



Meeting Minutes

Meeting Details

Council Name	FWRC		
Date	9.16.26	Time	9a-10a
Location	Google Meet: meet.google.com/kct-ctzi-ihn		
FWRC Vision	To build and sustain a vibrant recovery community empowered by intentional and unified stakeholders, allies, and those in or seeking recovery.		
FWRC Mission	We will develop partnerships that are rich and diverse in the communities we serve, to provide a flexible system of services that is responsive to multiple pathways of recovery. Through education, we can reduce the stigma surrounding substance use and other co-occurring disorders.		

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Meeting Topics

#	Topic	Discussion Notes / Updates
1	Welcome & Introductions	Recognition of Recovery Month. Icebreaker: What does recovery mean to you?
2	Recovery Capital & Community Voice	The Council discussed recovery capital and how personal, social, and community resources can help individuals initiate and sustain recovery. A brief educational video was shared to introduce the concept. During the ice breaker, members shared what recovery means to them, identifying faith, MAT/MOUD, treatment providers such as Gateway Rehabilitation Center, supportive relationships,

		<p>and recovery tools as important pathways. Members emphasized that pathways to recovery are not competing and that individuals may benefit from multiple supports.</p> <p>The Council discussed how ROSC can increase community recovery capital by reducing stigma, increasing awareness, improving access to resources, and making recovery more visible and socially accepted. Members identified surveys, outreach, social media, polls, resource guides, and community partnerships as ways FWRC can strengthen recovery capital.</p> <p>The Council reviewed the importance of the FWRC Community Survey in identifying community needs, service gaps, and opportunities for future solutions. Members discussed the need to hear from populations that may be underrepresented, including adults 65+, youth under 15, individuals with disabilities, people experiencing homelessness, and individuals currently experiencing substance use or co-occurring disorders.</p> <p>Potential outreach partners discussed included the Brick Program through SIRAC, Shawnee Alliance, and SIYEN. Members emphasized the importance of asking people with lived experience what is and is not working within the current system and ensuring recovery efforts remain community centered.</p> <p>The Council also discussed updating the FWRC Resource Guide, recognizing its value in connecting individuals and organizations to available services. The existing guide from 2025 will need to be reviewed and updated to ensure resources are current and gaps are addressed.</p> <p>Survey incentives, including potential stipends, were discussed as a way to increase participation, while members also noted the importance of ensuring incentives or focus-group approaches do not unintentionally influence responses. Overall, the discussion reinforced FWRC's role in connecting people to resources, identifying gaps, reducing stigma, amplifying community voice, and building recovery capital across Franklin and Williamson Counties.</p>
3	Community Partner Updates / Events	<p><u>Recovery Month Events:</u></p> <p>T.A.T. BBQ-(Marion) - 9.21.26 11-2 PM</p> <p>(C'dale) -9.23.26 11-2 PM</p> <p>(Benton) -9.18.26 1-3 PM</p>

	<p>PJRC Bowling Event – 9.24.26 6-8 PM</p> <p>SIRN - Walk for Recovery – 9.24.26 PM</p> <p>Centerstone's 5K Run – 9.26.26 7-10 AM</p> <p>Centerstone's Rooted in Recovery – 9.30.26 -2 PM</p>

Action Items / Next Steps

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Next Meeting Date

Next Meeting Date	<p>10.28.26 @ 9AM - Virtual</p> <p>Google Meet: meet.google.com/kct-ctzi-ihn</p> 
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