

**Medina County ADAMH Board** 

PRESS RELEASE

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## Medina County ADAMH Board Announces Expansion of Hope Recovery Community Property

The Medina County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Board (ADAMH) is very pleased to announce the expansion of our property located at 200 Highland Drive, which is the home of Hope Recovery Community (HRC), who operates a Recovery Community Organization (RCO) that provides programming throughout Medina County.

Phillip Titterington, the Executive Director of the Medina County ADAMH Board stated "we are proud to be supporters of the work being done by Hope Recovery Community (HRC) to help those seek multiple pathways to recovery. HRC has built up a tremendous base and they provide over 30 meetings and programs each week. In partnership with the ADAMH Board, HRC has expanded into physical spaces in Brunswick and in Wadsworth. They are also providing recovery supports and programming at the farm located at the Brown-Trump Homestead where Cathy's House is providing recovery housing."

The Hope Recovery Community initiative started as a movement in the recovery community in 2018 and they rapidly grew and gained support throughout the county. HRC is open 365 days per year in order to provide support during holidays, evenings and weekends. In addition to numerous recovery meetings and recovery support, they provide family peer support, assist individuals with locating detox, residential treatment and recovery housing, run a Recovery Friendly Workplace Program, and host a weekly Saturday night dinner for individuals to connect and network. HRC provides recreation such as a softball team, bowling league and is one of two sober Browns Backer groups in Ohio.

A Recovery Community Organization (RCO) is an independent, non-profit organization led and governed by representatives of local communities of recovery. These organizations organize recovery-focused policy advocacy activities, carry out recovery-focused community education and outreach programs, and/or provide peer-based recovery support services. Eighty percent of Hope Recovery Community's Board of Directors and 70% of their Advisory Council is made up of individuals in recovery. Stefanie Robinson, also in recovery, is the Executive Director of this new RCO. Ms. Robinson stated "the recovery community is stronger than ever in Medina County. Hope Recovery Community is seeing the healing, hope, and power of recovery transform individuals, families, neighborhoods and ultimately communities. The expansion of Hope Recovery Community is impacting lives and making Medina County a better place to live today, and is also laying the foundation for our children and our children's children to live in a community that no longer fears addiction...but instead embraces recovery!"

To learn more about the Hope Recovery Community, visit <u>www.hoperecoverycommunity.org</u>. Additional local resource information can be found at <u>www.medinamentalhealth.com</u>.

If you are in need of immediate support, contact the 24/7 Crisis and Behavioral Helpline at 330-725-9195.