

WILKES RECOVERY REVOLUTION, INC.

# ANNUAL REPORT 2020





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# LETTER FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

From the Director:

I am Devin Lyall, founder and director of Wilkes Recovery Revolution.

My own journey through addiction taught me the value of grace and community, and thanks to your help we are providing that to those in need.

Last year was transformative for our organization, we were able to expand our peer support services and transitional housing to better meet the needs of our community. We were able to touch the lives of hundreds of individuals and become a part of their recovery journey. Going forward our mission remains the same: through the wisdom of lived experience, staff, volunteers, and programming, we will meet individuals where they are with love and compassion, and we will give them a second chance in life.

I'm humbled by the support we received since founding Wilkes Recovery Revolution, and by the vulnerability and selfless acts of generosity of donors who give hope to people you will never meet, and who ask for nothing in return. I am grateful to have your support, and I will always be inspired by your example.

Together we want to live in a world that's free of addiction, pain, and suffering, and thanks to you, we are working every day to restore hope, repair lives, and rebuild a sense of community where our best days are still ahead. I am excited about the future and our vision for 2020.

Sincerely,

Devin Lyall

Executive Director
Wilkes Recovery Revolution



# VISION/MISSION/PHILOSOPHY

**OUR MISSION:** 

Through the wisdom of lived experience Wilkes Recovery Revolution, Inc. is "Creating a community where recovery is possible through; Restoring Hope, Repairing Lives, and Rebuilding Community."

**OUR VISION:** 

That every person will find hope, strength, and a sense of meaningful purpose in their lives and community.

OUR PHILOSOPHY:

Recovery from addiction and mental illness is not only possible, but with support, opportunities, community, and education can be a reality.

Collaboration and Partnerships produce better viable solutions for individuals which in return becomes a catalyst of social change and strength in communities.

Individuals and Providers benefit from the perspective andknowledge that can only be obtained from those with lived experience in recovery who employ the evidence based practices of peer support.

## **PROGRAMS**

**PHASES TRANSITIONAL HOUSING:** Wilkes Recovery Revolution, Inc. offers safe and affordable housing for those entering recovery. We offer three facilities two male facilitates and one female facility. This peer driven program helps individuals build a foundation that will help them transition into independent living where to have the support to live a meaningful and productive life. Phase's transitional housing believes recovery is possible and serves as a catalyst for stability on their personal journey of recovery.

#### 2019 #S PHASES TRANSITIONAL HOUSING



43

Number of male clients served through Phases Transitional Housing



31

Number of female clients served through Phases Transitional Housing



/4

Total number of clients served through Phases Transitional Housing



100

Average number of days spent with us at Phases Transitional Housing



796

Longest number of days a client spent with us at Phases Transitional Housing.



29

Number of clients who completed a 90 day program Through Phases Transitional Housing



17

Number of clients who completed at least 6 months with us Through Phases Transitional Housing



y

Number of clients who completed 1 year or more with us Through Phases Transitional Housing



72

**Individuals Gained Employment** 

# **PROGRAMS**

**R3 PEER SERVICES:** Wilkes Recovery Revolution, Inc. employees North Carolina Certified Peer Support Specialist, who serve as peer navigators for anyone in our community battling Substance Use Disorder. Peer support is provided by people living in recovery who serve as mentors and partners that offer experience, strength, and hope in order for individuals to move through challenges and find meaningful purpose in their lives, Peer support services work as a bridge to link resources and help others find their voice in recovery. Peer Support offers mutuality to support others in finding their own strengths, voice, and path to recovery.

#### **2019 #'S: R3 PEER SERVICES #'S**



**71** 

Referrals to detox and/or treatment



103

Individuals served by peer support services



31

Assisted with independent housing



65

Individuals Linked to Medical Care



36

Individuals Gained or Regained Drivers License or Vehicle



**79** 

Utilized our Transportation Services

**HOPE WARRIORS:** This program serves as a catalyst for advocacy that aids in giving faces and voices to those in recovery in order to build confidence and live healthy and happy lives. We advocate for our clients to have opportunities to receive crisis assistance services such as; clothing, housing items, dental work, mental health services, counseling, access to treatment and/or detox, and other services that help them thrive in recovery. Another role of hope warriors is to put faces and voices to those in recovery and advocate for user friendly environments and employment that supports and serves as safe, supportive and non judgmental spaces in our community for those in recovery.

#### **HOPE WARRIORS #'S**



2

Community Events Hosted to raise awareness and/or treatment



16

Attended and Distributed information



**79** 

Overdose Kits Distributed

#### **HOPE WARRIORS EVENTS**

**Information Needed Here...** 



## **PROGRAMS**

**REVOLUTION THRIFT STORE:** Our Thrift Store serves as a work and volunteer program that is involved and run by those in recovery, peer support specialist, and recovery allies. The Store offers crisis assistance for individuals who are preparing for interviews, reintegrating into society, transitioning into housing, reunifying families structure, or recovering from trauma.

This program also serves as a way to build program revenue to support individuals in recovery. We offer meaningful work that aids to build workforce skills and empower individuals to be productive members of their community and society as a whole. The participation of volunteers serves as a way to involve members of the community in order to become a part of the recovery movement and support those in recovery.

#### 2019 #S REVOLUTION THRIFT STORE

\$ \$3,439.20	Amount of Revolution Thrift Vouches
\$ \$625	Amount of Goodwill Good Neighbor partnership funds distributed.
42	Participants and/or Volunteers



We would like to extend a special thank you to all of our donors who provided donations to Revolution Thrift Store, your donations not only helped raise funding for our programming but also went to individuals in recovery seeking crisis assistance-

**Thank You!** 

**NEW LEAF INITIATIVE:** Is a work program that supports those in our transitional housing programs, through Individuals in Recovery, and Recovery Allies that operate the program. New Leaf is a Nursery and Landscaping Program that provides specialized services and products to the community through a partnership with Finley Properties. New Leaf serves as a means to counteract Phases Transitional Housing Program cost, an environment to be productive, education and training in work ethics, and teaching work skills and individual traits that help individuals transition into other meaningful and gainful jobs. The programs connect those in

recovery, peer support specialists and recovery allies that create a sense of purpose and empower individuals in recovery to become contributing and productive members of their community and society as a whole.



