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The Honorable Margaret Wood Hassan 324 Hart Senate Office Building United States Senate Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Lisa Murkowski 522 Hart Senate Office Building United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Ben Ray Lujan 498 Russell Senate Office Building United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Hassan, Senator Murkowski and Senator Lujan:

On behalf of the millions of individuals in and seeking recovery and their loved ones, we are writing to express our strong support for the *Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Act* (S. 4301). This legislation will be key to addressing the unprecedented and growing number of Americans who are dying by overdose every year by increasing the Substance Abuse Block Grant's (SABG) authorization to \$3.2 billion and establishing a 10% set-aside for community-based recovery support services.

As proposed in the legislation, the set-aside would establish a dedicated funding stream for peer recovery support services that have not previously existed. Although funds spent on substance use disorder treatment in the SABG and the State-Opioid Response (SOR) grants are "eligible" to be spent on non-clinical recovery-oriented supports, there is significant variability in how each state determines how these funds will be used which has resulted with the majority of states and territories not investing in community-based recovery supports as deeply as needed to save lives. Additionally, definitions of treatment and recovery support and allocation of expenditures on each vary widely among states as documented in the December 2020 GAO Report to Congress.<sup>1</sup>

Unfortunately, in the absence of a dedicated funding stream, recovery has been woefully underfunded - resulting in an astonishingly low number of recovery support services, including just 200 collegiate recovery programs, 170 local communities with a Recovery Community Organization (RCO), and 40 recovery high schools compared to over 15,000 specialty addiction treatment programs or the over 5,000 prevention coalitions nationwide.

To dramatically reverse the troubling trend of increasing substance misuse and overdoses in our country, it is imperative that the response to the substance use disorder crisis evolves from an acute short-term individual-focused treatment response to a broader community recovery response where states and non-governmental organizations work in partnership to provide the entire continuum of care. The enactment of the peer recovery set-aside as proposed in the legislation would be an important component of that transition.

The undersigned organizations applaud you for introducing the *Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Act*. We hope that the Senate will move to expeditiously consider and pass this vital legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

# **National Organizations**

All Sober Association of Recovery Schools Association of Recovery in Higher Education Center for the Study of Drug Addiction Policy (CSDAP) C4 Innovations

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.gao.gov/assets/gao-21-58.pdf

C4 Recovery Foundation **Codependents Anonymous Community Catalyst** Entertainment Industries Council (EIC) Faces & Voices of Recovery Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation International Recovery Day, Inc. Legal Action Center LifeRing Secular Recovery NAADAC, The Association for Addiction **Professionals** National Alliance for Medication Assisted (NAMA) Recovery National Alliance for Recovery Residences National Association for Children of Addiction (NACoA)

National Center for Advocacy and Recovery for Behavioral Health (NCAAR-BH)
National Peer Recovery Alliance
National Rural Social Work Caucus
Oxford House
Partnership to End Addiction
Police, Treatment, and Community
Collaborative (PTACC)
Recovery Café
SAFE Project
Smart Approaches to Marijuana (SAM)
The Levenson Foundation
The Voices Project
Third Horizon Strategies
Treatment Communities of America

# Alabama

Friends of Recovery Alabama House of Fellowship People Engaged in Recovery
The Sumlin Foundation

Young People in Recovery

# Alaska

Recover Alaska

True North Recovery

#### Arizona

Arizona Peer and Family Career Academy Helping Ourselves Pursue Enrichment Prescott Sober Living LLC Sustony Sober Living LLC

# Arkansas

Breaking the Ties that Bind Lonoke County Sheriff's Office Positive Energy Affecting Recovering Lives The Parker Gill Foundation Wolfe Street Foundation

#### California

A New PATH (Parents for Addiction Treatment & Healing)

Addiction Recovery Communities of California ARCHway Foundation
Bay Area Nutrition, LLC

California Pan-Ethnic Health Network
Integrated Recovery Network
Mental Health Systems, Inc.
Momentum for Health

Palmer Drug Abuse Program (PDAP) of Ventura
County, Inc.
Peninsula Health Concepts
Recovery Cafe San Jose

