you plan on celebrating recovery month?

Spotlight Speaker

Brenna Hoke, a doula-in-training and Certified Peer Recovery Specialist for the Hour House Bridge Program, joined the meeting to share her personal journey of recovery in recognition of Recovery Month. Brenna spoke openly about her experiences with substance use, domestic violence, involvement with CPS, and the challenges and triumphs she experienced after entering a recovery program, including returning to relapse. She shared her experiences and reflected on the journey that has shaped her passion for supporting others today, as well as the life she has built in recovery.

Everyone in attendance expressed their gratitude to Brenna for her courage, vulnerability, and willingness to share her story. Several attendees shared that they were proud of her and recognized how far she has come in her recovery journey.

Updates

Recovery Navigator, Taylor Jones, will be holding ROSC Recovery Education Groups at Jackson Avenue Coffee in Charleston from 10am to 11am, every Monday in the month of September (Excluding the 7th, Labor Day). She will also be holding groups from 3pm to 4pm every Thursday at Milk & Honey Coffee House in Mattoon. We are trying this approach to see if we can encourage attendance from people who may already be at the coffee shops.

Skylar will send an update to the council about our recent Ride into Recovery and Housing Committee Meetings because we ran out of time today.

Events

[Transportation & Housing Committee Meeting](#)

The next committee meetings will take place at the Charleston Carnegie Public Library from 12:00 to 1:00pm on September 14th, 2026 in the Genealogy Room.

Candlelight Vigil

The 5th Annual Overdose Awareness Candlelight Vigil went beautifully. Skylar stated that she thinks the speaker did a fabulous job covering so many different pieces of information that the community needed to hear.

Light Up Purple

Skylar said that the ROSC gave away every single purple light bulb! She is waiting for pictures from community members.

Hike to Recovery

September 26th- The Coles County ROSC Council is partnering with the Edgar County ROSC Council to do their second Hike to Recovery. There will be a hike at Fox Ridge in Charleston at 2:00pm, with music therapy and yoga to follow.

Hope & Harvest Fest

September 26th- The Coles County ROSC will have a table at the Salvation Army in Mattoon at 10:00am at the Hope and Harvest Fest.

Sunflower Stroll

October 10th- An informational walk on October 10th from 4pm to 7pm at the Linder Sports Complex in Charleston. A flyer and website will be released very soon! There will be all sorts of exhibitors and resource tables.

Next Steps & Closing

Skylar will be sending any information missed during our meeting out with the approved meeting minutes.

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Where to find past meeting minutes: <https://www.govst.edu/ROSC-GSU/ROSCC>

Coles County ROSC Council Facebook Page:



Next Coles County ROSC Council Meeting**

Date: Monday, October 5th, 2026

Time: 12:00pm to 1:00pm

Where: Life Span Center & via Zoom