Recovery Community Organizations
A Look at Ohio
Objectives

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Recovery
Community Organizations
What is an RCO?

- Organizations that are independent, nonprofit, led and governed by people in recovery, family members, friends, and allies

- Core Principles
  - Recovery Vision
  - Authenticity of Voice
  - Accountability to the Recovery Community

- Core Strategies
  - Public Awareness and Education
  - Advocacy
  - Peer Based and other recovery support services and activities
What is an RCO?

- In addition...

- RCO’s:
  - Develop Leaders
  - Advocates for meaningful representation and voice
  - Assess needs
  - Assess strengths, assets and resources
  - Educate the public, policy makers, and service providers
  - Develop human and fiscal resources
  - Support research
RCO’s in Ohio
OCAAR developed and administered a needs assessment for RCO’s to quantify the current state of these needed organizations.

- 13 organizations were contacted, with 11 responding.
- There was a response rate of 85%
Interesting Facts

- 55% reported having a physical location
- Average # full-time staff members: 4.6
- Average # part-time staff members: 1.1
- Average # volunteers: 15.8
- *The average # of people served in a day: 30.5*
Referrals

- 83% Referrals from other agencies
- 67% Referrals from partner agencies
- 100% Word of Mouth
- 83% from Internet
Populations Served

- 100% of respondents say they currently serve Caucasians
- 83% of respondents say they currently serve African Americans
- 17% of respondents say they currently serve American Indians or Alaskan Natives
- 17% of respondents say they currently serve Asians
- 17% of respondents say they currently serve Native Hawaiians or Pacific Islander

- 100% of respondents say they currently serve Individuals in Recovery
- 100% of respondents say they currently serve Family Members
- 67% of respondents say they currently serve Allies
- 83% of respondents say they currently serve Mental Health
Affiliations of Recovery Supports of Program Participants

- 67% say program participants utilize 12 Step (AA, NA< Al-Anon, etc.)
- 50% say program participants utilize Celebrate Recovery (Or other religious groups)
- 67% say program participants utilize SMART Recovery
- 50% say program participants utilize Drug Court
- 50% say program participants utilize Traditional Treatment
- 83% are Unaffiliated with any specific recovery pathway
It was reported that a majority of these organizations spent a great deal of time on administrative tasks. The responses included the following:

- 80%
- 30 hours per month
- 80 hours per month
- 75%
Recovery Community Organization – Statewide Network

- Purpose Statement
  - The purpose of the statewide RCO network is to promote skills development, address the needs of RCOs and peer support specialists, and create a unified voice in order to enhance long-term sustainability of RCOs.
Top Three Areas of Interest

- Fundraising
- Human Resources and Staffing
- Board Development
Membership to RCO Network

- Membership is open to all peer ran organizations that fit the definition of an RCO.
- Monthly webinars
- Monthly updates
- Access to up-to-date information
What do we do with the Network?

- All content is completely driven by the RCO Network
- We are a facilitator
- Host monthly webinars
- Access to RCO resource drive
- One stop shop for up-to-date information
Calendar of Events

- June - Peer Support Update with OHMAS
- July - Board Governance Webinar
- September - Board Governance Webinar
- September - BH Redesign update with OHMAS
- October - Board Governance Webinar
- November - Board Governance Webinar - Staff and Board
- December - End of Year Celebration Webinar
- January - Fundraising Webinar
- February - Fundraising Webinar
- March - Fundraising Webinar
- April - HR and Staffing Webinar
- April - Next Year State Update and Priorities
- May - HR and Staffing Webinar
- June - HR and Staffing Webinar
- July - Year End Wrap Up and Following Year Planning
Feedback and Questions