SIMPLY SPACED
Sokya Health
Support Groups Central, Inc.
The Purpose of Recovery
University of California, Davis
Valley Sober Living
Voices of Recovery
Young People in Recovery - Inland Empire
Chapter
Young People in Recovery - Orange County
Chapter
Young People in Recovery - Palm Desert
Chapter

Young People in Recovery - Redding
Chapter
Young People in Recovery - Sacramento
Chapter

Young People in Recovery - San Diego Chapter Young People in Recovery - Santa Barbara Chapter

#### Colorado

Advocates for Recovery Colorado
Armour X Recovery
Auraria Recovery Community (ARC)
Beyond Betty
Colorado Artists in Recovery
Colorado Naloxone Project & Stader Opioid
Consultants
Embark Peer Coach Academy (PCA)
Hazelbrook Sober Living
High Rockies Harm Reduction
Jaywalker Lodge
KG Designs
Laurence Bacon Sales
New Pathways to Wellness and Recovery

Peer 180
Peer Coach Academy Colorado
Recover Simply
Recovery Road
Sober AF Entertainment
Springs Recovery Connection
The Compliance Alliance
Young People in Recovery - Adams County
Chapter
Young People in Recovery - Canon City
Chapter
Young People in Recovery - Cortez Chapter
Young People in Recovery - Denver Chapter
Young People in Recovery - Denver Chapter
Young People in Recovery - Durango
Chapter

#### Connecticut

Connecticut Community for Addiction Recovery (CCAR) New Canaan Parent Support Group New Life Houses

**Counseling Center** 

Recovery Branches
TriCircle, Inc.
Say Unkel Entertainment

# Delaware

Kohnling, Inc.

Recycled Books, Inc.

# **District of Columbia**

Aquila Recovery Clinic
District of Columbia Peer Support
Association

Reasons To Hope Foundation United States of Care

#### **Florida**

A Stepping Stone To Success
ABM Counseling Center LLC
Chainless Change, Inc.
Fellowship Recovery Community Organization
Fire Forged Recovery
Flagler Cares
Flagler Open Arms Recovery Services
Florida Recovery Schools
Floridians for Recovery
Florida Recovery Schools of Central Florida
Healthy Start Coal of Flagler & Volusia County
Liberation House

LSF Health Systems
Miami Recovery Project
Nehemiah Project
Palm Beach County Behavioral Health Coalition
Rebel Recovery Florida
Recovery Connections of Central Florida
Recovery Epicenter Foundation
Ryker Douglas
Shining Light Peer Services
South Florida Wellness Network
StrongWell
The RASE Project

# The RYAN Healing Center Volusia Recovery Alliance, Inc.

Your Doctor in Touch Zero Hour Life Center

# Georgia

DIVAS Who Win Freedom Center Inc
Freedom through Recovery Susan Ford
Recovery Community Organization, INC
Georgia Council on Substance Abuse
iHOPE Inc
Impact Recovery Connections
J's Place
Last Shot Recovery
LivingProof Recovery
NARdoc
No More ODs, Inc.
Our Integrity House Inc.
Paula Crane Life Enrichment Center

Peers Empowering Peers
People Living in Recovery Inc
R2ISE
Reboot Jackson
Recovery Bartow
STAND, Incorporated
the Arena
The Change Center
The Connection
The HUB of southeast Georgia
The ROCC
Woman with a Plan

#### Idaho

Center for Hope Latah Recovery Center Peer Recovery Supports of Idaho Phoenix House Sober Living Recovery Community Development Co.
Recovery in Motion
Recovery United, Inc.
Recovery Voices of Idaho

# Illinois

Bridgeway
Brighter, Behavior, Choices Inc.
Chicago Recovering Communities Coalition
Encounter Medical Group, PC
Live4Lali
Lyons Township Mental Health Commission

Northern Illinois Recovery Community
Organization
Take Action Today
Transforming Educating & Empowering Children
and Humanity (TEECH)
United Mental Health and Addiction Recovery
Coalition (UMARC)

# Indiana

1 Voice
5K Bird Walk for Recovery
Dismas House of Indiana
Hope Academy
Indiana Addictions Issues Coalition
Indiana Center for Recovery
Integrative Wellness
Jay County Drug Prevention Coalition, Inc.
Mental Health America of Indiana
Mental Health America of Indiana Emberwood Center

Minority Recovery Collective Inc.
Next Step Foundation, Inc
PACE, Inc.
REAL Recovery
Recovery Cafe Indy
Recovery United, Inc.
Safe Haven Recovery Engagement Center
The Artistic Recovery
The Papa House
THRIVE
Two Twenty Eight Club Inc.