# **2019 YEAR IN REVIEW**

First annual Luncheon at North Wilkesboro Presbyterian Church on May 15th, with over 50 In attendance. Joining Stakeholders and community members we discussed programs and services provided by our organization, provided education, and raised awareness on addiction and recovery.

3rd Annual Recovery Rally, on September 6th, 2019, we doubled in attendees at 400+ people.

Our Executive Director received the 2019 Great State Hero award by United Way, to be recognized as a community leader in providing crisis assistance to our community.

Our Executive Director was invited to serve on the Substance Use Advisory Council for the ARC (Appalachian Regional Commission) as a representative with lived experience where she traveled to Washington, DC to meet with other local, state, and federal leaders and politicians to create recommendations for creating a recovery ecosystem at a local, state, and federal level.

Our Executive Director spoke at NC RURAL HEALTH DAY, in Raleigh North Carolina, speaking about recovery, effects on economic development and policy change.

Wilkes Recovery Revolution, Inc. Executive Director serves as a team member on COPE (Community Opioid Prevention Education) Collective Impact Grant with the Health Foundation, Inc., through UNC School of Government, and Blue Cross Blue Shield.

Serves on HRSA (Health Resources & Services Administration) grant on Wilkes Opioid Response through Project Lazarus, increasing recovery coach training access, and house stipends for justice involved individuals and individuals with children in DSS custody.

Wilkes Recovery Revolution, Inc. were recipients of The Health Foundation,Inc. Challenge Grant.

Wilkes Recovery Revolution, Inc. was selected to receive United Way Funding for peer support services and transitional housing.

Wilkes Recovery Revolution, Inc. received Wilkes Medical Center Foundation Funding for peer support and transitional housing.

Expanded offering additional Men's Transitional Housing Program facilities, and peer support services.

Cam Finley and Tammy Finley donated Phases Transitional Housing Facilities to the organization for the purposes of providing recovery support services.

Executive Director Devin Lyall was invited alongside Heather Murphy through COPE initiate to UNC Chapel Hill Chancellors Bus Tour to share her lived experience and the importance of recovery support programs and connection within community.



































# **RECOVERY ALLIES**

	REBUILD COM	IMUNITY ( 10,000	+)		
The Leonard G. Herring Family Foundation	United	d Way of Wilkes	Dr. Tom & Karolyn Bowman		
The Health Foundation, Inc.	The Health Foundation, Inc. Wilkes Medical				
	RESTORE	HOPE: (1000+)			
Claude & Kim Faw David & C		& Connie McNeil	Wilkesboro United Methodist Church		
Evan & Victoria Handy		Rebecca Vance/ es Print & Ship	United Way of Wilkes		
Arnold & Becky Lackey	North Wilkesb	oro Presbyterian Church			
	OTHE	R DONORS			
Walter Broyhill	Chuck Forester	Megan Barnett/HIVE	Fitness Walter & Doris Stroud		
ushy Mountain Ruritan Club Junior & Donna Goforth		D.R. Blevins	John & Sharon Sturgill		
Terry & Evelyn Bumgarner	Pamela Hartong	Mullins & Mullins Co	unseling Surrey Bank & Trust		
Captain D.W. Harvery	Tim & Patsy Hauser	Tim & Heather Mu	ırphy Gillian Tuttle		
Neil & Branda Cashion	Vaughn Hayes	Muzz's Gym	Village Inn Pizza		
Susan Codgill	Donna Parks Hill		ircle Cleve & Nancy Wagstaff		
Gary & Shirley Deamer	eamer Tam & Karen Hutchinson		n's Group Ronnie Walsh		
Matt Daye	William & Ellen Lipscomb	Dr. Robert & Nancy F	Ricketts WUMC Women's Group		
Laura Elmore	Blake Lovette	St. Pauls Episcopal	Church		
Carolina Finley	Mike & Donna McNeil	Brooke Stanle	у		
	EVEN	F PARTNERS			
Window Wor	ld	NC	NC Farm Bureau of Wilkesboro		
	EVENT	SPONSORS			
	PLATII	NUM SPONSORS			
The Health Foundation, Inc.		nchor Coffee	Wilkesboro CTC		
Finley Properties	Two	Rivers Cinema	The Ragg Company		
Midtown Garden		APNC			
GOLD SPONSORS	SILV	ER SPONSORS	BRONZE SPONSORS		
Taupe Gallery	S	heree Sloop	Wilkes Pregnancy Center		
Northwest General Insurance	Amer	ica's Quick Lube	Matt Daye		
Wilkes Telecommunications Edward Garvi		lward Garvin	Surrey Bank		
		Fabitha Call	Mullins & Mullins Counseling		
	TOP REFE	RRAL AGENCIES			
ADACT (Black Mountain State Funder	Hope Valle	ey Treatment Center	RHA Crisis Center		
Treatment Provider)	Wil	kes Probation	Project Lazarus		
Synergy Detox	N (1 0 1: -	Department of Corrections			



We would like to recognize Cam Finley and Tammy Finley for generously donating all Transitional Housing properties in the amount of \$582,000. Thank You!



# LOOKING FORWARD:

- Opening Recovery Community Center
- Creating Recovery Ecosystem
- Focus on Education and Employment



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