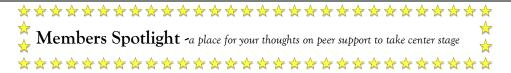
### STEPPING STONE & NEXT STEP

PEER SUPPORT & RESPITE CENTERS
JULY 2019

Stepping Stone 108 Pleasant Street Claremont, NH 03743 603-543-1388 Next Step 109 Bank Street Lebanon, NH 03766 603-448-6941

www.steppingstonenextstep.org



## Events and Trips—July 2019 through June 2020

July 2019: Picnic, Claremont or Lebanon

August 2019: Cornish Fair, Cornish

September 2019: Hampton Beach Seafood Festival, Hampton

October 2019: Haunt and history tour, Salem MA

November 2019: Ice Cream Social, Stepping Stone or Next Step

December 2019: Christmas Party, Stepping Stone or Next Step

January 2020: Game Day, Stepping Stone or Next Step

February 2020: Chinese Food, Claremont

March 2020: Pizza Hut Buffet, Claremont

April 2020: Billings Farm, Woodstock VT

May 2020: Nature Walk, Claremont or Lebanon

June 2020: Lake Sunapee, Sunapee

If you are interested in contributing a story, poem, or other idea, please call Shanon at 543-1388.

## WISH LIST

all holiday DVDs patio table digital camera



- Members who help with community meals.
- Members who donate to The Giving Room.
- Members for helping with the Newsletter.

If you know of a donation we haven't recognized, please see Shanon.



## **Community Meal Menus**

	<b>Stepping Stone</b>		Next Step
7/2	Chili dogs/chips Salad	7/3	Hotdogs/pasta salad Salad
7/9	BBQ Chicken/potato salad Salad	7/10	PB & J or Egg salad/chips Salad
7/16	Spaghetti/meat sauce/garlic bread Salad	7/17	Meatballs/elbows/garlic bread Salad
7/23	Chef's Choice Salad	7/24	Hotdogs/mac & cheese Salad
7/30	Egg salad finger rolls/chips/fruit salad Salad	7/31	Baked Chicken/stuffing Salad

### Recipe of the Month - Coconut Macaroons

- ➤ 1 can condensed milk
- ➤ 16-ounces unsweetened coconut flakes

Preheat oven to 350°F. In a small bowl, mix together coconut flakes and condensed milk. Scoop one inch size balls of coconut mixture onto greased baking sheet. Bake until tops are golden brown, about 8 minutes.



On the 3rd Friday of every month at Stepping Stone, we have a cake to celebrate all the birthdays in the month.

Please join us for cake and celebration.

## Giving Back

We believe it is important to give back to our communities. If you have an idea for community volunteering or donations, or if you volunteer and want to be recognized, please see Shanon. Here's what we're doing now:

Arbor View visit: In June, we planted seeds and shared about growing. That we need different things in order to grow. If you want to join us in July, please sign up at either site.

Claremont Fire Department: A Member volunteers to help outside.

Claremont Soup Kitchen: A Member volunteers putting together food boxes.

<u>Grafton County Senior Center</u>: A Member in Lebanon volunteers at the front desk and waitresses when needed. She also puts together meals for Meals on Wheels.

Meals on Wheels: A Member in Lebanon volunteers to deliver meals. A Member in Claremont helps package meals.

Sullivan County Health Care: Two Members go there periodically and do a sing-along with nursing home residents.

Turning Point Network: A Member offers to talk with folks that come. She supports them through difficult times.

Valley Regional Hospital: A Member volunteers to answers phones and direct people to where they need to go.

Woodlawn Nursing Home: A Member volunteers time once a week.



# **Picnic**

Saturday, 7/20, 12 –2 PM.

Claremont

Sign up for transportation from Next Step.

### Peer Respite in New Hampshire

The Stepping Stone Drop-In Center Assn.
108 Pleasant Street
Claremont, NH 03743
Telephone: (603) 543-1388

The Alternative Life Center (ALC) 6 Main Street, PO Box 241 Conway, NH 03818-0214 Telephone: (603) 447-1765

HEARTS Peer Support Center of Greater Nashua 5 Pine Street Extension Suite 1-G PO Box 1564 Nashua NH 03060 Telephone: (603) 864-8769

Monadnock Area Peer Support Agency 64 Beaver Street Keene, NH 03431 Telephone: (603) 352-5093

Consumer Council—There is no meeting in July.

