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The Honorable Patty Murray
Chair
Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee
428 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Richard Burr
Ranking Member
Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee
428 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Murray and Burr:

On behalf of the millions of individuals in and seeking recovery and their loved ones, we respectfully request that the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee include the *Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Act* (S. 4301) as part of any legislative package addressing mental health and substance use disorders that is considered this year. 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 Use Block Grant's (SUBG) 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.¹

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.

As the number of overdoses continues to climb in our country it is critically important that Congress respond with innovative solutions. Moreover, the response to the substance use disorder crisis must evolve 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 strongly support the *Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Act*. It is imperative that the HELP Committee and full Senate expeditiously consider and pass this vital legislation as part of any legislative package addressing mental health and substance use that is considered this year.

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
C4 Recovery Foundation
Codependents Anonymous
Community Catalyst
Entertainment Industries Council (EIC)

¹ <https://www.gao.gov/assets/gao-21-58.pdf>

Faces & Voices of Recovery
 Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation
 International Recovery Day, Inc.
 Kennedy Forum
 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
 SHE RECOVERS Foundation
 Smart Approaches to Marijuana (SAM)
 The Levenson Foundation
 The Voices Project
 Third Horizon Strategies
 Treatment Communities of America
 Young People in Recovery

Alabama

Friends of Recovery Alabama
 House of Fellowship

People Engaged in Recovery
 The Sumlin Foundation

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
Counseling Center

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 - Durango
Chapter

Connecticut

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

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

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

Center for Hope
Latah Recovery Center
Peer Recovery Supports of Idaho
Phoenix House Sober Living

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

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

Be Free KC

Georgia

Zero Hour Life 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

Recovery Community Development Co.
Recovery in Motion
Recovery United, Inc.
Recovery Voices of Idaho

Illinois

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

Indiana

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
 Know The Truth Prevention Program
 Minnesota Hope Dearlz Organization
 Minnesota Recovers
 Minnesota Prevention and Recovery Alliance
 Minnesota Recovery Connection
 Niyyah Recovery Initiative
 Nystroms & Associates

Recovery Alliance Duluth
 Recovery Café - Frogtown
 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
 Be Free KC
 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
 Cooperation
 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.

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.
Sparkling 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 Recovery Community Centers
Any Length LLC
APAA - Association of Persons Affected by
Addictions
Center for African American Recovery
Development
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
OneVoiceHome

Punto de Partida
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
Young People in Recovery - Houston Chapter

Utah

Utah Support Advocates for Recovery
Awareness (USARA)

Young People in Recovery - Salt Lake City
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