

NEWSLETTER



P2R Training and Resource Center, Inc.

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Mission Statement:

P2R's mission is to provide a multipurpose facility that will assist marginalized populations with real resources to improve their socioeconomic condition and promote independence.

Vision Statement:

P2R Training and Resource Center, Inc. is committed to providing a safe place where underserved community members can receive the necessary support to access wrap-around services, employment assistance, and programs that enhance a better quality of life.

Guiding Principle:

P2R's focus is to help individuals "RECOVER" from "ALL" life circumstances through strength-based case management, evidenced-based programming, and mentorship.

Special Recognition



CONGRATULATIONS!

Leadership Lorain County's Difference Makers Gala was held virtually on February 18, 2022. Our very own Executive Director Ms. Wendy Caldwell was presented with the Leadership Lorain County Difference Maker "Excellence in Leadership Award" for continuously making a difference in the lives of people in Lorain County.

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LEADERSHIP LORAIN COUNTY IS PROUD TO HONOR:



Jon Veard



Wendy Caldwell



Ann Schloss



Parris Smith

"Miracles in the Mirror"

Our Executive Director Ms. Wendy Caldwell hosted a Radio Show on 89.1 WNZN entitled "Miracles in the Mirror" on February 26th, 2022. Ms. Wendy invited some of the staff of P2R Training and Resource Center, Inc. to be her guest. The guests included Ms. Felicia Baggett, Peer Support Specialist, Mr. Walter Atwood, Re-entry Specialist, Ms. Angela Brightwell, Assistant to the Executive Director, and Mr. Isrom Johnson, Workforce Development and Outreach Coordinator.

Ms. Wendy led the discussion with questions that were geared to highlight the staff and their journey that led them to P2R. The discussion covered topics such as dealing with the "Stigma" of having a past that includes prison, substance use disorder, and self-defeating choices that resulted in unfavorable circumstances. Each guest discussed how they were able to use their faith to help guide them through those turbulent seasons in their life. The staff went on to discuss the work they do on a day-to-day basis @ P2R and the challenges they face working with certain populations. The responses resonated with overcoming challenges through resilience and the belief that they can make a difference in someone's life. The staff was able to give heartfelt expressions of what makes them a "Miracle in the Mirror" as they continue to sojourn through life motivated to reach their goals.

"Miracles in the Mirror" Radio show airs on 89.1 WNZN and the next program is scheduled for June.



Winners Circle

Mereya Overly came to P2R at the beginning of April with hopes of finding help with rent and utility assistance. After completing a thorough Needs Assessment, it was discovered that Mereya was facing numerous challenges and needed various supportive services. Mereya has committed to the recommendations from P2R; we have assisted her in completing the application for rent/utility assistance; she attends New In Recovery Group every week; meets with assigned peer specialists; received clothing, food boxes, and shares openly about her other obligations with social service agencies. Mereya has taken advantage of every opportunity P2R has presented to her and shows a level of commitment that represents our "All I Do Is Win" mantra in the office. Mereya says she came to P2R to receive help and guidance but has gotten so much more. When asked, "what would you tell others about P2R?" She had this to say, "this place is a safe haven and I'm going to post it on Facebook and everywhere." The P2R team is super proud of Mereya and will continue to support her through her process of recovery from "ALL" life circumstances.



Mereya Overly

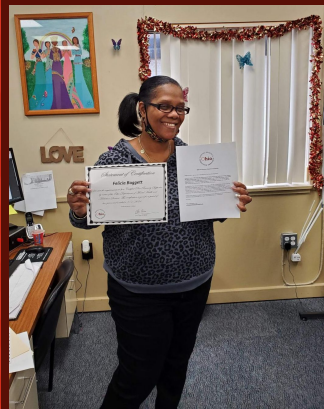
Supportive Services

P2R has been instrumental in providing supportive services to clients since the COVID 19 pandemic. When most agencies had to close their doors and go through the arduous task of transitioning to virtual services, P2R understood the assignment and stood in the gap to assist clients with computer literacy. In May 2020, we began assisting Lorain County residents with applying for emergency rent and utility assistance. Initially, we were asked by the Lorain County Job and Family Service Director (then Tim Carrion), to help with at least 10 families. The need was so great we continued to help with this process and to date, we have assisted over 150 Lorain County residents with various applications for rent/utility assistance from Job and Family Services, Community Action, UCAN, Faith-based entities, and private donors. These efforts have been spearheaded by our Workforce Development and Outreach Coordinator, Isrom Johnson. Countless families have avoided eviction, were spared utility shut-offs, and were able to preserve the dignity of having a roof over their heads. P2R was able to utilize our E-LAB (Experience-Life After Barriers) Business Center to log onto the various websites assisting our clients with uploading their vital documents. P2R was very instrumental in assisting clients in obtaining those documents as well. This process was very challenging for most of our clients, so our hands-on approach was greatly appreciated. P2R continues to assist clients with programs that utilize online applications and encourages anyone struggling with these processes to feel free to contact our office.



"Life on Life Terms"

We are excited to announce our Peer Support Group for Women entitled "Life on Life Terms," facilitated by Ms. Felicia Baggett our Certified Peer Support Specialist. This group is held every third Friday of the month focusing on Self Care, Financial Wellness, Feminine Health Care, The Importance of Having a Living Will, Life Insurance Awareness, First Time Home Ownership, and many other subjects that encourage a positive lifestyle. These topics derive from Ms. Felicia's own personal experience as she is now almost four years into her own recovery from substance abuse. Felicia returned to Lorain County from Louisville, Kentucky, and became a P2R client. In March 2022, she celebrated one year of employment at P2R and enjoys giving back what has been freely given to her.



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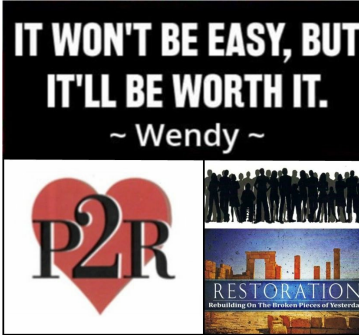
Current Trends @ P2R

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Executive Director
 Wendy Caldwell
 (440) 345-6701

- ★ **REO (Recover Employment Opportunities)**
 Employment Program
 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays & Thursdays 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm
 Contact: Felicia Baggett, Peer Support Specialist
 (440) 434-8033
- ★ **Stay Clean Intervention Group**
 Low – Intensity Substance Abuse Education
 Sundays 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
 Contact: Wendy Caldwell, Executive Director
 (440) 345-6701
- ★ **Chance To Change Reentry Group**
 Planning and Problem Solving
 4th and 1st Tuesdays & Thursdays 12:00 pm – 2:30 pm
 Contact: Walter Atwood, Reentry Specialist
 (440) 434-8080
- ★ **Women's Peer Support Group**
 Life On Life Terms
 3rd Friday 12:00 – 3:00 pm
 Contact: Felicia Baggett, Peer Support Specialist
 (440) 434-8033
- ★ **Support Group**
 AA, Fellowship Meetings
 Tuesdays Saturdays 9:00 pm
 7:30 pm
- ★ **Other Services:**
 Workforce Development/Outreach Services
 Employment Connection
 Contact: Isrom Johnson, Workforce Development
 (440) 434-8080

e-Lab Computer Center
 Experience Life After Barriers
 Contact: Betty Gibson
 (440) 434-8033



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Wendy Caldwell (MCJ, LCDCCIII, SAP), Executive Director

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