

STEPPING STONE & NEXT STEP

PEER SUPPORT CENTERS DECEMBER 2023



Stepping Stone 108 Pleasant Street Claremont, NH 03743 603-543-1388 Next Step 109 Bank Street Lebanon, NH 03766 603-448-6941

www.steppingstonenextstep.org







Stepping Stone receives \$1.00 from every specially-marked Bloomin' 4 Good bouquet sold at Hannaford in Claremont during December. Look for the red sticker.

All donations go to our Member Activities.

Please support our Centers.

If you are interested in contributing a story, poem, or other idea, please call Shanon at 603-543-1388.



hange to December's schedule

Next Step

12/8, Open 9 AM-1 PM;

12/9, Closed;

12/12, Open 9 AM-3 PM;

12/14, Open 9 AM-3 PM;

12/16, Closed

12/18, Open 12-3 PM;

12/25, Closed

Stepping Stone 12/18, Open 11-4 PM; 12/25, Closed.



Group Schedule via zoom:

9-10 AM Nutrition NO GROUPS— 12/18, 22, 25 Computer: Go to https://zoom.us/j/641939622

Zoom App on your Smartphone or tablet: Select Join a Meeting, enter Meeting ID 641939622

Phone: Call 1-646-558-8656, enter Meeting ID 641939622#, for password press #

11 AM-Noon Check-in NO GROUPS—12/12, 22, 25 Computer: Go to https://zoom.us/j/95084929764

Zoom App on your Smartphone or tablet: Select Join a Meeting, enter Meeting ID 95084929764

Phone: Call 1-646-558-8656, enter Meeting ID 95084929764#, for password press #





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.

"The more you like yourself, the less you are like anyone else, which makes you unique."

-Walt Disney -born December 15, 1901

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.



Yummy Potato Soup

- 6 slices thin bacon, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 whole medium onion, diced
- 3 whole carrots, scrubbed clean and diced
- 3 stalks celery, diced
- 6 whole small russet potatoes, peeled and diced
- Salt & pepper to taste
- 1/2 tsp. Cajun spice mix

- 8 c. low sodium chicken or vegetable broth
- 3 tbsp. all-purpose flour
- 1 c. milk
- 1/2 c. heavy cream
- 1 tsp. minced fresh parsley
- 1 c. grated cheese of your choice

To a soup pot over medium heat, add the bacon pieces and cook until crisp and the fat is rendered. Remove the bacon from the pot and set it aside. Pour off most of the grease, but do not clean the pot. Return the pot to medium-high heat and add the onion, carrot, and celery. Stir and cook for 2 minutes or so, then add the diced potatoes. Cook for 5 minutes, seasoning with salt, pepper, and Cajun spice. Pour in the broth and bring it to a gentle boil. Cook for 10 minutes, or until the potatoes start to get tender. Whisk together the flour and the milk, then pour it into the soup and allow the soup to cook for another 5 minutes. Let it heat back up as you taste for seasonings, adding more of what it needs. Stir in the cream and parsley, reserving a little for garnish. Serve in bowls with parsley, cheese, and crisp bacon pieces.

Our Vision: We envision a world where peer support promotes social change and eliminates the stigma associated with mental health.

Our Mission: To support our mental health peers on their personal paths toward wellness within a community free from judgment where we share feelings, experiences, and tools in a respectful way.

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.





OUR MISSION IS TO SUPPORT,
ASSIST, & EMPOWER
THOSE WHOSE LIVES ARE
IMPACTED BY HIV & HEPATITIS C
TO LIVE FULLY WITH DIGNITY.
AND TO STOP THE SPREAD OF
THESE VIRUSES THROUGH
EDUCATION & UNDERSTANDING.

SUPPORT FOR ANYONE LIVING WITH OR AT RISK FOR HIV & VIRAL HEPATITIS:

Syringe Access, Case
Management, and Community
Education

2 BLACKSMITH STREET LEBANON, NH (603) 448-8887 (800) 816-2220 WWW.H2RC.ORG



MOBILE SYRINGE EXCHANGE

Anonymous, confidential & COST-FREE
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UPPER VALLEY VT & NH

We offer:

- Support For People Who Use Drugs
- Harm Reduction Supplies
 syringes and safer injection works
- Narcan & Fentanyl Test Strips
- Overdose Prevention Training
- Hepatitis C & HIV prevention, testing and referrals to care
- Education & Referrals
- Connection to recovery support, medical and social services
- Help signing up for health insurance and other support services

Meeting You Where You're At.

For more information or to schedule a meetup:

Ryan (603) 276-9698 Ryan@H2RC.org RFOWLEL@ URRC Laura (603) 306-1105 Laura@H2RC.org Board of Directors <u>News</u>

We're looking for volunteer Board members. If you can contribute your time and ideas and are interested in exploring this opportunity, contact Shanon Laferte at 603 543-1388, and she will give your contact information to the Governance Committee.