#### Kansas

# Southeast Kansas Substance Misuse Prevention Coalition

# Working Men of Christ

# Kentucky

Achieving Recovery Together, Inc Louisville Recovery Community Connection (LRCC)

Newness of Life

New Canaan Parent Support Group
PAR - People Advocating Recovery
Recovery Café Lexington
Voices of Hope - Lexington, Inc.
Young People in Recovery – Danville

Chapter

Young People in Recovery - Grayson

Chapter

Young People in Recovery – Harrodsburg

Chapter

Young People in Recovery - Lexington

Chapter

Young People in Recovery - London Chapter Young People in Recovery - Louisville Chapter Young People in Recovery – Morehead Chapter

Young People in Recovery – Nicholasville

Chapter

Young People in Recovery - Pikeville

Chapter

Young People in Recovery - Paducah

Chapter

Young People in Recovery – Richmond

Chapter

Young People in Recovery – Somerset

Chapter

Young People in Recovery - Springfield

Chapter

Young People in Recovery – Winchester

Chapter

#### Louisiana

Saint Louis University Collegiate Recovery
Community

Southeastern Louisiana University

# Maine

Coastal Recovery Community Center Portland Recovery Community Center

True Nature Recovery Counseling

# Maryland

CMS Institute of Addictionology, Inc HARBEL Community Organization Hope House Treatment Centers Maryland Peer Advisory Council (MPAC)
Wells House Inc
Voices of Hope, Inc.

# Massachusetts

Axis Building Corporation
Bay State Community Services
BECCA Foundation
City of Revere
Groups Recover Together
Harvard Medical School
Mass General Hospital
Mass General Brigham - Pentucket Medical
Association

Massachusetts Organization for Addiction
Recovery, Inc
One Shared Spirit
Outlook Associates of New England
ServiceNet
Turning Point Recovery Support Center - Bay
State Community Services
Young People in Recovery - Berkshires Chapter
www.right-turn.org

# Michigan

Bear River Health
Beginning Step
Community Recovery Alliance, Inc.
Detroit Recovery Project, Inc.
Emmanuel House
Green Tara Holistic Recovery
Jackson Area Recovery Community
Lifeboat Addiction Recovery Services

Live Rite Structured Recovery Corp Recovery Advocates in Livingston, Inc. Michigan Association of Recovery Residences, Inc.

Self Help Addiction Rehabilitation (SHAR)
Serenity House of Flint
Southwest Michigan Behavioral Health

#### Minnesota

A. Reed Holtum Solutions
Beyond Brink
Bold North Recovery and Consulting
Doc's Recovery House
Face it Together Bemidji
Minnesota Hope Dearlz Organization
Minnesota Recovers
Minnesota Recovery Connection
Niyyah Recovery Initiative
Nystroms & Associates
Recovery Alliance Duluth

Recovery Community Network
Recovery Is Happening
Refocus Recovery
Rise Up Recovery
Sage Prairie Clinic
Sage Prairie Community Services
ServeMinnesota
Will Work for Recovery
White Bear Lake Area Learning Center/Insight
Recovery School

# Missouri

**ARCHway Institute** Ark of Safety Center, Inc,. **ASCENT Recovery** Assisted Recovery Centers of America Benilde Hall Better Life in Recovery Center for Disease Control Foundation Child and Family Empowerment Center **Counselors Obediently Preventing Substance** Abuse (COPS) Community Partners in Prevention FaithWalk Ministry, Inc. Fellowship of Acceptance Footprints Inc. Goliath House Hanani House **Harvest Outreach** Healing House, Inc. **Hi-Tech Charities Higher Ground Recovery Center Humanity Speaks** In2Action Lily's House

LIV Recovery Sober Living Mission Gate Christian Center Mission Gate Ministry Mission Missouri Missouri Coalition of Recovery Support Providers (MCRSP) **Ozark Recovery Housing** Pieces Peaces Powerhouse Community Development Coorporation Preferred Family Healthcare PreventEd Rise and Shine Foundation, Inc. Recovery Lighthouse, Inc. **Recycling Grace Womens Center** StepOne Service Springfield Recovery Community Center **Starting Point Outpatient Services LLC** Simmering Center Stepping into the Light STL Recovery Fun Straight Street The Embassy, Inc.

