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# RecoveryWerks!

Changing the world through recovery one **under**served community at a time

#### Our Mission:

RecoveryWerks! provides proven recovery support services in a safe and nurturing environment for teens and families in rural communities affected by substance use. We educate, partner with local agencies, and advocate for strong community support systems to reduce the stigma of addiction and increase recovery success.



#### **Our Beliefs:**

Recovery works when there is a belief in a Higher Power.

Recovery works when physical, mental and spiritual issues are addressed as a whole.

Recovery works when clients are empowered to break the cycle of addiction and dependency through the 12 steps.

Recovery works in fellowship when clients feel safe and have access to education, counseling, sponsorship, and support groups.

All donations to
RecoveryWerks! are tax
deductible and have a huge
impact in bringing recovery to
teens and families in our
community.
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Thank you!

## **Two Minutes to Win!**



Your Voice Matters! Use it to nominate RecoveryWerks! to win an unrestricted end-of-year Impact grant from the McKenna Foundation.

Grant funding is based on community member nominations and why you think RecoveryWerks! deserves to be funded.

At RecoveryWerks!, we see young people come to value themselves, discover new passions, create goals, finish high school, and embrace a new way of life without drugs and alcohol. We see families restored as they learn healthy ways to communicate, deepen their faith in their Higher Power, and let go of shame and guilt. All this is a result of recovery and we believe our clients are worth every penny! If you think so too...please nominate RecoveryWerks! today.

# **Christmas Time is Here**

Zach Saunders, LCDC, Program Director

As the year winds down and the holidays arrive, I think of the people who support our mission and empower us to continue to serve the community in the capacity that we do. I'd like to take this opportunity to share what you made possible. It's hard to put into words, but these are just some of the miracles we have experienced in 2024 because of your support.

Our Young Adult staff visited the Comal County Jail's Day Treatment Program weekly to facilitate a recovery meeting. We were able to bring laughter and hope to people in a place that isn't funny. We swam in the river and the joy of our fellowship in the sun has led our group members to realize that it is possible to enjoy life without drugs and alcohol. We get to be the people we wished we had in our lives to listen to us, see us, and show us that we are safe in this place with these other flawed people, people who make mistakes but keep trying to do better.

The Youth Staff met every week with kids at alternative school. They also began counseling onsite at SJRC. Teens met weekly for groups and counseling. They continued to show up because they have built deep supportive connections with our staff and other group members. We saw the kids show each other how to be honest and vulnerable. We showed them how to grow up, and got to see ourselves through the formation of our groups.

We got to do so many cool things at our sober social events. We went on outings and had parties. We went to outside 12-step meetings and did karaoke. We ate pizza. Youth staff recently played paintball for two hours on a Friday night.

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### **Meeting Schedule**

Teens (up to 18):

Monday & Wednesday

790 Landa Street, New Braunfels

## Young Adults (18+):

Wednesday

12:30-1:30pm 790 Landa Street, New Braunfels

#### **Thursday**

7-8pm

790 Landa Street, New Braunfels

#### Family Members (18+): Monday & Wednesday

7-8pm \*

790 Landa Street, New Braunfels \*Call for Zoom option

#### **Thursday Education**

7-8pm in person only 790 Landa Street, New Braunfels

## **New Gens (Family members**

between 9-17) \*Must have a family member participating in the program

#### Monday

790 Landa Street, New Braunfels

Our services are available at no cost to clients because of generous individual donors and support from our community partners.











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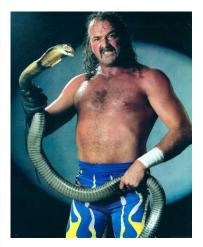


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Nobody used drugs and everyone had a good time. This is the kind of thing you help us do. We've had a fish fry and a few barbecues. We hosted an outdoor movie night in September for National Recovery month. We had a couple of rummage sales that were a hit. These events were a lot of work that somehow felt effortless in the moment because that is the beauty of service. We had a lot of help from our group members and community partners.

Last Summer, a group of our kids were able to attend the International Conference of Young People in AA. We had a blast on that trip. Several of them have remained sober since and have celebrated a year of continuous freedom from drugs and alcohol. During the holidays we stay open so the kids have a safe, fun place to hang out. We believe that the group members are the priority. That means having a good time sometimes is the most important thing for us to do. The kids are finishing up the semester strong get ready for winter break. We are getting ready for the holidays too. You, our supporters, made this year possible. Your support changed lives and likely saved a few too. Thank you!

# Jake "The Snake" vs. Addiction



March 14, 2025 @ McKenna Events Center A second generation wrestler, pop culture icon, WWE Hall of Famer, and current talent with AEW, Jake "The Snake" Roberts has seen and done it all over the course of a 40+ year career.

Jake has had a historic career in the ring, but his achievements don't stop there. He's also an accomplished actor, podcaster, motivational speaker, and businessman. Jake's appearances on television, movies, and stand up comedy have established him as a valuable commodity and celebrated storyteller, universally respected among fans and peers.

Despite years of personal struggles with addiction, Jake has not only overcome his own demons but has actively helped and inspired others on the road to recovery.

Join us for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity on March 14, 2025



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