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Recovery Is Here: Alabama Communities Come Together to Celebrate Recovery and Connect People to Help

Statewide events bring recovery resources, stories of hope and opportunities for connection to Alabama communities this fall

ALABAMA: September 1, 2026 — Recovery is happening every day across Alabama. This September and October, recovery organizations and the Treatment and Recovery Committee of the Alabama Opioid Overdose and Addiction Council are joining with Alabama community colleges to bring the **Recovery Is Here** events directly to campuses and communities across the state.

The statewide events, held in recognition of National Recovery Month (September), are designed to connect people with recovery resources, reduce stigma surrounding substance use disorder, and highlight the many pathways to recovery.

Throughout the initiative, participating community colleges will host events featuring local and statewide recovery resources, educational presentations, personal stories of recovery, and opportunities for community connection.

Recovery Is Here events currently scheduled include:

- **September 22 | Gadsden State Community College – Gadsden | 1:00–2:30 p.m.**
- **September 28 | Lawson State Community College – Birmingham | 10:00–11:30 a.m.**
- **October 12 | Wallace State Community College – Selma | 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

Events will include opportunities to connect with recovery organizations and other community resources, learn how to access treatment and recovery services, and hear firsthand stories from people with lived experience. Depending on the location, events may also include presentations from local recovery organizations, community networking, and remarks from leaders in education, recovery, and state government.

National Recovery Month has been observed each September since 1989 as a time to recognize the gains made by people in recovery, promote awareness of substance use disorder and mental health, and highlight the resources that make recovery possible.

Recovery Is Here encourages Alabamians to get involved by attending an event, sharing recovery resources, supporting someone on their recovery journey, or simply starting a conversation.

For event information, recovery resources, and additional ways to participate, visit www.recoveryishere.info.

About Recovery Is Here

Recovery Is Here is a statewide initiative focused on increasing awareness of recovery, connecting individuals and families with resources, and celebrating the people and communities making recovery possible across Alabama. It is supported by recovery organizations and the Treatment and Recovery Committee of the Alabama Opioid Overdose and Addiction Council in partnership with Alabama community colleges.