

RESCUE RECOVERY

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ABOUT US

CONFERENCE OF WESTERN WAYNE

The Conference of Western Wayne (CWW) is an organization of 18 Western Wayne County communities that coordinates 9-1-1 services for its 730,000 residents and a 340 square mile region. CWW also represents its 730,000 residents by meeting monthly to discuss issues such as legislation, transportation, public safety, substance abuse prevention, community and economic development, employment and the environmental health of the region. Our board of directors is comprised of the chief elected officials from 18 member communities.

GROWTH WORKS

Established in 1971, Growth Works continues to provide our clients with extraordinary support as they navigate substance use treatment and the youth justice system. We are proud of our many accomplishments and successes in supporting youth and families with a variety of essential services. Growth Works' innovative programs and trauma informed focus is what sets us apart from other providers and has served Southeast Michigan for more than 50 years.

WHAT DOES A GROWTH WORKS PEER RECOVERY COACH DO?

- Help clients build a foundation of recovery by sharing lived experiences and introducing them to new ways of living/thinking/participating.
- Help clients gain recovery capital by connecting them to treatment resources, community support and ongoing recovery work.
- Help increase hope, motivation and provide accountability to support and encourage change.

CYCLE OF ADDICTION IN PUBLIC SAFETY

An appropriate and significant intervention is required to break the cycle

01 Person uses substances and requires an emergent medical response.

06 Resources are provided and/or patient leaves hospital AMA

05 Health care personnel consult with patient

02 EMS responds and provides lifesaving measures

03 Patient transported to local hospital for continued diagnosis & treatment

04 Patients can experience longer wait times depending on emergency room demand



WHAT MAKES RESCUE RECOVERY UNIQUE?

- Hospital and public safety partners are given a dispatch number to call when in need of a peer recovery coach.
- Growth Works responds to those calls 24/7/365 and dispatches a coach in less than 45 minutes.
- By responding so quickly with a highly trained professional, we have a 90% likelihood of breaking the addiction cycle and enrolling the patient in treatment.
- Growth Works peer recovery coaches continue to engage patient for up to one year after initial contact.

It takes significant resources to operate a 24-hour emergent response program and traditional funding pathways will not fund this work.

EMERGENT PEER RECOVERY COACHING

Total Contacts & Location (October 2024-August 2025)