The Healing House and New Beginnings

We Do Recover Community Center

# Mississippi

Mississippi State University Collegiate Recovery Community

Southern Recovery Advocacy

# Nevada

Foundation for Recovery Heart2Heart Rural Remedy
There is No Hero in Heroin

# **New Hampshire**

Addiction Recovery Coalition of New Hampshire
Greater Tilton Area Family Resource Center
Harbor Care
Hope for New Hampshire Recovery
Keene Serenity Center
Mt. Washington Valley (MWV) Supports
Recovery Coalition
Navigating Recovery of the Lakes Region
New Futures
New Hampshire Coalition of Recovery

Residences

North Country Serenity Center
Plymouth Area Recovery Connection
REALITY CHECK INC
Revive Recovery Resource Center
Sharing With Out Shame
SOS Recovery Community Organization
The Serenity Center
TLC Recovery
White Horse Recovery

# **New Jersey**

CASA of Union County
Center for Addiction Recovery, Education and
Success (CARES)
Community in Crisis
Hansen Foundation
Hufnagel Holistic Solutions
Mainstream Recovery

New Jersey Alliance of Recovery Residences
New Jersey Association of Mental Health and
Addiction Agencies, Inc.
The Center for Great Expectations
Recovery is Essential (RIE)
Sea Change Recovery Community Organization
Xodus Recovery Community Center

# **New Mexico**

Hozho Center for Personal Enhancement Rio Grande Alcoholism Treatment Program, Inc. SHE RECOVERS Foundation

#### **New York**

Bontsworld Foundation
Foundations Recovery Center
Friends of Recovery - New York
Friends of Recovery - Long Island (DBA Long
Island Recovery Association)
Friends of Recovery - Rockland
Friends of Recovery - Warren & Washington
In HIS Name Outreach, Inc.
Let's Talk SAFETY; Inc.
MASIICS/MADE inc.

Mountain Top Cares Coalition
Nick's Ride 4 Friends
Orange Recovery Community
Recovery Coach University
Recovery Houses of Rochester Inc
Rob Constantine Recovery Community and
Outreach Center
ROCovery Fitness
Samaritan Daytop Village

# Schoharie County council on Alcoholism and Substance Second Chance Opportunities, Inc

Staten Island for Partnership for Community
Wellness

#### **North Carolina**

Addiction Professionals of North Carolina
Aviation Family Fund
Methodist University, Fayetteville NC
North Carolina Higher Education Alcohol &
Other Drug Prevention and Recovery
Professionals
Project Lazarus
Recovery Communities of North Carolina
Recovery Community Of Durham

Reintegration Support Network
STW Counseling PLLC
Sunrise Community for Recovery & Wellness
TalkManTalk
Tia Hart Community Recovery Program
Trauma Resource Network
Wake Monarch Academy/Recovery High School
Wilkes Recovery Revolution, Inc.
Young People in Recovery - Greensboro Chapter

# Ohio

12 Step Life
Exodus Recovery Support Services LLC
Hope Recovery Community
Hope United
Hope Village, LLC
Northern Ohio Recovery Association
Ohio Citizen Advocates for Addiction Recovery
Sandusky Artisans Recovery Community Center

The Briermost Foundation
The Ethel Hardy House
The Phoenix Recovery Support Services
The Woodrow Project
Young People in Recovery - Cincinnati
Chapter
Young People in Recovery - Columbus
Chapter

# **Oklahoma**Oklahoma CART Association

# Oregon

4D Recovery
Alano Club of Portland
Harmony Academy Recovery High School
Oregon Recovers

