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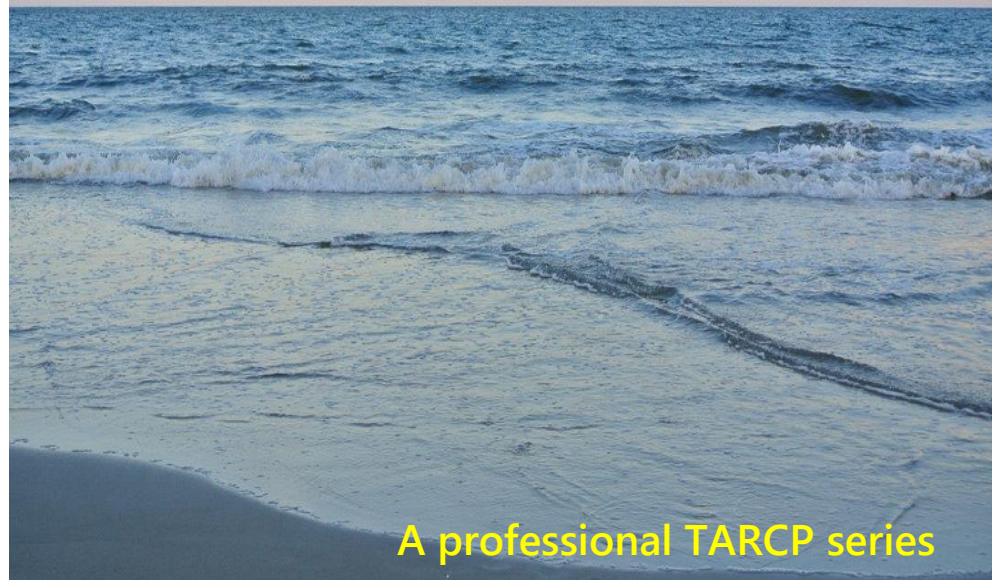
## Latest TARCP Recovery Podcast



Please go to the below link to listen to Marie Crosson as she interviews Clarence McGuire, Jr., Treatment Director of the 32<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District DWI/Drug Court in Louisiana, and Chuck Orms with Corrisoft about the case study conducted in Clarence's district using Corrisoft technology as well as the improved outcomes from this study.

You can find this and all podcasts at [A Recovery Court Podcast](#). If you have an idea for a podcast topic, please reach out to Marie Crosson at [marie.crosson@tarcp.org](mailto:marie.crosson@tarcp.org).

## Work-Life Balance in Recovery Courts

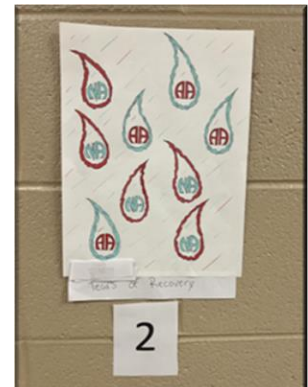
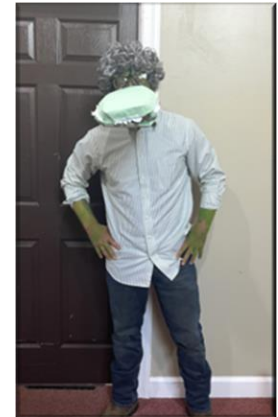
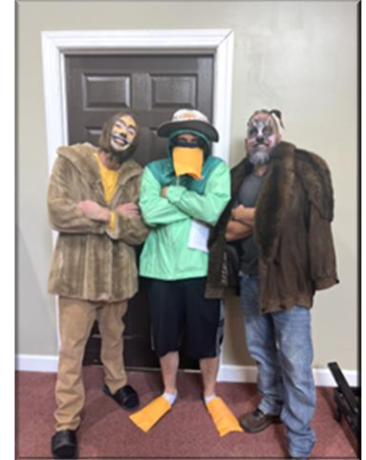


A professional TARCP series



## DC4-Davidson County Drug Court

DC4 organized "Spirit Week" to celebrate September being National Recovery Month. This week-long event included decorating office doors of staff members and the main hallway, wearing favorite team sports shirts, and a "Tie-Dye Tuesday," with residents designing their own tie dye patterns. There was an art contest, painting rocks with recovery messages, and a performance of "Carnivore's Anonymous." DC4 staff also organized a potluck lunch!







