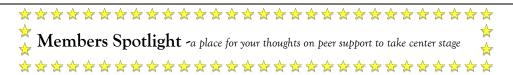
STEPPING STONE & NEXT STEP

PEER SUPPORT & RESPITE CENTERS
JANUARY 2020

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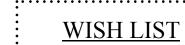
Here are some things we want to accomplish in 2020:

- ♦ Improve on self-care
- Get another puppy
- To have a good year
- ♦ To get a new car and dog
- Re-new my license
- ♦ Take time....
- ♦ Grow as much as I can
- Lose some weight
- ♦ Get a job
- Reconnect with distant family
- ♦ Make more money
- Work on my health
- Get my diploma, a car and license
- ◆ To get on my feet and a new job

- Start a family
- Finishing my online degree
- Being healthier
- Working towards my goals
- ♦ Being HAPPIER
- ♦ A new apartment and new couch
- ♦ Join the missions with the church
- Getting my teeth fixed so I can get knee surgery
- ♦ Turning 64
- Get new housing and landlord
- Get every American to love each other
- Get in shape
- ♦ Work towards self sufficiency, not be dependent on it

If you are interested in contributing a story, poem, or other idea, please call Shanon at 543-1388.

Next Step will be closed 1/1/2020.



all holiday DVDs patio table digital camera



Members who help with community meals.

Members who donate to The Giving Room.

Members for helping with the Newsletter.

If you know of a donation we haven't recognized, please see Shanon.



Community Meal Menus

| | Stepping Stone | | Next Step |
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| 1/7 | English Muffin Pizza Salad | 1/1 | CLOSED |
| 1/14 | Chicken w/pasta salad Salad | 1/8 | Pigs in a Blanket w/fries Salad |
| 1/21 | Chef's Choice Salad | 1/15 | Spaghetti/garlic bread Salad |
| 1/28 | Meatball Grinders w/chips Salad | 1/22 | Shepard's Pie w/crescent rolls Salad |
| | | 1/29 | Baked Chicken w/stuffing/veggies Salad |

Recipe of the Month - Baked Chicken and Potatoes

- ♦ 3 to 4 large potatoes (peeled and cut into 1-inch dices)
- ♦ 1/4 cup olive oil (plus 1 tablespoon; divided)
- salt and pepper (to taste)
- ♦ 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 1/2 lbs. boneless skinless chicken breasts
- ♦ 3/4 cup Parmesan cheese

Preheat oven to 425°. Spray a 9x13 baking dish with cooking spray. Toss potatoes, 1/4 cup of the olive oil, salt, pepper, and garlic powder together. Put into baking dish in a single layer. Bake 10 minutes. Place chicken on top of potatoes, arranging potatoes around chicken. Brush remaining tablespoon of olive oil on top of chicken. Season with salt and pepper. Return to oven and bake 18 to 20 minutes until juices of chicken run clear. Top with parmesan cheese. Return to oven and bake until cheese melts, about 2 minutes. Serve and enjoy!



On the 3rd Friday of every month at Stepping Stone, we have a cake to celebrate all the birthdays in the month.

Please join us for cake and celebration.

Giving Back

We believe it is important to give back to our communities. If you have an idea for community volunteering or donations or if you volunteer and want to be recognized, please see Shanon. Here's what we're doing now:

Arbor View visit: If you want to join us in January, please sign up at either site.

Baby Steps: A Member volunteers putting clothes out on the show room once a week.

Claremont Fire Department: A Member volunteers to help outside.

Claremont Soup Kitchen: A Member volunteers putting together food boxes.

<u>Grafton County Senior Center</u>: A Member in Lebanon volunteers at the front desk and waitresses when needed. She also puts together meals for Meals on Wheels.

Meals on Wheels: A Member in Lebanon volunteers to deliver meals. A Member in Claremont helps package meals.

Sullivan County Health Care: Two Members go there periodically and do a sing-along with nursing home residents.

Turning Point Network: A Member offers to talk with folks that come. She supports them through difficult times.

Valley Regional Hospital: A Member volunteers to answers phones and direct people to where they need to go.

Woodlawn Nursing Home: A Member volunteers time once a week.



Game Day

Thursday, 1/30/20, 12–2 PM,
Stepping Stone
Please sign from Next Step for transportation.



Consumer Council call-in option...

Consumer Council wants to increase attendance by having conference calls with the Peer Support Centers throughout NH. If you would like to listen in or have things to share, here is some information:

- The number to call in for the Consumer Council meeting is 1-888-245-8770.
- You will be asked to key in your "Guest Room Number" which is 480682.