Painted Horse Recovery
The Miracles Club Apartments
WomenFirst Transition & Referral Center

# Pennsylvania

Blairsville Support Group Against Drugs
Easy Does It, Inc.
ecoverycareers.com
FAVOR Laurel Highlands
FAVOR Western PA
Genesis House Treatment
Kolbe Academy
Lost Dreams Awakening
Message Carriers of Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania Recovery Organization Alliance
(PRO-A)

Queenship of Mary Church
Sage's Army, Inc.
Sparking Solutions LLC
Summerlot Marketing
Sync Recovery Community
The Bridge Foundation
The RASE Project, Pennsylvania
Treatment Trends Inc
Unity Recovery

#### **Puerto Rico**

Puerto Rico & Florida Recovery Training Academy

#### **Rhode Island**

Access to Recovery
East Bay Recovery Center
Parent Support Network of Rhode Island

Rhode Island Communities for Addiction Recovery Efforts (RICARES)

# **South Carolina**

Center for African American Recovery
Development
Colleton County Alcohol and Drug
(Pillars4Hope)
FAVOR Grand Strand

FAVOR Pee Dee, Inc.
FAVOR Piedmont
FAVOR Upstate
Midlands Recovery Center
Recovery Thrives

# **South Dakota**

**Recovery Communities of South Dakota** 

# Tennessee

Cumberland Heights -Still Waters Healing Housing Maury Prevention Coalition Rally Point Foundation
Recovery Ministries of the Episcopal Church
The GAAL House
Welcome Home Ministries

#### Texas

Anchor Recoevry Community Centers
Any Length LLC

APAA - Association of Persons Affected by
Addictions

Center for Recovery and Wellness Resources
Communities for Recovery
Doable Recovery Institute
Fireside Recovery
Gemini Recovery Community
Houston Recovery Initiative
Knucklehead Recovery
Linda Baxter Therapy

Monarca Community Chaplaincy / Recovery for
Everyone

Recovery Alliance of El Paso
Recovery Centered Living
Recovery Coalition of Texas
RecoveryATX
RecoveryPeople
Recovery On Course LLC
Rise Recovery
Rx Recovery
Texas Recovery Network Solutions
The House of Extra Measures-Men, LLC
The Network of Behavioral Health Providers,
Inc.
Thriving United
Two Roads Recovery
Willie Carter Outreach Center

Utah

Utah Support Advocates for Recovery Awareness (USARA)

OneVoiceHome

Punto de Partida

Young People in Recovery - Salt Lake City Chapter

Young People in Recovery - Houston Chapter

# Virginia

Culpeper Overdose Awareness
Georgia's Friends
Roads to Recovery, Inc
Rural Overdose and Outreach Team (The ROOT
Project)

SpiritWorks Foundation
The Chris Atwood Foundation
The McShin Foundation
Virginia Tech

# Vermont

In-Sight Healing
Journey to Recovery Community Center
Kingdom Recovery Center Inc.
North Central Vermont Recovery Center
Turning Point Center of Bennington VT

Turning Point Center of Rutland
Turning Point Recovery Center of Springfield, VT
Vermont Recovery Network
Vermont Roots and Wings Alliance

# Washington

The Communities Project
Hand Up Housing LLC
Hope Street
Trilogy Recovery Community

Washington Recovery Alliance
Whitman College
Young People in Recovery - Olympia Chapter

# West Virginia

Appalachian Recovery Alliance
Ascension Recovery Services
Freedom House Recovery Inc.
Kanawha Valley Collective
Lincoln County Community Outreach Program
Newness of Life
One Unique Recovery House, Inc

Recovery Point West Virginia
Seed Sower, Inc.
Southern Highlands Community Mental Health /
Concord University
West Virginia Alliance of Recovery Residences
West Virginia Sober Living
WVRECOVERS.ORG

#### Wisconsin

Families Fighting Addiction
Forward Brightly
HELIOS RECOVERY SERVICES LLC
Mandolin Foundation

Marinette County Group Home Next Steps for Change, Inc. Unity Recovery Services

# Wyoming

Curran Seeley Foundation Recover Wyoming