## Lincoln County Recovery Court

Lincoln County Recovery Court saw the community turn out to celebrate recovery at the Lincoln County Recovery Fest on August 27<sup>th</sup> at Stone Bridge Park in Fayetteville. There was free food, vendors, guest speakers, kids games, cornhole tournament, face painting, graduations, and fellowship.







## Shelby County Veterans Court Foundation

The Shelby County Veterans Treatment Court held a 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Graduation Ceremony on July 20, 2022 at the Shelby County Criminal Justice Center Auditorium in Memphis. The court began in 2012 and has served over 400 veteran graduates.



## Montgomery County Veterans Treatment Court

Montgomery County Mayor Jim Durrett was in place to support Judge Ken Goble, Jr. and the Montgomery County Veterans Treatment Court as 22 VTC participants graduated to Phase V in August.





Boris graduated in August and is 14 months substance free, now serving in leadership at Oxford House.



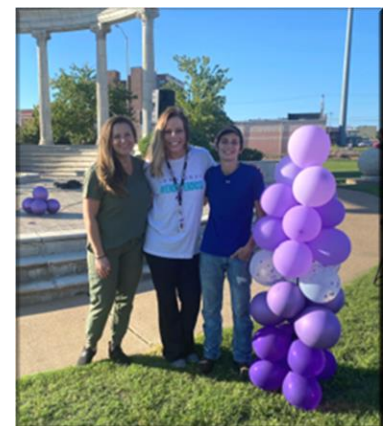
Ashley graduated in September and this is what a recovery court family looks like!



### International Overdose Awareness Day Candlelight Vigil

West Tennessee Faith Based Initiatives Teams, Jackson-Madison Prevention Coalition, and the City of Jackson hosted a candlelight remembrance ceremony on August 31, 2022 at Unity Park in Jackson for friends and family who lost someone to overdose.

**Peer Recovery Specialist Dianne Sherrod and Hybrid Lifeline Peer Project Coordinator Sarah Ann Mays, both with the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, attended the candlelight vigil. To read the article on the vigil go to [Jackson Sun](#). CHRIS DAY/JACKSON SUN**







## Morgan County Residential Recovery Court

National Recovery Month includes Alumni Day at MCRRC. Due to COVID restrictions this annual event has not occurred for three years. However, on September 17<sup>th</sup> the reunions began again with alumni speakers, good food, and fellowship.



## DeKalb County Recovery Court

Amazing Phase Up accomplishments recognized in September in the DeKalb County Recovery Court!





## Rutherford County Recovery Court Foundation



16<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Recovery Court marked September's Recovery Month by having a resource table at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Rutherford County Recovery Fest on September 16<sup>th</sup> at the Murfreesboro Family Worship Center.



## Gibson County Recovery Court

**In September There Was Much  
to Celebrate in  
Gibson County Recovery Court!**



Congratulations to Lori Kennedy on her successful completion of Phase 3!

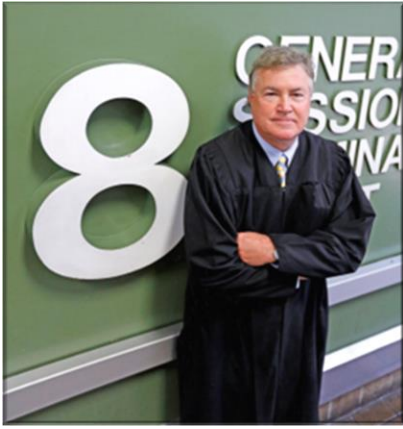


Congratulations to Mart Griggs on completing Gibson County Recovery Court!



Congratulations to Susan Simmons on her successful completion of Phase 3!





## **Judge Tim Dwyer on Serving 25 Years in the Shelby County Drug Treatment Court**

August 31, 2022 was my last day as Presiding Judge of the Shelby County Drug Treatment Court. We have graduated over 3,000 individuals, along with that number you have to include husbands, wives, children, and family members that also benefit from the graduate completing the program. I have met countless participants that have not only changed their lives, but have changed mine. It is inspiring to see participants gain back the trust of family members and friends. For 38 years, I have been honored to preside over this program and have looked forward to coming to work every day.

When I first started Drug Court in 1997, there were very few in the country. I had a hard time convincing the Shelby County Commission to contribute funding to the Court. In fact, they turned me down. I remember it like it was yesterday. I went outside and felt like I was having a heart attack. I knew this was a great program that needed to continue. Just locking people up with drug problems and not dealing with the underlying problem of addiction was not the answer.

