

## OUR STORY

YPR is a national nonprofit that provides peer recovery support services for youth and young adults in recovery—or who are seeking recovery—from substance use disorder. Our programs consist of community-based chapters; life-skills curriculum programs; and advocacy to reduce stigma and create more resources for recovery. By creating a national network of young people in recovery, YPR empowers young people to get involved in their communities and take charge of their futures.

## SUD STATISTICS

- More than 48 million Americans are living with a substance use disorder
  - Only 5% of them are getting the help they need
- 50% of people age 12 and older have used illicit drugs at least once
- Drug overdoses have killed more Americans in the past 24 years than all U.S. wars combined
- In 2021, nearly 5,000 Americans aged 15 to 24 died of an overdose.
- 62% of teenagers in 12th grade have abused alcohol
- Drug overdoses are now the number-one cause of accidental death in the U.S. with more than six in 10 deaths of young adults involving an opioid.

## MISSION

To provide the life skills and peer supports to help young people recover from substance use disorder and reach their full potential

## VISION

YPR envisions a world where all young people have the resources they need to thrive in recovery from addiction to drugs and alcohol



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## Strategies

### Outputs

### Outcomes

### Impacts

## WHAT WE DO

### Results

- Organize chapters to support youth & young adults
- Welcome all recovery pathways
- Foster inclusive outreach
- Empower young people & their allies
- Educate communities about recovery

- Life-skills workshops & curriculum programs
- All recovery meetings & pro-socials
- Social media, podcast, & e-newsletter
- Advocacy projects & harm reduction
- Collaborations with diverse stakeholders
- Community engagement
- Networking opportunities & professional development

- More community-based recovery resources for youth & young adults
- Less isolation & stigma; improved community & connection
- More young people in recovery who can advocate for themselves

- Improved health & wellness for young people in recovery
- More youth & young adults who will sustain long-term recovery
- Community & individual needs are fulfilled



Young People thriving in recovery!

## ADVOCACY PLATFORM

YPR advocates for public policy that supports all pathways to recovery and promotes health and healing. We seek to educate elected officials and community leaders at the local, state, and federal levels to support recovery in order to strengthen communities and save lives.

## KEY POLICY ISSUES

1. Increasing funding for recovery support services, including access to treatment, recovery housing, education, and employment.
2. Ensuring equal access to insurance coverage for individuals struggling with substance use disorder.
3. Providing healthcare and social services to people with SUD who are leaving the criminal justice system in order to prevent overdose deaths.
4. Supporting harm reduction policies that save lives and encourage recovery.
5. Educating communities on the importance of the Good Samaritan Law in protecting individuals from the law and saving lives.

## WHAT'S AT STAKE?

### Here are the Races for Congress in CO

- Congressional: Districts 1-8

### Here are the Races for CO State Senate and House of Representatives

- State Senate: Districts 2, 5, 6, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 23, 26, 28, 29, 31, 33
- State House: All Districts (65)

