# Recovery Month & Suicide Prevention Month

September 2025











### Recovery Happens in San Mateo County

### **September is National Recovery Month**

- In San Mateo County, we celebrate it as "Recovery Happens" Month—a local tradition that highlights recovery, resilience, and wellness across our community.
- It celebrates people in recovery from substance use and mental health challenges, along with families, peers, and providers.
- Through the partnership of BHRS and community organizations like Voices of Recovery, we shine a spotlight on recovery and wellness as part of the larger behavioral health system of care.



### Why Recovery Month?

- Honors individuals in recovery, their families, and the providers who support them
- Reduces Stigma
- Provides Hope
- Builds Community
- Promotes Wellness







### How It's Celebrated in San Mateo County

Candlelight Vigil

Community Events

Awareness & Visibility

**Partnerships** 







### **RECOVERY HAPPENS**

Recovery is Real: Restoring Every Aspect of Life **CELEBRATING NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH** 







### **Candlelight Vigil**

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM 400 County Center, Redwood City, 94063



### **Breakfast & Walk of Hope**



7:00 AM - 9:30 AM Mezes Park

1027 Allerton St., Redwood City, 94063



### **Proclamation**



Resource Fair at 9:30 AM 400 County Center, Redwood City, 94063



### **Recovery Picnic**



10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Coyote Point Recreation Area 1701 Covote Point Dr., San Mateo, 94401



### **Recovery Dance**



6:00 PM - 10:00 PM Project 90 Friendship Hall 416 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave., San Mateo, 94401

Every September, we honor National Recovery Month - a time to celebrate the strength, pride, and resilience of our recovery community.

Voices of Recovery, in partnership with local organizations, invites you to a series of FREE community events across San Mateo County. These gatherings are open to everyone and offer a welcoming space filled with fun, resources, speakers, food, music, and entertainment.

Whether you're in recovery, supporting someone who is, or simply want to learn more, we welcome you to join us in celebration and connection

For more information, please reach out to us at info@vorsmc.org or (650) 980-1922











### Year Round Committment to Recovery

- Continued Peer-Led Supports
- Integrated Behavioral Health Care
- Inclusive Community Events

Recovery doesn't end with treatment—and it doesn't happen alone.







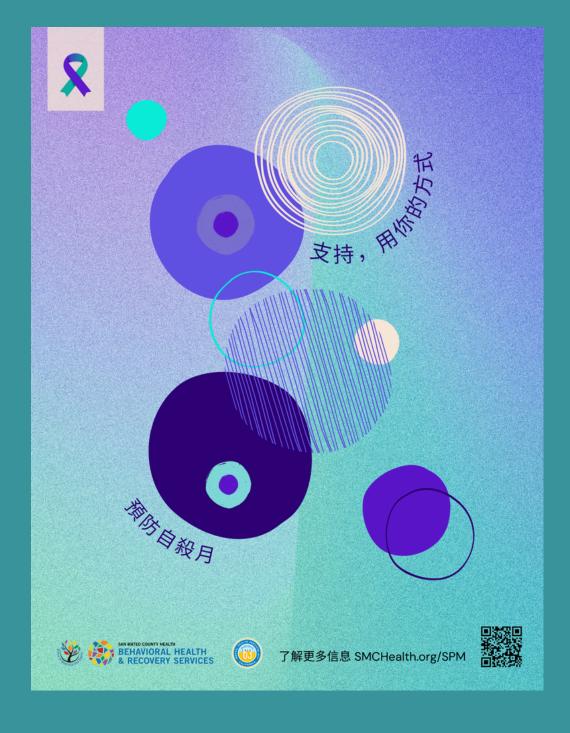




### Suicide Prevention Month









## Why Suicide Prevention Month?

- Suicide can be prevented
- Suicide impacts us all
- Talking about suicide saves lives









# How It's Honored in San Mateo County

- Events (In-Person and Virtual)
- Communication Campaign
- Proclamations (County and Cities)







**SAN MATEO COUNTY** 

### SUICIDE PREVENTION ROADMAP



2021 – 2026





### Year Round Committment to Suicide Prevention

- Coalition
- Strategic Plan
- Trainings
- Data and Evaluation
- Special Projects



















### Board of Supervisor Proclamations

Tuesday, September 9

9:00-11:00am (Estimated Time)

In-Person: 500 County Center, RWC

Zoom and Live Stream Available

More details posted Friday before at https://sanmateocounty.legistar.com/Cale ndar.aspx

### **Core Continuum of Care**



### Prevention and Wellness

Service: Includes services. activities and assessments that educate and support individuals to maintain healthy lifestyles and prevent acute or chronic conditions. like wellness checks and health promotion activities



### Outpatient

Services: Variety of tradtional clinical outpatient services like individual and group therapy, ambulatory detoxification services



### **Community Services**

& Supports: Flexible services that are designed to enable individuals to remain in their homes and participate in their communities, like supported housing, case managment, supported employment and supported education



### **Intensive Outpatient Treatment**

Services: Includes services such as **ACT (Assertive Community** Treatment) and substance use intensive outpatient services that are delivered using a multidisciplinary approach to support individuals with higher acuity behavioral health needs



### **Peer and Recovery Services:**

Services delivered in the community that can be provided by individuals with lived experience. including young adults and family members



### **SUD Residential**

**Treatment:** Provided in short-term residential settings to divert individuals from or as a step-down from intensive services



Crisis Services: Include a range of services and supports, such as crisis call centers, mobile crisis services and crisis residential services that assess, stablize and treat individuals experiencing acute distress



### Intensive Treatment

Services: Provided in structured, facility-based settings to individuals who require constant medical monitoring

### Restoring Every Aspect of Life

From prevention to recovery, BHRS restores every aspect of life through integrated, culturally responsive, person-centered mental health and substance use services for all.

Full directory of behavioral health services and programs in San Mateo County at <a href="https://www.smchealth.org/post/find-">https://www.smchealth.org/post/find-</a> behavioral-health-provider-program-or-service









### Support, Your Way

Tailored services to each client's culture, schedule, and personal situation.

**PHONE** 



Call 800-686-0101
Access Call Center

**ONLINE** 



Browse

SMCHealth.org/
BHRSServices

**IN-PERSON** 



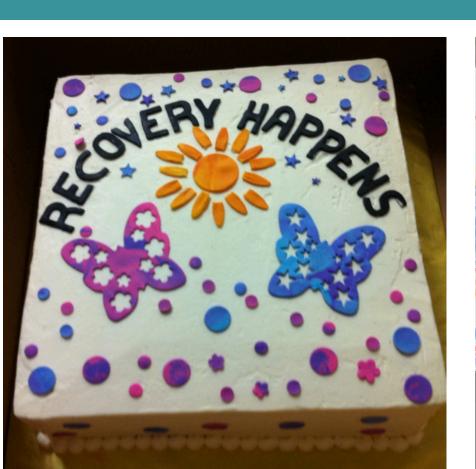
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Providers







### Our Stories | SMCHealth.org/Stories









# Victor's Voice of Recovery and Suicide Prevention





## CALL TO ACTION







Take action to promote recovery and suicide prevention in our San Mateo County community.

Attend a virtual or in-person event hosted by community partners.

Spread the word about free events and resources using our flyers, virtual backgrounds and social media posts

Take a free community training such as Wellness Recovery Action Plan, Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training, Mental Health First Aid and Be Sensitive Be Brave.