I prayed hard and God put some thoughts in my head, like creating a non-profit and other ideas, and to make a long story short we survived. As we progressed, we began to get the attention of local and county state officials due to our proven success; this increased funding. Many thanks to the former and present Memphis Police Department Directors and the Shelby County Sheriffs. Their contribution from the drug seizure fund helped us immensely. We aggressively pursued and obtained grants.

Now, there is a staff of 12 team members to meet the needs of our participants. You could not ask for a better group of people; they are dedicated to this program and care about the success of our participants as much as I do. They made me look good every day.

When I first started drug court there was only one in the state, now there are over 50 and there are over 3,500 in the United States. There have been many changes over the years in Drug Court. Initially, we were still dealing with the crack/cocaine crisis in Shelby County. In the early 2000's, the primary drug of choice switched to methamphetamine. Now we are dealing with the opioid epidemic. This is very dangerous and we have a large number of individuals overdosing in Shelby County. Those individuals come through the court and are offered treatment immediately following the trauma of overdosing. This is when people are most open to treatment. It is rewarding to see these people regain their lives and become working citizens contributing to their communities. This is especially dear to me as I have an Executive Secretary and a Drug Court team member that are graduates of the Drug Court Program.

The benefits of the Drug Court program are numerous. Drug Court reduces recidivism; only 25% of graduates will be convicted of another crime. Savings in jail cost alone are approximately \$10,000.00 per defendant. Drug Court allows jail space to be used for housing more serious offenders. Drug Court also provides a health cost saving; there have been over 50 drug free babies born to program participants in the last 10 years.

In closing, I would like to say that I am leaving the Drug Court in a good place for continued success. I know it will remain one of the best programs in the country and a model court. This is my life's work and I will keep on being involved with our non-profit The Shelby County Drug Court Foundation to support the program.





## Judge Bratten Cook Retires from DeKalb County Recovery Court

DeKalb County's General Sessions and Juvenile Court Judge Bratten Cook, II retired August 31, 2022. Judge Cook served close to 24 years and expressed his pride of the Adult Recovery Court recently when speaking with WJLE Radio. To read the complete posted interview, go to [Dwayne Page Reports on Judge Bratten Cook](#).

*"I am extremely proud of our Adult Recovery Court, which we implemented about 15 years ago. It is the most important program that I started as judge. It used to be called Drug Court. We still perform the same function; the State just changed the name. I have asked a hundred times over the years, "Do you want to pay \$20,000 a year to house each person in the DeKalb County Jail, or do you want to pay about \$5,000 a year to treat them so they can become clean and sober and responsible citizens?"*

Judge Cook has been practicing law for 41 years and will continue to practice after retiring from the bench. Below are pictures from his retirement celebration in appreciation of his 19 years of dedication to the DeKalb County Recovery Court.





Recovery Court graduate, Casey, with Connie Martin and Judge Martin. Photo by John McBryde

## **Judge James Martin Retires from the 21<sup>st</sup> District Recovery Court**

Judge James Martin retired from the bench after dedicating eight years to the 21<sup>st</sup> District Recovery Court. On August 2<sup>nd</sup> staff hosted a retirement celebration following a Recovery Court graduation, with past graduates also in attendance to express their gratitude to Judge Martin.

Brentwood Home Page posted an article on the commemoration with Connie Martin, Program Director for the Recovery Court, speaking to Judge Martin about the importance of his work.

“You have such compassion and really believe in what we do and what we’re trying to do as a Recovery Court for these graduates [and participants].” “Always know that you have done an incredible job here and we will definitely miss you.” The reporter also quoted Judge Martin’s closing remarks, “I thought I had worked hard as a lawyer and a judge, but the work I did pales in comparison to the work you do.” Judge Martin continued, “When I see the struggles our participants go through, the journey that they make, the hard work they have to put in to succeed, it truly humbles me. I hope all the participants carry their recovery as a badge of honor, not a badge of shame. Your recovery should be a great source of pride for all of you.” Judge Martin added, “So to allow me to make this journey with you, and with each and every participant that’s been successful, has been an incredible honor.”

Judge Martin also retired as the 21<sup>st</sup> Judicial District Circuit Judge at the end of August after serving for 14 years. Go to [John McBryde Article on Judge Martin](#).



