



## Marion County Opioid Abatement Council

"Making a Difference for each one."

### MARION COUNTY OPIOID ABATEMENT COUNCIL INFORMATION

#### Background:

Extensive damage and loss of life caused by the opioid crisis was brought on by the unethical and over-prescribing of opioid medications. The state of Tennessee is receiving over \$1 billion from large corporations in settlement funds over an 18 year period. Marion County has been allocated a portion of these funds, which will be received in annual payments. The County has established the Marion County Opioid Abatement Council to oversee the spending of these funds to ensure they are used to remediate the opioid crisis and save lives.

The Marion County Opioid Abatement Council consists of community members who have life experience or professional expertise in the areas of substance use, addiction, and recovery. These individuals are appointed by the Mayor of Marion County. The Council serves to oversee opioid abatement funds, identify spending priorities, make recommendations to the Marion County Board of Commissioners, and track approved projects to remediate the opioid crisis locally. Spending priorities and related projects proposed by the Council must align with a list of evidence-based strategies approved by Tennessee's Opioid Abatement Council, known as Exhibit E. These core strategies include investing in prevention, treatment, recovery, harm reduction, and/or related research. To learn more about these approved strategies and allowable uses of settlement funds, review Exhibit E [here](#).

## Our Inspiration:

During the initial meeting of the Marion County Opioid Abatement Council, the members were inspired by these words of Mayor David Jackson, “ If one life is saved as a result of this money, it will be worth it”. Due to those words, the Council often reflects on [The Starfish Story](#), (hyperlink the Starfish Story) which inspires us to make a difference for each one suffering due to the opioid epidemic.

## Our Mission:

The Marion County Opioid Abatement Council serves to advise the Marion County Board of Commissioners to effectively, fairly, and transparently spend opioid abatement funds awarded to the county. The Council will identify spending priorities, make recommendations, and track approved projects focused on prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery strategies to overcome opioid and substance use disorder.

## Our Vision:

We envision Marion County as a community equipped with services and resources to mitigate the impact of the opioid crisis, stop opioid and substance use disorder stigma, improve health outcomes and save lives.

## Council Members:

Debbie Matthews, Chair  
Randall Pesnell, Vice Chair  
Alyson Riley, Secretary  
Mark O’Leary

Dr. Cari Beth Paige  
Beth Raulston  
Steve Strain

## Council Consultants:

Lynn Cooper, Marion County Schools  
Sarah McCall, Substance Misuse and Addiction Resource for Tennessee (SMART)  
Rachel Swafford, Tennessee Department of Health (TDOH)

## Council Meeting Information:

\*Meetings are held at the Marion County Courthouse (1 Courthouse Square, Jasper, TN 37347).

\*Meetings are typically held quarterly (January, April, July, & October). Check the county calendar for specific dates and times.

<https://marioncountyttn.net/calendar>

\*Meeting Agenda and Minutes are available upon request. For more information, contact [marioncountyopioidcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:marioncountyopioidcouncil@gmail.com)

*All of the resources listed are solely for informational and educational purposes. This content is in no way an endorsement of any ideas/organizations/agencies/treatment or a substitute for professional medical advice.*

## MARION COUNTY/REGIONAL TREATMENT & RECOVERY RESOURCES

### Hotlines & Safe Stations

- Medical Emergency: 911
- Suicide and Crisis: 988 (text or call)
- Drug Abuse Helpline: 1-800-662-4357
- Treatment Referral and Information: 1-800-HELP (4357)
- Never Use Alone: 877-696-1996
- [Safe Stations Provide Immediate In- Person Help](https://www.hccoalition.org/safe-stations-hamilton-county-tn) <https://www.hccoalition.org/safe-stations-hamilton-county-tn>

### Family Support

#### Parents Of Addicted Loved Ones (PAL)

- Description: Support group for parents with adult children dealing with substance use disorder
- Address: Kimball Baptist Church, 1500 Main Street, Kimball, TN 37347
- Hours: Thursday, 6:00pm - 7:30pm
- Webpage: [PAL](https://palgroup.org/) <https://palgroup.org/>
- Contact: Debbie @ (423) 718-3203

#### Marion County Alanon

- Address: 106 TN-150, Jasper, TN 37347
- Hours: Thursday, 7:00 pm
- Webpage: [Alanon](https://www.al-anonchattanooga.com) <https://www.al-anonchattanooga.com>
- Contact: Jaime Q @ (423) 414-8580

#### Hamilton County Coalition

- [Family Care Program](https://www.hccoalition.org/hccoalition-family-care-program) <https://www.hccoalition.org/hccoalition-family-care-program>
- [Parent Resources](https://www.hccoalition.org/parent-resources) <https://www.hccoalition.org/parent-resources>

