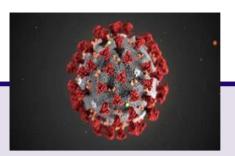
#### People in Recovery, Families and Friends

You are MOAR invited to Our Virtual
Statewide Alcohol and
Other Drug
Awareness Month
Town Hall Meeting

Statewide and Community Action From Prevention to Recovery



Building a Continuum of Care and Policies Addressing COVID 19 and The Future

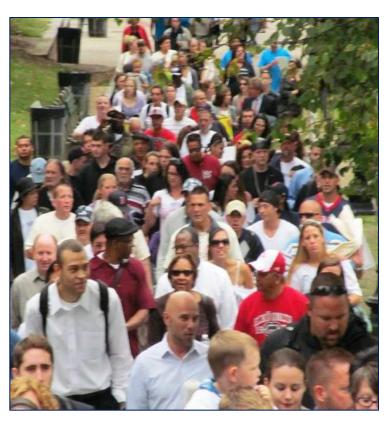
# Thank You to Funders





Helping MOAR to Build Statewide Capacity for Addiction Recovery and **Cultural Humility** 

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#### **Our Mission**

To organize recovering individuals, families and friends into a collective voice to educate the public about the value of recovery from alcohol and other addictions.

#### **Our Vision**

where addiction is treated as a significant public health issue and recovery is recognized as valuable to all our communities.

#### Meet the MOAR Team



Maryanne Frangules
Executive Director



Donn Young Operations Director



Kirsten Doherty SOAR Project Director



Athena Haddon Central/Western MA Regional Coordinator



Peter Kwong Administrative Coordinator



Trevi Hall Western MA Regional Coordinator



Noel Sierra Southeast Regional Coordinator



Julie Bunch Regional Coordinator for Boston & Northeast



Scott Francis Metro West Regional Coordinator



Kim Krawczyk Recovery Coach Supervisor/ AREAS Supervisor



Darrell Wright
MOAR Recovery Coach



Julie Pike MOAR Recovery Coach



Mark Muhammad MOAR Recovery Coach



Josephine Simard
MOAR Recovery Coach



# A Year Ago!

- PPE Personal Protective Equipment Mask/Gloves
- Social Distancing
- Segregated Treatment for Congregated Modalities
- Curfews
- Closures
- Live on Social Media ZOOM and ZOOM
- Rep Deckers Behavioral Health Committee
- MOUD Regulation Ease
- Telehealth –
- State Budget Stimulus The Wait The Reward
- Homelessness and Addiction
- George Floyd Murder and Interrupting Racism

# Organizational Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion:

- MOAR cannot help eliminate inequities outside the organization without first turning an eye inwards. During our period of expansion, we have prioritized the hiring of people of color to full-time positions.. MOAR contracted with Human In Common to perform an assessment and make recommendations on improving our organizational diversity, equity, and inclusion. We formed committees in a
- 4 pronged approach to fight racism:
- 1. Our Language and Curriculum Committee is focusing on translating and updating our resources to reflect our commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion. We are editing our educational materials to include the voices and direction from communities of color.
- 2. The Allyship & Partnership Committee outreaches to organizations now guide a cultural humility lens with new direction.
- 3. The Book Club is challenging our minds and heart as we dig deep into selections like White Fragility
- 4. We will be hiring a Diversity Lead to help us organize and stay focused on truly reflecting diversity, equity, and inclusion.

# COVID 19 -2021

- Homelessness, Telehealth, Hybrid
- MA Coalition for Addiction Services Budget
  - Mass Rehab \$1 million
  - Technical Assistance for Medication Assistance and co-occurring \$2 million
  - Access to Recovery \$1.5 million
  - . 9 family sober living homes \$10 million

## **Increased for Recovery Supports!**

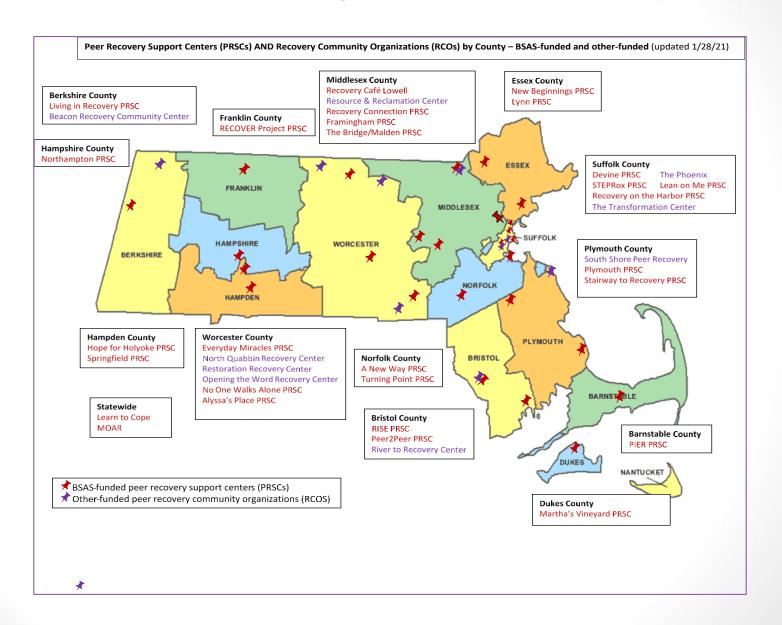
- \$3.5 Million to create 8 new recovery support centers!
  - Funding through DPH-BSAS Competitive Application
  - And there will be another 5
  - Increase the number of state funded facilities from 10 to 18 to 26 –maybe 31 someday