## **And Now to New Beginnings!**



*Ezra David Martinez was born on August 1, 2022 to proud parents Anne Bratton Horn and Jonathan Martinez. Welcome to the world Ezra and heartfelt congratulations to your mom and dad!*



## Recovery Ecosystem Index Mapping Tool

I am excited to share with you all the news of the launch of the Recovery Ecosystem Mapping Tool. Dr. Pack, along with his team at ETSU, and in partnership with NORC at the University of Chicago and the Fletcher Group developed this mapping tool “that enables users to measure the strength of substance use recovery ecosystems for every county in the United States and explore associations with overdose deaths and other sociodemographic and economic factors.”

Please see the press release below and the following summary and handout for more details on this invaluable new data resource.

Marie Crosson, PhD, Executive Director, Tennessee Association of Recovery Court Professionals

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### News Release

Office of University Marketing and Communications

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September 14, 2022

*Article available to share via [ETSU News](#)*

### **Fletcher Group, NORC and ETSU Launch Substance Use Recovery Tool**

*The Recovery Ecosystem Index Mapping Tool Enables Free County-Level Exploration of Data across the United States*

CHICAGO (Sept. 14, 2022) —Today, NORC at the University of Chicago, East Tennessee State University (ETSU), and the [Fletcher Group, Inc.](#) released a [mapping tool](#) that enables users to measure the strength of substance use recovery ecosystems for every county in the United States and explore associations with overdose deaths and other sociodemographic and economic factors. The term “recovery ecosystem” is used to describe the factors in a community that support individuals in recovery from substance use disorder.

The Recovery Ecosystem Index Mapping Tool integrates the Recovery Ecosystem Index, overdose mortality rates, and data on poverty, education, and other demographic factors for counties in each of the 50 states. Users can compare county-level information to the rest of their state and to the nation. The tool allows community organizations, policymakers, researchers, substance use treatment providers, other decision-makers, and the general public to explore county-level maps and create data dashboards to understand these factors in their communities and where additional resources are most needed to provide support to individuals in recovery. Insights derived from this tool can be used to target resources and interventions to enhance recovery ecosystems.

“This will be a game-changer for recovery allies all across the country,” said Dr. Ernie Fletcher, Founder and Chief Medical Officer of the Fletcher Group. “Instant access to highly detailed information will help them work much more efficiently and effectively. That’s especially important because recovery ecosystems involve so many moving parts and rely so heavily on local resources. Recovery housing is the logical first step—that’s why we’re so dedicated to it—but many other resources and services must be in place as well. Having a quick, accurate, and detailed snapshot of what’s available—and what’s missing—will be a godsend, especially in the rural communities we serve.”

## Recovery Ecosystem Index Mapping Tool

A strong recovery ecosystem reflects county-level efforts to provide supportive services and environments for individuals to help them maintain active recovery. The mapping tool incorporates the newly developed Recovery Ecosystem Index, which is a measure designed to reflect the strength of the substance use recovery ecosystem of a county. The tool is being released in observance of National Recovery Month, which is a national observance held every September to increase public awareness surrounding mental health and substance use recovery.

### About the Recovery Ecosystem Index Mapping Tool

The Recovery Ecosystem Index Mapping Tool is the first-ever interactive data visualization tool that measures the strength of recovery ecosystems across the United States. Developed by NORC, ETSU, and the Fletcher Group, Inc., the tool allows users to explore the Recovery Ecosystem Index and its underlying indicators. The index comprises 14 indicators that impact the strength of a recovery ecosystem, organized into three components: SUD Treatment, Continuum of SUD Support, and Infrastructure and Social Factors. The tool also allows users to create data overlays that show the association between the Recovery Ecosystem Index and factors such as overdose mortality rates and sociodemographic and economic factors, such as poverty rate, education, and race/ethnicity, among others.

“At NORC, we understand the power of data in the hands of local decision makers,” said Caitlin Oppenheimer, Director of the Public Health Research Department at NORC. “We also know that substance use disorder is one of the greatest public health challenges our nation faces. Combining data visualization expertise, community-based research capacity, and technical assistance experience, we have developed a tool that provides communities with important information about the strength of their local recovery ecosystem and will guide them towards strategies to better support individuals in recovery.”

“Located in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains, East Tennessee State University is surrounded by unparalleled beauty, vibrancy, and diversity. And yet, our region has been disproportionately impacted by the opioid crisis,” said ETSU President Dr. Brian Noland. “This tool will help our community, and communities across the nation, to identify resources and services that will support individuals on their recovery journey. We are proud to have contributed the experience and expertise of our Addiction Science Center and our Center for Rural Health Research to such an important endeavor.”

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### About Fletcher Group, Inc.