#### Council For Alcohol And Drug Abuse Services (CADAS)

- [Family Way](https://www.cadas.org/family-way-2/) <https://www.cadas.org/family-way-2/>

## Harm Reduction

### Marion County Health Department

- Description: Free opioid overdose reversal kits and training – naloxone (Narcan®)
- Address: 110 Gamble Lane, Jasper, TN 37347
- Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00am – 4:30pm
- Contact: (423) 942-2238

### Regional Overdose Prevention Specialists

- Description: Free opioid overdose prevention education & naloxone kits
- Webpage: [ROPS](https://www.tn.gov/behavioral-health/substance-abuse-services/prevention/rops.html) <https://www.tn.gov/behavioral-health/substance-abuse-services/prevention/rops.html>
- Regional ROPS Coordinators & Contact Info:
  - Debra Clark – [debra.clark@hccoalition.org](mailto:debra.clark@hccoalition.org). (423) 316-0283

### STEP TN

- Description: Syringe trade and exchange program
- Address: 4001 Roseville Blvd., Chattanooga, TN. 37407
- Webpage: [Step TN](https://cempa.org/stepn/) <https://cempa.org/stepn/>
- Contact: (423) 834-7374

### Drug Take Back Locations

[\\*Find A Location Near You](https://www.fda.gov/drugs/disposal-unused-medicines-what-you-should-know/drug-disposal-drug-take-back-locations) <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/disposal-unused-medicines-what-you-should-know/drug-disposal-drug-take-back-locations>

## Recovery Community Centers

### **The Cottage**

- Description: peer support, life skills education, and social events
- Address: 112 College Street, Jasper, TN 37347
- Webpage: [The Cottage](https://www.tnpathfinder.org/view/provider/2425/the-cottage-peer-support-center-volunteer-behavioral-health-care-system) <https://www.tnpathfinder.org/view/provider/2425/the-cottage-peer-support-center-volunteer-behavioral-health-care-system>
- Phone: (423) 942-9177

### **Life Recovery Center**

- Description: Skills classes, peer support, job search assistance, on-line access, counseling services, music & art therapy, onsite showers and laundry facilities, hot meals and transportation -OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
- Executive Director: Alyson Riley
- Address: 300 Cornerstone Drive, Jasper, TN 37347
- Hours: Tuesday, Friday & Saturday 10am-4pm
- Contact: Shana Kennemore @ (423) 681-6916

## Recovery Meetings

### **Alcoholics Anonymous Marion County Group**

- Address: 106 TN-150, Jasper, TN 37347
- Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 7:00pm; Sunday, 6:00pm
- Webpage: [AA Marion County Group](https://chattanooga-aa.com/meetings/marion-county-group-3/) <https://chattanooga-aa.com/meetings/marion-county-group-3/>
- Contact: Arnie @ (941) 713-2594

### **Alcoholics Anonymous Richard City Group**

- Address: 1800 Hamilton Avenue, South Pittsburg, TN 37380
- Hours: Wednesday, 7:00pm
- Webpage: [AA Information](https://www.aa.org) <https://www.aa.org>
- Contact: Glenn @ (423) 486-4749

### **Jasper Narcotics Anonymous Group**

- Address: 4896 Main Street Suite 108, Jasper, TN 37347
- Hours: Wednesday & Friday, 6:30pm
- Website: [NA Information](https://na.org) <https://na.org>
- Contact: Randle @ (423) 726-1113

### **Celebrate Recovery**

- Description: Celebrate Recovery (CR) is a Christ-centered program that helps find freedom from the struggles of addiction, hurts, habits, and hangups.
- No Celebrate Recovery groups are currently meeting in Marion County. Several meetings are being held within a 15 - 20 mile radius of Marion County. To find a convenient location, click on this link: [locator.crgroups.info](https://locator.crgroups.info) https://locator.crgroups.info/

## **Recovery Support Services**

### **Champion Recovery Community**

- Description: Faith-based support serving women in recovery from crisis through mentoring, community re-entry, skills development, and job training.
- Executive Director: Alyson Riley
- Address: 108 W 3rd Street, Jasper, TN 37347
- Hours: Monday, 5:00 - 8:00pm @ Jasper First Baptist Church, 108 W 3rd Street, Jasper, TN 37347; Thursday, 11am-2pm @ Whitwell Church of Christ, 100 E Kansas Avenue, Whitwell, TN 37397
- Webpage: [Champion Recovery Community](https://championrecoverycommunity.com/) https://championrecoverycommunity.com/
- Contact: Alyson @ (423) 664-3288. E-mail: [alysonr.ministry@gmail.com](mailto:alysonr.ministry@gmail.com)

