## **Giving Today Builds Hope for Tomorrow!**

## "Recovery is for every person, every family, every community"

In 2010 our late dear friend Steve Hale had an idea of bringing people in the community together to celebrate sobriety and to show others that there is life after addiction. Through Steve's vision along with the help of volunteers and local Celebrate Recovery Meetings hosted "A Day on the Green" at Trail Christian Fellowship. It was the desire of those in recovery to have an event to showcase that "Recovery is Possible" and to take the message of HOPE to families here in Southern Oregon.



Through the success of hosting this event, Steve had an idea of opening an addiction recovery center in Southern Oregon that would not only offer an option to clients with a Faith-Based approach, but also offer a unique approach at treatment services. Therefore, he reached out to CCAR (Connecticut Community for Addiction Recovery) and learned how to effectively use peers in recovery with real life experience in mentoring others through one on one peer based delivered services. So, in November of 2011 in a small 2 room office space (400 square feet) on the 4th floor of the historic Woolworth building in downtown Medford the Foundations for Recovery opened its doors offering a new yet unique approach at recovery treatment services.

If you've ever heard the expression "Walk a mile in my shoes," you know the essence of peer support services. Peer support empowers people living with addiction behavior challenges to receive support from someone who's "lived the experience." By sharing their experiences, strengths, knowledge, and hope, Certified Peer Recovery Specialists deliver this evidence-based practice in a method that conveys mutual respect and personal responsibility.

Since that summer day in July of 2010, we at the ROC Recovery Center continue to keep his vision alive by hosting our annual Strong & Courageous Recovery Festival. Although the title, format, activities of the festival has changed through the years, there is one message that has not, which is "there is life after addiction."



Because of your monthly financial gift, together we continue taking the message of HOPE that began over 14 years ago because of one man's idea that spoke to his heart through God's Word that says in Matthew 10:8 "....freely we have received, freely give."

WE DESPERATELY NEED YOUR HELP! Today I am asking for your prayerful and financial support so we can continue bringing hope to those that feel hopeless and love to those that feel unloved. Together we have a solution to bring healing and freedom to others. Would you consider becoming a monthly donor or perhaps sponsoring our upcoming Strong & Courageous Recovery Festival. Thank you again for your support!

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