To help protect rural families and communities from the ravages of opioid and substance use, the Fletcher Group 501c3 not-for-profit researches and provides best-practice technical assistance to expand the quality and capacity of recovery housing as well as the evidence-based services needed for long-term recovery. To learn more about the innovative “recovery ecosystem” model and the technical assistance that may be available to you free of charge, visit [www.fletchergroup.org](http://www.fletchergroup.org).



## Recovery Ecosystem Index Mapping Tool

### **About NORC at the University of Chicago**

NORC at the University of Chicago conducts research and analysis that decision-makers trust. As a nonpartisan research organization and a pioneer in measuring and understanding the world, we have studied almost every aspect of the human experience and every major news event for more than eight decades. Today, we partner with government, corporate, and nonprofit clients around the world to provide the objectivity and expertise necessary to inform the critical decisions facing society.

[www.norc.org](http://www.norc.org)

NORC is home to the Walsh Center for Rural Health Analysis, a research center dedicated to improving health and well-being in all of our nation's rural and remote communities. You can find more information on the center [here](#).

### **About East Tennessee State University**

East Tennessee State University (ETSU) is a public university located in the Northeast Tennessee region bordered by Kentucky, North Carolina, and Virginia. With over 100 years of experience improving the lives and well-being of individuals and communities, ETSU has grown to be a national leader in addressing key health issues through education, research, and service. ETSU is home to a robust Academic Health Sciences Center—ETSU Health—and over 10 centers with diverse research and service interests, including the ETSU Center for Rural Health Research and the ETSU Addiction Science Center.

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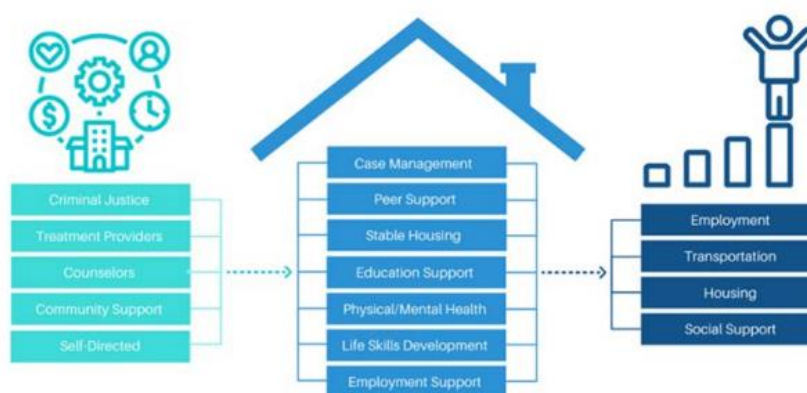
# Recovery Ecosystem Index Mapping Tool

The **Recovery Ecosystem Index** was developed with support from a Technical Expert Panel (TEP) convened by the ETSU/NORC Rural Health Equity Research Center (RHERC) and Fletcher Group, Inc. The Recovery Ecosystem Index provides a single numerical measure designed to reflect the strength of the substance use recovery ecosystem of a county. The **Recovery Ecosystem Index Mapping Tool** allows community organizations, policymakers, researchers, substance use treatment providers, and the general public to create county-level maps to understand these factors in their communities and where additional resources are most needed to provide support to individuals in recovery. Insights derived from this tool can be used to target resources and interventions to enhance recovery ecosystems.

## Recovery Ecosystem

Millions of individuals are estimated to have a substance use disorder (SUD), contributing to serious health, social, and economic consequences. Ensuring services and resources to support individuals in recovery from substance use disorders is good for our residents, our communities, and our economies. The term "Recovery Ecosystem" is used to describe the community-level factors that are in place to support individuals in recovery from SUD. Models that identify elements of strong recovery ecosystems have been developed.<sup>1,2</sup> Examples of key features include access to treatment services, recovery residences, harm reduction programs, employment opportunities, and prevention organizations.

### How A Recovery Ecosystem Creates Recovery Capital



<sup>1</sup> Ashford, Robert D., Austin M. Brown, Rachel Ryding, and Brenda Curtis. "Building Recovery Ready Communities: The Recovery Ready Ecosystem Model and Community Framework." *Addiction Research & Theory* 28, no. 1 (January 2, 2020): 1–11. <https://doi.org/10.1080/16066359.2019.1571191>

<sup>2</sup> Behringer, Bruce. "Responding to Appalachian Voices: Steps in Developing Substance-Use Recovery Ecosystems." *J Appalach Health* 2, no. 3 (2020): 117–32. <https://doi.org/10.13023/JAH.0203.10>.



