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STL
CRUSH

Community Resources
United to Stop Heroin



YOU ARE NOT ALONE EVENT

MCRSP hosted a vendor booth alongside 30 other community resource providers at the STL Community Resources United to Stop Heroin (CRUSH) You Are Not Alone event on Saturday, April 20, 2024, at the Urban League Ferguson Empowerment Center in Ferguson, MO. With an impressive turnout of over a hundred participants, the event not only drew a significant crowd, but also served as a platform for speakers to share their powerful recovery stories. Attendees were treated to a complimentary lunch and had the opportunity to receive giveaways.

MATCP CONFERENCE

The 26th annual Missouri Treatment Court (MATCP) conference was held on

April 10-12, 2024, in Branson, MO, attracting over 900 attendees. MCRSP hosted a booth, addressing inquiries about recovery services and housing. The conference offered training sessions covering topics from emerging drug usage trends to the social model of recovery. Keynote speakers included Scott Breedlove, Mark McDonald, Stan Archie, and Paul Carey, with retired NBA star and Herren Project founder, Chris Herren.





AWARDS & RECONGITION

Sisters In Christ, a proud member of MCRSP, recently received recognition from two national sororities. At the 94th Regional Conference of the *Magnificent Mid-Western Region of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated Public Program* on March 14th, they were honored with the *Soaring to Greater Heights of Service* and *Sisterhood Award* for their exceptional community service. Additionally, the *Kansas City, Missouri Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.* presented Carolyn Whitney with the *2024 Women of Courage Award* for her exemplary dedication to nonprofit service and leadership within the community.

BOARD RETREAT

The MCRSP Board of Directors convened for a professional development retreat on April 26th at the Courtyard Marriott. This strategic gathering provided an invaluable opportunity for the board members to engage in focused discussions and refine their leadership skills.

SEEKING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MCRSP, is actively seeking an Executive Director. The Search Task Force (STF) leading this effort is comprised of MCRSP Coalition Leadership members; representation from the Missouri Department of Mental Health/Behavioral Health Division; Representation from the Missouri Behavioral Health Council; and other state RSS Stakeholders. Reporting to the MCRSP Executive Board of Directors, the Executive Director will oversee the operations of MCRSP staff and the state-wide coalition.

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MINI-GRANTS

The Missouri Coalition of Recovery Support Providers awarded \$4,500 in funding this month to support community outreach initiatives. With \$8,000 still available before the fiscal year ends, there's ample opportunity for your organization to apply for a grant. Simply visit our website at: www.mcrsp.org/mini-grant-program-2/ to review the application criteria.



MINI-GRANT FUNDED EVENTS

The Missouri Coalition of Recovery Support Providers receives \$30,000 annually from the Missouri Department of Mental Health to support community organizations in hosting local events that raise awareness about substance use, breaking the stigma, and connecting individuals to local resources.

MoNetwork

MoNetwork's Open Mic Night at the Recovery Community Center proved to be well-received, drawing a gathering of 20 participants. The atmosphere was electric as individuals from all walks of life came together to showcase their talents and support one another on their journey to recovery. The highlight of the evening was the delicious taco bar, sponsored by MCRSP.



The Recovery Open Mic Paint Night was a resounding success, drawing in a crowd of 45-50 individuals. Attendees enjoyed painting while sharing their stories in a safe and sober environment for those in recovery. Attendees were given the opportunity to express themselves on canvas, showcase their talents during live open mic performances, and enjoy a selection of food, drinks, and popcorn.

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