

## YPR Chapters

Young People in Recovery (YPR) is a national grassroots advocacy organization focused on creating recovery-ready communities throughout the nation for young people in, or seeking, recovery. YPR aims to improve access to treatment, educational and employment opportunities, and secure, quality housing on the local, state, and national levels.

### **YPR Chapter Objectives:**

YPR Chapters work to make their communities recovery-ready by providing free services such as:

- Regular workshops to develop/improve skills that will support those in or seeking recovery
  - Employment
  - Education
  - Housing
  - Recovery Messaging
- Regular all-recovery meetings
  - An all-recovery meeting is an open support group for all who have experienced addiction, are affected by addiction, or support the recovery lifestyle. This meeting encourages all pathways of recovery to come together and build community.
- Advocacy, including town halls, asset mapping, rallies and other community organizing events
- Pro-social activities that may include:
  - Fitness-based outings (skating, hiking, yoga, etc.)
  - Substance use-free social events (tailgates, concerts, holiday activities, etc.)
  - Participation at conferences
- Fundraising in the community to support the Chapter

### **YPR Chapter Implementation:**

- Organize stakeholders, leverage community relationships and utilize social media to recruit Chapter Leaders and Members, while also developing a base of supporters
  - Leaders drive the Chapter's activities and dedicate around 5 hours per week to leading the Chapter
  - Members volunteer to make events successful and support the Chapter as their schedules allow
  - Supporters are community members who cannot necessarily volunteer their time, but support the Chapter's activities and can be called upon to act in various ways
- Chapter Leads regularly engage in training and are supported by their Regional Chapter Coordinator to develop their leadership skills and equip their communities
- Build infrastructure so standard Chapter operating procedures can be executed with fidelity