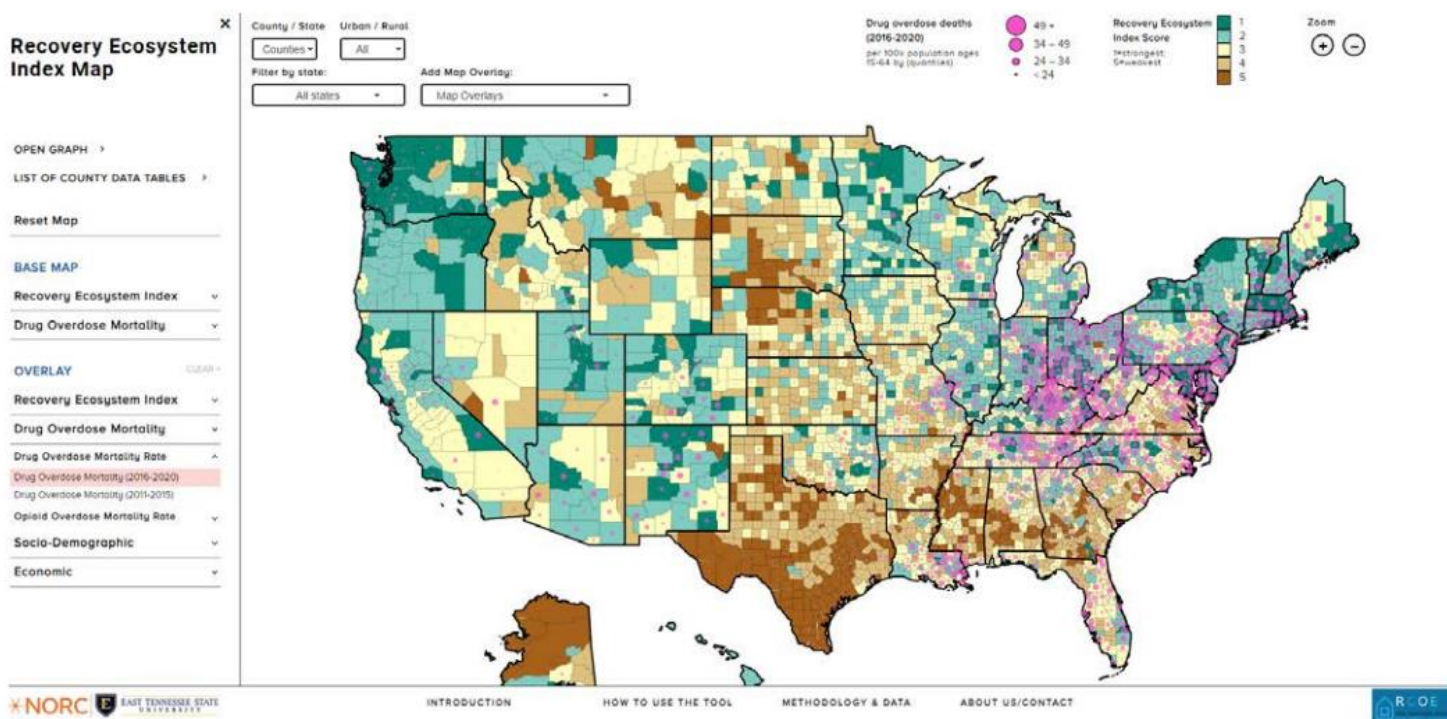
# Recovery Ecosystem Index

The index was designed to measure the strength of rural county-level recovery ecosystems, and provide data to support community planning, programming and technical assistance to strengthen recovery ecosystems throughout the rural United States. The index is broken down into three components that impact the strength of a recovery ecosystem: SUD Treatment; Continuum of SUD Support; and Infrastructure and Social Factors. To be included in the index, data must be available and reported consistently at the county-level. For the overall Recovery Ecosystem Index score, 1 represents the strongest and 5 represents the weakest recovery ecosystem.

- The SUD Treatment component includes the number of substance use treatment facilities per capita, number of providers licensed to administer buprenorphine per capita, average distance to nearest medication-assisted treatment (MAT) provider, and the number of mental health providers per capita.
- The Continuum of SUD Support component includes the number of recovery residences per capita, average distance to nearest syringe-service program (SSP), number of Narcotics Anonymous (NA) or Self-Management and Recovery Training (SMART) meetings per capita, drug court presence, Drug-Free Communities Coalition grant presence, and state-level policy environment score.
- The Infrastructure and Social Factors component includes vehicle availability, severe housing cost burden, broadband access, and social associations per capita.