## The Giving Room

Come browse items donated by Members which can be taken free of charge by other Members. Details are available at both Centers. Please contact Shanon or Amber before you drop off donations.

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### Location

1 Pleasant St., Suites 104 and 105 Claremont, NH 03743 603-287-7127

#### Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/pg/recoveryresourcecenter

We believe that the key to long-term recovery is a strong foundation of support and community. The Center is a communal space for individuals and families seeking support for substance misuse and addiction-related issues. We host an array of peer-based, non-clinical programs, and services including recovery coaching, support groups, educational workshops, and drug-free/sober community events.



Mon-Thu 8:30am-6pm Food Shelf opens at 9 am

713 Hartford Ave, White River Junction, Vermont ∞ 802-295-6500 info@uppervalleyhaven.org

-a non-profit, private organization that serves people struggling with poverty by providing food, shelter, education, service coordination, and other support.

#### **Southwestern Community Svcs**

96-102 Main Street Claremont, NH 03743 Phone: 603.542.9528 Toll Free: 800.529.0005

TTY-NH Relay: 800.735.2964





Please call the Sullivan County shelter at 542.3160 for more information about the Emergency Shelter Program or Housing Stabilization Counseling.



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24 Hours a day

7 Days a week

## Upcoming Events & Meeting

### Community Meetings

Stepping Stone, Tuesday, 1-2 PM Next Step, Wednesday, 1-2 PM

### NH Mental Health Planning & **Advisory Council**

Tuesday, 7/9, 9:30 AM-1 PM Fox Chapel, BMHS, Concord Please see information posted at both sites.

Newsletter Workgroup Monday, 7/8, 9:30-11:30 AM Stepping Stone Sign up for transportation from Next Step.

> Arbor View Connection Monday, 7/8, 1 PM Sign up for transportation from either site.

**Board of Directors Meeting** Wednesday, 7/10, 3:30-4:30 PM Stepping Stone Sign up for transportation from Next Step.

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DRC with Stephanie Patrick Wednesday, 7/17, 1 PM Next Step

<u>Picnic</u> Saturday, 7/20, 12-2 PM, Claremont Sign up for transportation from Next Step

Educational Event DRC with Stephanie Patrick Tuesday, 7/30, 1 PM Stepping Stone

Mission Statement: To support our mental health peers on their personal paths towards wellness within a community free from judgment where we share feelings, experiences, and tools in a respectful way.

Adopted 3/13/19

Our programs are funded in part by a SAMHSA Block Grant and the NH Department of Health and Human Services. Our supports are free to NH residents.

"I don't care how busy I am-I will always make time for what's most important to me."

> -Kevin Hart -born July 6, 1979



Suggestion Boxes are at both sites for your ideas and suggestions regarding the Centers. Please place your constructive suggestions in the box. Your name is optional.

## Board of Directors News

We're looking for talented and thoughtful volunteer Board members. If you can contribute your time and ideas and are interested in exploring this opportunity, contact Shanon Pyatt at 603 543-1388, and she will give your contact information to the Board member in charge of Board Recruitment.

## How to Reach Us

#### **Stepping Stone**

Phone: 543-1388
Fax: 543-0131
Center hours:
Sunday 11 AM—3 PM
Monday—Thursday 9 AM—4 PM
Friday Noon—7 PM
Saturday 11 AM—4 PM

### Next Step

Phone: 448-6941

Fax: 448-0702 Center hours: Monday—Thursday 9 AM—5 PM Friday 11 AM—6 PM Saturday 11 AM—4 PM

### Peer Respite

Our program is free to NH residents who meet the guidelines of being at risk for using mental health services, are already using mental health services, or are referred by other services. Call 543-1388 for more information.

### Peer Support Warmline

Our Warmline is available 4–9 PM, seven days a week. To reach our Warmline, call 543-1388. If calling long distance within NH, call toll free at 1-888-582-0920.



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