### **Lifeline Peer Project**

- Description: Peer support, connection to resources & treatment
- Webpage: [Lifeline Peer Project](https://www.tn.gov/behavioral-health/substance-abuse-services/treatment---recovery/treatment---recovery/lifeline-peer-project.html) https://www.tn.gov/behavioral-health/substance-abuse-services/treatment---recovery/treatment---recovery/lifeline-peer-project.html

### **Forensic Social Services**

- Description: Development of re-entry plans for individuals incarcerated in the Marion County jail. Service provided upon referral from a Public Defender.
- Forensic Social Worker: Daniel Krell, LMSW/TNCSA
- Address: 1 Oak Avenue, Jasper, TN 37347
- Contact: Daniel @ (423) 635-7183. E-mail: [daniel.Krell2@tn.gov](mailto:daniel.Krell2@tn.gov)

### **Criminal Justice Liaison Program**

- Description: Assists local jails and the court system with the development of release plans to support successful community integration of justice involved individuals with substance use disorder and/ or mental illness.
- Agency: Mental Health Cooperative
- Marion County Liaison: Bailee Cornwall, CJL
- Address: 1203 Memorial Blvd. E Murfreesboro, TN 37130
- Website: Criminal Justice Liaison Program <https://www.tn.gov/behavioral-health/substance-abuse-services/criminal-justice-services/cjl.html>
- Contact: Bailee@ (615) 687-4699 E-mail: [bailee.cornwell@mhc-tn.org](mailto:bailee.cornwell@mhc-tn.org)

## **Regional Treatment Services**

### **Blue Monarch**

- Description: Faith-based residential treatment, sober living and recovery services for women & children
- Address: Monteagle, TN 37356
- Webpage: [Blue Monarch](https://www.blumonarch.org) <https://www.blumonarch.org>
- Phone: (931) 924-8900

### **Buffalo Valley Inc.**

- Description: Alcohol & Drug Recovery Program designed as a round- the-clock housing environment of treatment for chronic substance abuse.
- Address: 501 Park Avenue South, Hohenwald, TN 38462
- Webpage: [Buffalo Valley](https://www.buffalovalley.org) <https://www.buffalovalley.org>
- Phone: (931) 796-5427

### **CADAS**

- Description: Comprehensive treatment, prevention, & educational services to the chemically dependent, their families and the community
- Address: 207 Spears Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37405
- Webpage: [CADAS](https://www.cadas.org) <https://www.cadas.org>
- Phone: (423) 756-7644

### **McNabb Center**

- Description: Full range of mental health care, substance use treatment, and social and victim services
- Address: 601 Cumberland Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37404
- Webpage: [McNabb Center](https://mcnabbcenter.org/about/) <https://mcnabbcenter.org/about/>
- Phone: (423) 266-6751

### **The Mental Health Cooperative**

- Description: Mental health care, substance use treatment & social services for children & adults; services incarcerated individuals preparing for re-entry (assessments, brief interventions, linkage to care)
- Address: 801 North Holtzclaw Avenue, Suite 101, Chattanooga, TN 37404
- Webpage: [Mental Health Cooperative](https://www.mhc-tn.org/about-us/) <https://www.mhc-tn.org/about-us/>
- Phone: (423) 697-5953

### **Mosaic Recovery Center**

- Description: The Mosaic Center is on mission to see men experience the fullness of freedom from addiction through the power of Jesus Christ.
- Address: 1958 Street Route 50 Pelham, TN. 37366
- Website: <https://www.wearemosaicrecoverycenter.com/copy-of-home>

### **Renew**

- Description: Renew is a faith-based ministry that is designed to restore men and women to the place of dignity and contribution in society that God designed them to have.
- Address: 3415 Broad Street Chattanooga, TN 37409
- Website: [Renew](https://www.calvarychatt.com/renew) <https://www.calvarychatt.com/renew>

### **Volunteer Behavioral Health**

- Description: Outpatient counseling, evaluation services, medication management, care management, intensive outpatient programs & crisis services to treat substance use disorder and co-occurring mental health disorders
- Address: 215 Hickman Road, Jasper, TN 37347
- Webpage: [Volunteer Behavioral Health](https://www.vbhcs.org/locations/jasper/) <https://www.vbhcs.org/locations/jasper/>
- Phone: (423) 942-3961

### **Women at the Well Ministries**

- Description: A faith based ministry directed to women with life controlling problems, such as drug and alcohol addictions, depression, and helplessness.
- Address: 881 Co Rd 655, Athens, TN. 37303
- Website: [Women at the Well](https://womenatthewell.com) <https://womenatthewell.com>