## Recovery Ecosystem Index Mapping Tool

The Recovery Ecosystem Index Mapping Tool allows users to create overlays and explore how the Recovery Ecosystem Index correlates with other data, including drug overdose mortality, and socio-demographic and economic indicators.



The tool also provides county fact sheets which include all data included in the mapping tool. These fact sheets provide county-level data for all indicators and comparisons to state and national data. These can be printed or emailed to share data with decision-makers and stakeholders working to assess the needs and existing resources of specific communities.

## Bath County, KY

### Recovery Ecosystem Index Score

**1.0** 1=strongest; 5=weakest

**12,421** Population (Rural)

Hover over a variable in the data table, and its definition will appear below

Select data table: Recovery Ecosystem Index

Print Data Tables

Component	Score	Sub-Component	Bath County, KY	Kentucky	United States
SUD Treatment	1	Substance Use Treatment Facilities per 100k	16.1	10.5	4.3
		Buprenorphine Providers per 100k	24.2	22.7	15.2
		Average Distance to Nearest MAT Provider (miles)	6.5	N/A	N/A
		Mental Health Providers per 100k	297.9	258.7	284.4
Continuum of SUD Support	1	Recovery Residences per 100k	8.1	2.2	1.0
		Average Distance to Nearest SSP (miles)	17.5	N/A	N/A
		NA or SMART Meetings per 100k	8.1	8.3	8.1
		Is there a Drug-Free Communities Coalition?	No	18.3%	15.6%
		Is there a Drug Court?	Yes	47.5%	48.2%
		State SUD Policy Environment Score (10=highest; 0=lowest)	6.0	6.0	N/A
Infrastructure and Social	4	One or More Vehicles	91.6%	93.0%	91.5%
		Broadband Access	76.3%	81.6%	85.2%
		Social Associations per 10k	4.0	9.6	8.7
		Severe Housing Cost Burden	8.8%	11.2%	13.0%

The fact sheet also includes a summary of state-level policies that impact the substance use recovery environment.

#### State Policies:

Policy	Kentucky
Does the law provide protection from probation or parole violations?	No
Does the jurisdiction have a drug overdose Good Samaritan Law?	Yes (Ky. Rev. Stat. Sec. 218A.133) (Ky. Rev. Stat. 218A.133(2))
Is reporting an overdose considered a mitigating factor in sentencing?	No
Does the state require commercial insurers to provide coverage for MOUD?	No
Does the state Medicaid plan include coverage for behavioral health supports for MOUD?	Yes (1115 Waiver)
Does the state have an approved Medicaid State Plan Amendment to facilitate the provision of MOUD?	No
Are licensed SUD programs required to facilitate access to MOUD programs?	Yes (908 Ky. Admin. Regs. 1:374) (902 Ky. Admin. Regs. 20:111)
Does state law allow for the operation of syringe service programs (SSPs)?	Legal
Does state law allow for the possession of syringes by SSP participants?	Yes (Ky. Rev. Stat. Sec. 218A.500 Definitions for KRS 218A.500 and 218A.510; unlawful)

## Next Steps

Fletcher Group, Inc. and the ETSU/NORC Rural Health Equity Research Center will disseminate the Recovery Ecosystem Index Mapping Tool and solicit input for potential future enhancements to the tool. Additionally, we will attempt to validate the index and consider implications for the substance use recovery field.

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## TARCP Training Opportunities

October 26, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

The Role of Law Enforcement in Treatment Courts

Presented virtually. Please go to [TARCP Lunchtime Learning Series](#) to register.

*Please note that there are no sessions in March, July, November, or December. TARCP is a NAADAC approved provider. CEUs are available and we will apply for CLE approval.*

December 7-9, 2022

18<sup>th</sup> Annual TARCP Conference

Embassy Suites

1200 Conference Center Blvd., Murfreesboro, TN 37064

Please go to [TARCP Event Information](#) to register.



## Training Opportunities

Ethics and Practical Wisdom -- Nashville

October 19, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM CDT

TAADAS conference room, 1321 Murfreesboro Pike, Suite 155, Nashville, TN 37217

This session will introduce addiction professionals to ethics as it relates to their relationships with clients, families, employers, and the profession. The importance of confidentiality and the duties and responsibilities of people working within the field will be addressed. Duty to warn, self-disclosure, dual relationship, and differing professional roles will specifically be addressed during the session.