#### **SOAR – Speaking Out for Addiction Recovery**



# What MOAR?

- MOAR/RIZE survey delivered to BSAS on
- What to Do With COVID Relief Funds
- 1. Substance use disorder (SUD) services for vulnerable populations
- 2. Tie between a) workforce development for counselors, treatment providers, and peer workers and b) lack of integrated treatment and continuity of care across the SUD treatment continuum
- 3. Health plan barriers, including lack of insurance coverage for SUD
- 4. Tied between a) a racially, ethnically, and socioeconomically diverse behavioral health workforce and b) telehealth access
- 5. Treatment, including medication for opioid use disorder (MOUD), accessibility at all levels
- RIZE Know Your Rights Toolkit was unveiled
- April 8<sup>th</sup> with support from HRIA and MOAR



# MOAR 2021 Policy Priorities

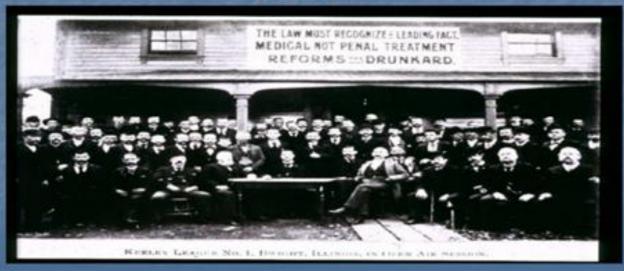
• The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that more than 1,744 people dieeach year in Massachusetts because of alcohol use

Black non-Latinx and Latinx males experienced increased opioid-related overdose death rates from 2018 to 2019

- Increasing Quality and Quantity of Peer to Peer Recovery Support Services
  - Act Relative to Recovery Coaching MA legislature H2382/S1452 to maintain recovery coaching fidelity
  - 5 more Peer Recovery Centers Move from 26 to 31 centers to offer valued community support, involvement
- Filling The Continuum of Care Gaps with Ethical Standards of Care
  - Low Threshold Housing to reduce homelessness, overdose deaths, improve health outcomes, and health equity
  - Access to Recovery for comprehensive care coordination for post incarceration, pregnant women, and US Veterans.
  - Maintaining the 9 New Family Recovery Residential Services so parenting caregivers and children can all receive recovery support
  - Enhancing Necessary Workforce Opportunities by supporting Mass Rehab Interagency Agreement and Recruitment Strategy with educational and vocational institutions
  - Mobile and Outpatient Support for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community
  - Act for Full Spectrum of Treatment- MA legislature H2116/S1292 for 30 days of medically necessary insurance coverage deemed by treating provider
  - The Sackler Act, US Congress HR 2096, This would prevent non-debtors, like the Sackler family, from using bankruptcy proceedings to be released from lawsuits brought by government entities

Through DEI consultation, **MOAR** is moving to address social and racial inequities and the impact institutional racism has on the cycle of poverty, criminal injustices, and access to treatment and recovery.

## Keeley League and Advocacy 1890



## Do MOAR on ZOOM throughout the year!



**Recovery Messaging** 



Advocacy 101



**AREAS Education** 



May
WMA Policy Forum
June 2

Events

MOAR



April Alcohol Awareness Town Hall April 29



May
MOAR Laughs
Comedy Fund
Raiser in Arlington



September

MOAR and Friends

Recovery Day and

Recovery Month

Events Across MA



December
Annual **MOAR** Holiday
Celebration in Worcester



Year Round Meetings, Summits and Educational events with SOAR and MOAR

### www.moar-recovery.org/join

# Get MOAR involved

- www.moar-recovery.org/join
- Check out a MOAR Regional Action for Recovery Meeting in your area! Zoom in!
- Take advantage of opportunities to speak out at MOAR Events, Statehouse Rallies, and in local coalitions.
- Participate in upcoming MOAR Policy Survey to let us know YOUR priorities!







# Supportive Resources

#### **BSAS** Helpline



#### CONCERNED ABOUT YOURSELF OR SOMEONE ELSE?

We can help you find the right substance abuse services, with or without insurance.

#### Make a confidential phone call:

800-327-5050 MassRelay: 711

#### Search for services online:

HELPLINE-ONLINE.COM

A program of Health Resources in Action. Funded by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

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#### **MOAR** Resource Guide







Resources for Recovery
A Mini Guide with
MOAR to Come!













Massachusetts Organization for Addiction Recovery

MOAR Mini Guide: Printed with Resources from MA Bureau of Substance Addiction Services, Department of Public Health

http://www.moar-recovery.org/resources

## Resources for You!

- "Language Guide for Addiction and Recovery"
- "People in Recovery, Families and Friends Your Voice is a Capital Investment!" –

Public Policymaker Resource Guide

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