



## About Our Coalition:

The mission of the Wayne County Recovery Coalition (WCRC) is to improve the health and safety of individuals and families in Wayne County through comprehensive, community-wide strategies that reduce and prevent youth and adult substance use, assure treatment services are available and accessible for all, and promote long-term recovery for everyone. WCRC was initially formed in 2019 when a task force was developed to look into the rising number of ER visits related to drug misuse and overdose deaths due to opioids in Wayne County. In September of 2023, the WCRC was awarded a Drug Free Communities Support Program (DFCSP) grant to prevent and reduce youth substance use.

**Partners in Wayne County are uniting in health, safety, and well-being:** Anchored, Boys and Girls Club of the Altamaha Area, City of Odum, City of Screven, Coastal Pines Technical College, Drug Court, Family Connections, Forward Digital Marketing, Jesup Police Department, Life, Inc., Mother's Against Substance Abuse, Press Sentinel Newspaper, Safe Kids, Shane's Crib, Share Health Southeast Georgia, Southeast Health District, St. Simons by the Sea, Wayne County School System, Wayne County Sheriff's Office, and Wayne Memorial Hospital. By combining resources and support as partners in prevention, Wayne County will become a safe and healthy place for youth and families to thrive and live life substance free.

## Youth Drug Prevention Capacity Building Workshop 9/9 - 9/10 2025

Join Share Health Southeast Georgia in partnership with:

Resilient Georgia, A&E Consulting, Waycross Family Justice Center, Magnolia House, and Greater Valdosta United Way for an in-person, two-day training to strengthen local prevention efforts across our region.

**Dates:** September 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> **Time:** 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM  
(Lunch Provided Both Days) **Location:** Waycross Family Justice Center 2201 Riverside Ave, Waycross, GA 31501

**What you will learn:**

- Practical strategies to grow and sustain drug prevention work
- How to engage youth and strengthen coalition teams
- Step-by-step planning model to guide your next moves
- Tips for pursuing the Drug Free Communities Support Grant

**Why attend?**

- Build stronger regional collaboration
- Strengthen Community Drug Prevention Programs
- Strengthen community-based prevention
- Gain tools for effective planning, funding, and sustainability

**ONLY 30 SPOTS AVAILABLE!**



**REGISTER  
NOW!**



Let's strengthen youth drug prevention efforts in our region!



**EVENT  
REMINDER**

### All Recovery Meetings

Every Friday at 6:30 PM  
177 N Brunswick St. Jesup GA

### WCRC Meeting

September 16<sup>th</sup> | 9:30 AM  
Odum Recreation Center  
7200 Odum Hwy, Odum, GA 31555

### Georgia Recovers Bus Tour

September 23<sup>rd</sup> | 6:00 - 8:00pm  
Wayne County Farmers Market  
533 N 1<sup>st</sup> St, Jesup GA 31545

The Georgia Recovers Bus Tour is coming back for a 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row! This year we celebrate hope, healing and strength of our recovery community. This event will include various ceremonies, free food, live music and MORE!





## September is a Month of Awareness and Hope

### National Opioid Awareness Day (September 21)

Opioid misuse and overdose have touched countless lives. National Opioid Awareness Day is about education, prevention, and compassion. Learn the signs of opioid misuse, understand how naloxone can save lives, and break the stigma around asking for help. Change starts when we talk about it—openly and without judgment.

### National Recovery Month

Recovery is possible—and worth celebrating! National Recovery Month honors the millions of people living in recovery from substance use and mental health conditions. It's a time to share stories, raise awareness about treatment options, and show that recovery isn't just about surviving—it's about thriving. Whether it's supporting a friend, learning more about resources, or joining a local event, you can be part of the movement.

### Suicide Prevention Month

Every life matters. Suicide Prevention Month encourages open conversations about mental health, breaking the silence that can keep people from reaching out. If you or someone you know is struggling, know that help is available 24/7 through the **988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline**. Even small acts—listening, checking in, offering kindness—can make a big difference.

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