This is a foundational training for those newer to the field as well as those who may need a refresher and/or update and will include updates from the NAADAC code of ethics. Register at [TAADAS Training and Education](#).

Engaging Families in Treatment and Recovery

Presenter: James Campbell, LPC, LAC, MAC, AADC

October 19, 1:00-4:00 PM Central

TAADAS Conference Room, 1321 Murfreesboro Pike, Suite 155, Nashville, TN 37217

Families can be a tremendous influence regarding both substance use and recovery. However, it is often difficult for those serving people with substance use disorders to engage families. This session explores family dynamics, the impact of substance use within family systems, and how to engage families more effectively. It also offers an overview of clinical interventions. Register at [TAADAS Training and Education](#).



## **Training Opportunities**

### **Motivational Interviewing Training -- ADVANCED**

**Presenter: Alan Lyme, LISW, MAC, CCS**

**October 27-28, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Central**

**Advanced** Motivational Interviewing 2-day virtual training focus on the skill of empathic reflection, honing the skills of eliciting and solidifying deepening change talk, change planning, and preparing the participants will for ongoing practice and feedback. The second day of the Advanced training is a one-day introduction to the MITI 4.2 (Motivational Interviewing Treatment Integrity) coding and feedback system for those participants that had received coding/coaching. This will give each practitioner the tools to continue to develop and maintain their MI skills. Register at [TAADAS Training and Education](#).

### **2-Day Motivational Interviewing Training**

**Presenter: Alan Lyme, LISW, MAC, CCS**

**Nov. 1-2, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Central**

"Motivational Interviewing (MI) is a collaborative, goal-oriented style of communication with particular attention to the language of change. It is designed to strengthen personal motivation for and commitment to a specific goal by eliciting and exploring the person's own reasons for change within an atmosphere of acceptance and compassion."

*Motivational Interviewing: Helping people change. William Miller and Stephen Rollnick – 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed, 2013*

The scope of this training series, facilitated by Alan Lyme, LISW, MINT, is to provide core, booster, and advanced trainings for all frontline staff to provide the best and most cost-efficient method of moving towards competency in Motivational Interviewing. Towards that goal, for clinical staff that have been chosen and express a desire to reach proficiency in MI, coding of recorded work and individual coaching are integral components. Register at [TAADAS Training and Education](#)

### **Ethics for Clinical Supervisors**

**Presenter: Ed Johnson, LPC, LAC/S, MAC, CCS, CPRS**

**Friday, Nov. 18, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM Central**

Clinical supervisors are well acquainted with the ethical standards that define the counselor/client relationship in a behavioral health setting. But what about how those ethical standards pertain to the clinical supervisor/counselor relationship?

This didactic and experiential digital training will allow participants to explore the similarities and differences between the two relationships through the use of case studies and group discussion. Register at [TAADAS Training and Education](#)



## Accepting Nominations for the Ellen L. Abbott Vanguard Award Now through October 28, 2022



### The Ellen L. Abbott Vanguard Award

This award goes to a **person, team, or organization** meeting the following criteria:

- A demonstrated leader/advocate in criminal justice reform/reform implementation. Can be related specifically to recovery courts but not a requirement.
  - Has been instrumental in the implementation of a Criminal Justice Reform initiative or advocacy project.
- Demonstrates the qualities of a vanguard: the forefront of an action or movement; the group of people who are the leaders of an action or movement; the soldiers ... that are at the front of a fighting force that is moving forward.
  - Submitted by a TARCP Member.

*Words synonymous with vanguard include:*

*forefront, van, advance guard, avant-garde, spearhead, front, front line, front rank, fore, lead, leading position, cutting edge, driving force, leaders, founders, founding fathers, pioneers, architects, creators, instigators, trailblazers, pathfinders, avant-gardists, trendsetters, innovators, groundbreakers.*

Please describe in detail how your nominee meets the criteria of the award. Your nomination must be thorough enough for the review committee to understand why the nomination was submitted.

Nominations without explanation or detail about the nominee will not be considered. Please submit a photo of the person or people (if possible) with the entry. **All nominations must be sent to [nomination@tarcp.org](mailto:nomination@tarcp.org) no later than October 28, 2022 by 6:00pm CST.**

The award review committee of the TARCP Board will review the nominations and make a recommendation to the board. The winner will be announced at the Awards Luncheon at the TARCP Conference on Thursday, December 8th. Go to [Ellen L. Abbott Vanguard Award](#) for more information.



**We look forward to  
seeing everyone  
in December!**



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