Board of Directors News

We're looking for talented and thoughtful volunteer Board members. If you can contribute your time and ideas and are interested in exploring this opportunity, contact Shanon Pyatt at 603 543-1388, and she will give your contact information to the Board member in charge of Board Recruitment.

The Giving Room

Come browse items donated by Members which can be taken free of charge by other Members. Details are available at both Centers. Please contact Shanon or Amber before you drop off donations.

Volunteering

Stepping Stone—Help unload a food truck at The Claremont Soup Kitchen on Thursday, 1/9, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM.

Next Step—Please call Shanon at 543-1388 for more information.

Please sign up and help our communities!

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Location

1 Pleasant St., Suites 104 and 105 Claremont, NH 03743 603-287-7127

Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/pg/recoveryresourcecenter

We believe that the key to long-term recovery is a strong foundation of support and community. The Center is a communal space for individuals and families seeking support for substance misuse and addiction-related issues. We host an array of peer-based, non-clinical programs, and services including recovery coaching, support groups, educational workshops, and drug-free/sober community events.



Mon-Thu 8:30am-6pm Food Shelf opens at 9 am

713 Hartford Ave, White River Junction, Vermont ∞ 802-295-6500 info@uppervalleyhaven.org

-a non-profit, private organization that serves people struggling with poverty by providing food, shelter, education, service coordination, and other support.

Southwestern Community Services

96-102 Main Street Claremont, NH 03743 Phone: 603.542.9528

Toll Free: 800.529.0005 TTY-NH Relay: 800.735.2964





Please call the Sullivan County shelter at 542.3160 for more information about the Emergency Shelter Program or Housing Stabilization Counseling.



Confidential

Judgment-free

24 Hours a day

7 Days a week

Upcoming Events & Meeting

Community Meetings
Stepping Stone, Tuesday, 1-2 PM Next Step, Wednesday, 1-2 PM

> **Arbor View Connection** Monday, 1/6, 1 PM Sign up for transportation from either site.

Volunteering @ Soup Kitchen Thursday, 1/9, 11:30 AM -12:30 PM Claremont Sign up from Stepping Stone.

Newsletter Workgroup Monday, 1/13, 9:30-11:30 AM Stepping Stone Sign up for transportation from Next Step.

NH Mental Health Planning & **Advisory Council**

Tuesday, 1/14, 9:30 AM-2 PM Fox Chapel, BMHS, Concord Please see information posted at both sites.

Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, 1/15, 3:30-4:30 PM Next Step Sign up for transportation from Stepping Stone.

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First-Aid with Martha Hewitt Tuesday, 1/21, 1 PM Stepping Stone Wednesday, 1/22, 1 PM Next Step

Consumer Council Meeting Tuesday, 1/21, 11 AM-1 PM BMHS, Concord Sign up for transportation at either site.

Game Day @ Stepping Stone Thursday, 1/23, 12-2 PM Sign up for transportation from Next Step.

Mission Statement: To support our mental health peers on their personal paths towards wellness within a community free from judgment where we share feelings, experiences, and tools in a respectful way. -Adopted 3/13/19

Our programs are funded in part by a SAMHSA Block Grant and the NH Department of Health and Human Services. Our supports are free to NH residents.

"You know what happens when you don't take a risk? Nothing."

-Mel Gibson

-born January 3, 1956



Suggestion Boxes are at both sites for your ideas and suggestions regarding the Centers. Please place your constructive suggestions in the box. Your name is optional.

How to Reach Us

Stepping Stone

Phone: 543-1388 Fax: 543-0131 Center hours: Sunday 11 AM-3 PM Monday—Thursday 9 AM—4 PM Friday Noon-7 PM Saturday 11 AM-4 PM

Next Step

Phone: 448-6941 Fax: 448-0702 Center hours: Monday—Thursday 9 AM—5 PM 543-1388. If calling long Friday 11 AM-6 PM

Saturday 11 AM-4 PM

Peer Respite

Our program is free to NH residents who meet the guidelines of being at risk for using mental health services, are already using mental health services, or are referred by other services. Call 543-1388 for more information.

Peer Support Warmline

Our Warmline is available 4-9 PM, seven days a week. To reach our Warmline, call distance within NH, call toll free at 1-888-582-0920.

Peer Respite in New Hampshire

The Stepping Stone Drop-In Center Assn. 108 Pleasant Street Claremont, NH 03743 Telephone: (603) 543-1388

HEARTS Peer Support Center of Greater Nashua 5 Pine Street Extension Suite 1-G PO Box 1564 Nashua NH 03060 Telephone: (603) 864-8769

Monadnock Area Peer Support Agency 64 Beaver Street Keene, NH 03431 Telephone: (603) 352-5093



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