

# Missouri Recovery Network

in Missouri is \$1,346. The estimated societal cost in Missouri is \$14,620 generated by an individual that goes untreated for an addiction. <sup>1</sup> Taken from the FY 2007 data from the

## Missouri Recovery Network (MRN) is a

statewide recovery advocacy coalition. Since 1999, the MRN has been mobilizing those in recovery and in the recovery community to speak out in order to help shape public attitudes, policies, and opportunities for those in recovery and/or seeking recovery from a substance abuse addiction.

## MRN's Vision: All Missourians with alcohol

and/or other drug use disorders are assured prompt, equal access to treatment & recovery support services allowing them to achieve and sustain recovery and be accepted as valued members of their communities.

## MRN's Mission: The Missouri Recovery

Network mobilizes those in recovery, their families and allies to help end discrimination, broaden social understanding about addiction and recovery, reduce barriers to and support recovery, and achieve an improved public response to alcohol and other drug use disorders as a public health crisis.



# What Does MRN Do?

- We help shape policies, attitudes and opportunities for all Missourians in recovery.
- We work to change public perception and focus on the fact that treatment works, recovery is real and is making life better for many Missourians.
- We shift the spotlight from the illness of addiction to the hope, health and healing of recovery.
- We acknowledge there are many different paths to recovery. Regardless of how people achieve recovery, their lives and the lives of those around them, are vastly improved.
- We identify and work toward eliminating barriers to treatment and advocate for adequate recovery support services for all Missourians.
- We strive to reduce the stigma and discrimination which keeps many people from seeking the help they need to get well.
- We empower and encourage recovering individuals to become active advocates, to become visible and vocal.
- We provide statewide recovery resources.
- We provide hope for the addicted community.

# How Can I Get Involved?

MRN is the only statewide recovery advocacy coalition. Membership is free. You may join online at [www.morecovery.org](http://www.morecovery.org).

**For more information about joining the MRN and getting involved in our advocacy efforts, contact us at 573-635-6669 or 877-669-2280.**

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