- Phone: (423) 745-0010

### **More Treatment Options**

<https://www.findhelpnow.org/tn>

## **Miscellaneous Wraparound Services**

### **Dental**

[Smiles](https://www.smilesfreedental.org) <https://www.smilesfreedental.org>

### **Legal**

[laet](http://www.laet.org) <http://www.laet.org>

### **Medical**

[ramusa](https://www.ramusa.org) <https://www.ramusa.org>

[Project Access](http://www.setnproject.org) [www.setnproject.org](http://www.setnproject.org)

### **Housing & Energy**

[SETHRA](https://sethra.us/services/housing-energy) <https://sethra.us/services/housing-energy>

Amy Nunley @ (423) 949-2191 ext. 170

### **Permanent Supportive Housing**

Dillan Green @ (423) 443-6184

### **Transport**

[SETHRA](https://www.sethratransit.org/home) <https://www.sethratransit.org/home>

Christopher Dunn @ (423) 949-2191 ext.157

### **Food**

[Community Ministries Food Pantry](https://www.findhelp.org/marion-county-community-ministries-(mccm)--sequatchie-tn--food-pantry/6493020161835008?postal=37347). [https://www.findhelp.org/marion-county-community-ministries-\(mccm\)--sequatchie-tn--food-pantry/6493020161835008?postal=37347](https://www.findhelp.org/marion-county-community-ministries-(mccm)--sequatchie-tn--food-pantry/6493020161835008?postal=37347)

[Free and Reduced Cost Services](https://communitycompass.tn.gov/). <https://communitycompass.tn.gov/>

## FUNDING OPTIONS FOR TREATMENT

### Insurance

Private Insurance

[TennCare](https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/members-applicants/how-do-i-apply-for-tenncare.html) <https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/members-applicants/how-do-i-apply-for-tenncare.html>

[Medicare](https://www.medicare.gov) <https://www.medicare.gov>

[Military Insurance](https://www.tricare.mil) <https://www.tricare.mil>

### Justice Involved Funding

[Search Criminal Justice Treatment](https://www.tn.gov) <https://www.tn.gov>

### Grants & Scholarships

[Just One More Foundation Grants](https://www.justonemorefoundation.org) <https://www.justonemorefoundation.org>

[Marion County Opioid Abatement Council](https://marioncountyttn.net) <https://marioncountyttn.net>

[Search Various Payment Types](https://findhelpnow.org/tn) <https://findhelpnow.org/tn>

[Grants and Programs for Homelessness](https://www.samhsa.gov/homelessness-programs-resources/grant-programs-services) <https://www.samhsa.gov/homelessness-programs-resources/grant-programs-services>

## **Private-Pay**

Private pay or self-pay means that an individual or their family will use personal resources to cover costs and will not involve insurance providers.

## **STATE OF TENNESSEE RESOURCES**

<https://www.tn.gov/behavioral-health/substance-abuse-services.html>

<https://tntogether.com/resources/>

<https://smart.ips.tennessee.edu/>

<https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/pdo/pdo/data-dashboard.html>

<https://www.findhelpnow.org/tn>

<https://tncoalitions.org>

Legal

## **NATIONAL RESOURCES**

<https://www.samhsa.gov>

<https://www.shatterproof.org/our-work>

[dare.org](https://dare.org)

## **EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION**

[Everything You Think You Know About Addiction is Wrong](#)

[About the Disease of Addiction and Alcoholism, Part 1 - YouTube](#)

[About the Disease of Addiction and Alcoholism, Part 2 - YouTube](#)

[Pleasure Unwoven](#)

[Shaming the Sick: Substance Use and Stigma](#)

12 Step Program Explained

Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)

What is Substance Abuse Treatment? <https://store.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/sma14-4126.pdf>

Questions to Ask When Choosing a Rehab Facility (hyperlink questions document)

Substance Use Disorder Information ( hyperlink SUD Infographic)

## SUBSTANCE USE AWARENESS EVENTS CALENDAR

**January:** \*Dry January

**March:** \*National Drug & Alcohol Facts Week  
\*National Inhalants & Poisons Awareness Week

**April:** \*Alcohol Awareness Month  
\*National Drug Take-Back Day (Last Saturday)

**May:** \*Mental Health Awareness Month  
\*National Awareness Week  
\*World No Tobacco Day

**August:** \*International Overdose Awareness Day

**September:** \*National Recovery Month

**October:** \*National Substance Abuse Prevention Month  
\*Red Ribbon Week (raising awareness of the consequences of drug abuse)  
\*National Drug Take-Back Day ( Last Saturday)

**November:** \*National Addictions Awareness Week  
\*Great American Smokeout

## COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

<https://marioncountyttn.net/calendar>