The Giving Room

You may shop by appointment only and must be accompanied by staff on the following days: Next Step - All day Monday and Thursday.

Stepping Stone - Monday, 11 AM-12 PM & 1-2 PM; Wednesday, 1-3 PM; Saturday, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM.





Coordinated Specialty Care

An evidence-based, early intervention program serving young adults who are experiencing a first episode of psychosis.

Coordinated Specialty Care is a recovery-oriented treatment program which promotes shared decision making and uses a team of specialists who works with clients to create a personal treatment plan. The specialists provide services to clients with first episode psychosis by offering:

Medication Management

Psychotherapy
Supported Employment and Education
Family Education and Support

The Coordinated Specialty Care program at West Central Behavioral Health is a collaboration with a team at Dartmouth Health. The program uses a combination of in person visits and telehealth to deliver treatment.

Enrollment for this program is open for individuals 18 years and older, living in Southern Grafton and Sullivan County.

For more information about Coordinated Specialty Care, please contact:

West Central Behavioral Health New Clients/Intake Line 603-542-5128



833-710-6477

NH Rapid Response

988

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

211

Your Local Doorway for Substance Use Resources

24/7. Confidential, no cost to you.



62 Pleasant St. Claremont, NH 03743 603-287-7127

24 Hanover St. Lebanon, NH 03766 603-790-3779

Facebook:

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

We believe that the key to long-term recovery is a strong foundation of support and community. 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.



141 Mascoma Street, Lebanon, NH 03766 Phone: 603-448-4872 Email: info@headrest.org

Headrest supports individuals and their families, friends and neighbors affected by substance use, navigating recovery, or in crisis, by providing effective programs and treatment options that support prevention and long-term recovery. Headrest will never turn anyone away.



Mon-Thu 8:30am-6pm Fri 8:30am-4pm 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 603 542.3160 for more information about the Emergency Shelter Program or Housing Stabilization Counseling.

How to Reach Us

Stepping Stone Next Step

Phone: 603-543-1388 Phone: 603-448-6941

Fax: 603-543-0131 Fax: 603-448-0702

Center hours:
Sunday 11 AM-3 PM
Monday 9 AM-4 PM
Tuesday 9 AM-4 PM
Wednesday 9 AM-4 PM
Thursday 9 AM-7 PM
Friday 9 AM-7 PM

Friday 9 AM-4 PM Saturday 10:30 AM-2:30 PM

Saturday 11 AM-4 PM

Peer Support Warmline

Our Warmline is available Sunday-Thursday, 4-9 PM;

Friday, 4-8 PM: Saturday, 4-9 PM.

To reach our Warmline, call 603-543-1388. If calling long

distance within NH, you may call toll free at 888-582-0920.

Peer Respite in New Hampshire

H.E.A.R.T.S. Peer Support Center of Greater Nashua 5 Pine Street Extension Suite 1-G

PO Box 1564 Nashua NH 03060

Telephone: (603) 864-8769

Monadnock Peer Support

24 Vernon Street Keene, NH 03431

Telephone: (603) 352-5093

NH Recovery Oriented Step-Up/Step-Down Programs (SUSD)

Connections Peer Support Center

161 1st NH Turnpike, Northwood, NH 03261 603.427.6966 Office; 603.373.6519 Fax kali@connectionspeersupport.org

H.E.A.R.T.S. Peer Support Center

5 Pine St. Ext. 1G, Nashua, NH 03060 603.882.8400 Office; 603.864.8482 Fax cherylt@heartspsa.com

Monadnock Area Peer Support

24 Vernon Street, Keene, NH 03431 603.352.5093 Office; 603.550.5506 Fax karen@monadnockpsa.org

On the Road to Wellness

59 Sheffield Road, Manchester, NH 03103 603.232.6250 Office; 603.232.6158 Fax susd@otrtw.org



Community Meetings

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

> Newsletter Workgroup Monday, 12/11, 10-11 AM Stepping Stone

Educational Event

Tuesday, 12/12, 1 PM CCBHC & Coordinated Specialty Care with Ebony Martin & Michelle Wagner Stepping Stone

NH Mental Health Peer Alliance

Tuesday, 12/19, 10 AM—12 PM
Via computer or smartphone:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84071785517?
pwd=Z2FrNnRyenBnWDcyQU40ck5hQlozZz09

Meeting ID: 840 7178 5517 Password: 269641

Educational Event

Wednesday, 12/20, 1 PM CCBHC & Coordinated Specialty Care

with Ebony Martin & Michelle Wagner Next Step

NH Mental Health Planning & Advisory Council

Meets quarterly in January, April,
July, and October.

