

Coulee Recovery Center Bridging the Gap Between Addiction and Recovery

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"Recovery wasn't easy, yet over time Coulee helped me learn to deal with life and the tools to cope. It helped me to give back to my community and want to help other who struggle with addiction."

Tasks

- crisis hotline
 - worked with individuals and helped them find resources that they needed
- created materials
 - made materials for various coalitions, organizations
- Taught lessons in schools
 - taught lessons from the "Too Good For Drugs" program
 - Worked with other nonprofits
 - helped host the event from the group "Rise Together"
- Directed the food pantry
- Worked at the Drop-In Center
- Attended Meetings
- Develoepd a PSA video



Coulee Council on Addictions was established in 1968 by a small grassroots group in La Crosse. It has expanded overtime and in the summer of 2018 the new "Coulee" Recovery Center" building opened.



Rise Together is a non-profit based from Appleton, WI. I got to work with the members first hand and watch them speak to various schools as well as the community. They thanked me publicly and were grateful for my time and effort I put into helping them for the week they were here to share their stories



I attended various meetings of different coalitions and organizations. One major group I worked with was the La Crosse County Prevention Network (LCPN). I was able to develop a drug and alcohol PSA video for them



I worked with various staff members as well as another intern from Viterbo. We were able to meet Tony Evers as he signed various bills at Coulee Recovery Center

Evers signed Acts 119, 120, 121 and 122 — which are part of the state's Heroin, Opioid Prevention and Education, or HOPE, program — during a ceremony at the Coulee Council on Addictions' facility





Evers thanked the interns for their hard work!

Services

- recovery drop-in center
- recovery coaches available
- provided breakfasts and lunches
- Hunger Task Force food pantry
- various meetings



Interior of the Coulee Recovery Center

Annual Events

Turned Leaf Family Festival





Turned Leaf Festival is a substancefree family friendly alternative to oktoberfest

Social Events

- Java Jam
 - an open mic for those who want to perform
- Karaoke
- Outdoor recreation program
 - an outdoor
 program on
 Sundays for those
 who want to get
 outside
- Crafting events
 - there are various women's craft nights and family craft nights
- Pool League
- Sunday Football Parties

Home run Event



This is an annual 5k/10k race used as a fundraiser for CCA. People run in support for those who are in recovery/passed away from addiction



Due to the CDC regulations and Statewide Mandates,

Coulee Recovery Center is CLOSED until further notice

Sorry for the inconvenience

All updates will be on our facebook page

Unfortunately, due to the coronavirus, the recovery center has been temporarily closed to the public. We will open the facility with open arms once we are safe and healthy from the pandemic!