

Community-Based Recovery Support Services (CBRSS)

A Proven, Cost-Effective Strategy That Protects Taxpayer Dollars

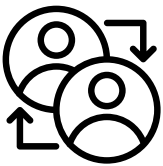
Community-based recovery support services such as recovery housing, peer-led support, and employment-focused programs provide structure, accountability, and real-world tools that help individuals maintain long-term recovery from substance use disorders. These services reduce dependence on taxpayer-funded systems, improve public safety, and promote workforce readiness.

What are Community-Based Recovery Support Services?



Recovery Community Organizations (RCO) & Recovery Community Centers (RCC)

- **Locally-Led and Community-Focused:** Run by people in recovery, not bureaucracy.
- **Efficient Resource Hubs:** Connect people to jobs, housing, and support.
- **Stretch Dollars Further:** Use volunteers and partnerships to maximize impact.



Peer Support

- **Promotes Personal Responsibility:** Connects people with mentors who've succeeded in recovery.
- **Reduces Recidivism & Relapse:** Fewer ER visits, arrests, and system costs.
- **Low-Cost, High-Impact:** Delivers results without heavy government spending.



Recovery Housing

- **Stable, Structured Environment:** Supports sobriety, work ethic, and independence.
- **Improves Safety & Lowers Costs:** Fewer hospitalizations and justice system returns.
- **Smart Investment:** Saves over \$200K per success compared to treatment alone.



Workforce Development

- **Restores Economic Contribution:** Helps individuals re-enter the job market.
- **Boosts Tax Revenue:** Each success generates \$10K in taxes, avoids \$50K in costs.
- **Reduces Public Dependency:** Skills training leads to long-term self-sufficiency.

Recovery support services are a sound, evidence-based investment. They promote public safety, strengthen families, lower taxpayer burdens, and help Americans return to the workforce. These programs align with principles of accountability, efficiency, and limited government through reduced long-term system reliance.

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Fiscal Efficiency in Action

Scenario	Investment per Person	Long-term Success Rate	Cost per Success	Public Benefit per Success*	Net Cost to Taxpayers
Treatment Only	\$32,500	1 in 10	\$325,000	\$60,000	\$265,000
Treatment + Recovery Housing (CBRSS)	\$65,000	6 in 10	\$108,333	\$60,000	\$48,333

*A person who achieves sustained recovery often generates \$10,000 per year in tax revenue and saves the state an estimated \$50,000 annually in avoided costs (healthcare, incarceration, unemployment).

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Key Takeaway: Save \$216,667 Per Successful Outcome

By including community-based recovery support infrastructure, we cut government spending by over \$200,000 per successful recovery—all while improving public health and safety, and promoting workforce readiness.

Why This Matters to Taxpayers

- **Better Return on Investment:** Spending \$65,000 instead of \$32,500 per person results in 6x more successful recoveries.
- **Reduced Recidivism and Emergency Use:** Fewer ER visits, jail stays, and repeat treatments.^{1,2}
- **Stronger Workforce Participation:** People in structured recovery environments re-enter the workforce and pay taxes.

Conservative Values in Action

- ✓ **Personal Responsibility:** CBRSS helps individuals take control of their recovery
- ✓ **Smaller Long-Term Government Burden:** More success = less dependency
- ✓ **Stronger Communities:** Productive citizens, safer streets, lower costs

CBRSS is a fiscally conservative solution that works.

It reduces government waste, improves public outcomes, and ensures tax dollars are spent wisely.