RECOVERY CONNECTION

ROBERT F. KENNEDY, JR., SECRETARY OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, VISITS HOPE CENTER MINISTRIES



On August 5, 2026, the Bridge to 100 Network leadership had the distinct honor of sitting down with U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. and other senior HHS officials. The meeting was hosted at Hope Center Ministries' Goldsboro campus. The team traveled to North Carolina to see and learn more about the Bridge to 100 Network's faith-based, science-informed recovery framework. Dr. Monty Burks, the Director at the Center for Faith at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS Faith Center) arranged the visit. Dr. Burks and the HHS Faith Center advances faith-based and community partnerships that strengthen recovery systems, workforce pathways, and second-chance opportunities nationwide. His work focuses on integrating community-driven capacity with public systems to improve outcomes in behavioral health, reentry, prevention, and economic mobility.





NEW RECOVERY PROGRAMS ONBOARDED

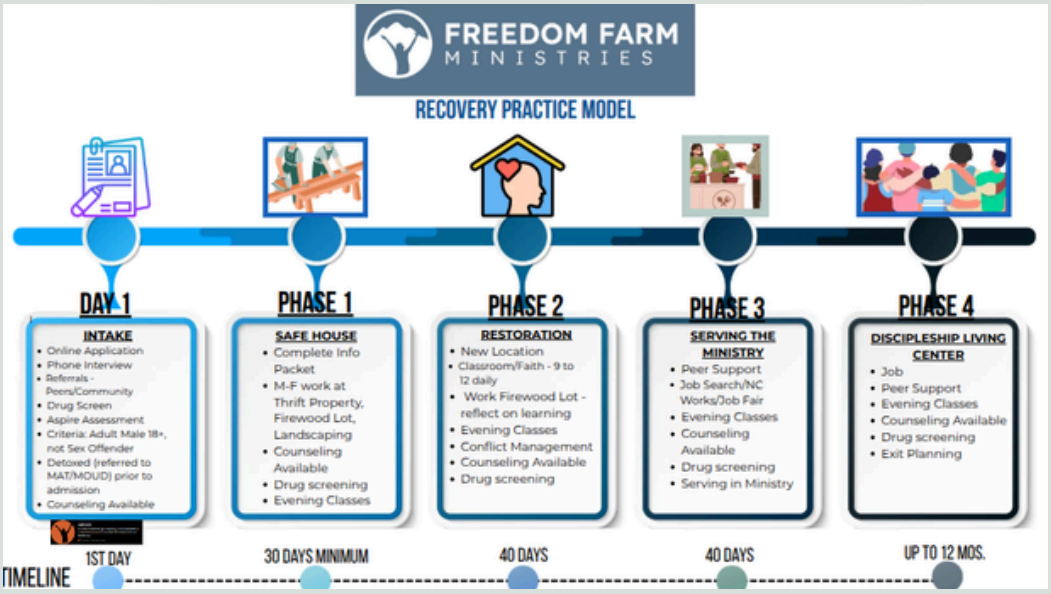
PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

As the Bridge to 100 Network research design model continues to be implemented across the state to Network members and affiliates, we want to highlight the recovery programs being on-boarded. In upcoming issues, we will continue to highlight the recovery programs that have been added to scale out the Network research design model of faith-based, science-informed recovery from three original Pilot Programs to twelve active programs.

Freedom Farm Ministries is located in Watauga County in Boone, NC. It offers recovery programming for men through a Christian drug rehab program dedicated to rebuilding lives and breaking the chains of addiction. Founded in September 2006 by Robbie Collie and his wife, Rita, Freedom Farm was a direct result of a life and heart changed by the peace of being released from addiction. Jim Quigley serves as the Executive Director.

Freedom Farm Ministries began with just three men in a renovated double-wide trailer. Today, it houses up to 45 guests in six locations with four unique program phases. Freedom Farm is a ministry serving people by helping them grow in a life centered in Jesus Christ. Hundreds have already received that new life, and many have renewed health, renewed reputations, and been reunited with family. Most importantly, they have gained a new or restored faith through repentance and belief in our savior Jesus Christ.

Freedom Farm's recovery program is one year long and has four phases: 1) Safe House, 2) Restoration, 3) Serving the Ministry, and 4) Discipleship Living Center (see the Recovery Practice Model below). Freedom Farm also offers a short-term recovery path within its Christian addiction recovery program: men can choose to complete just Phase One (the Safe House) and Phase Two (Restoration), providing a focused and impactful experience without the full year-long commitment. This alternative path allows for meaningful transformation in an average of four months.



"Freedom Farm Ministries has helped me change my life, and in the process I have grown so much closer to God and saved my life. God has restored relationships that I destroyed, and the brotherhood is like no other — the staff are all great people." — Resident quote

For more information about Freedom Farm Ministries click on this link:
https://freedomfarmministries.org/

BRIDGE TO 100 NETWORK UPDATES

The Bridge to 100 Network Project Design team continues to scale out the faith-based, science-informed recovery model to additional Network members. We began the project design with three pilot programs — Christian Recovery Centers, Inc., Ground 40, and Hope Center Ministries. We have now added nine more programs, shown in the graphic below, bringing the total to 12 recovery programs. We are actively engaged with the five elements outlined at the bottom of the page as part of the NC Collaboratory Research Design project.



RESEARCH DESIGN ELEMENTS



ASPIRE TRAINING & IMPLEMENTATION AT FREEDOM HOUSE



As part of the Bridge to 100 Network's commitment to supporting faith-based recovery programs across North Carolina, we have two ASPIRE facilitator/trainers, Joshua Raynor and Scott Brookes. They recently traveled to the Greensboro area to provide training and instruction for the staff at Freedom House. Joshua and Scott have upcoming ASPIRE training scheduled for Eden Village, Ron Barnes' Center, and Charlotte Rescue Mission. If you are interested in an ASPIRE and Project Design overview with your team — to learn more about the five design elements and the multidimensional assessment tool we are using to improve well-being — please email Karen Calhoun at calhounkc@gmail.com.



Freedom House exists to bring hope and healing to mothers struggling with addiction, and to the children affected by it. Our mission is to provide Christ-centered, long-term recovery that breaks the cycle of addiction and equips families to thrive.

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FreedomHouse

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ASPIRE DATA DASHBOARD

3,081 STOPLIGHTS TO DATE!

Stoplights

3,081 Stoplights

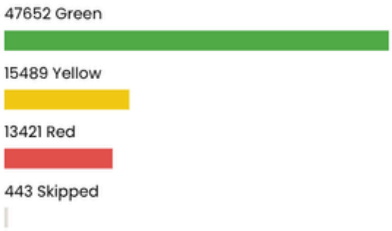
1,489 Baseline surveys
1,592 Follow-up surveys

Stoplight Overview



2357 Priorities

593 Achievements



Dimensions

6 DIMENSIONS OF WELL-BEING



Income and Employment



Health and Environment



Housing and Infrastructure



Education and Culture



Participation and Belonging



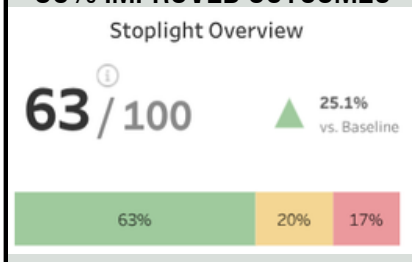
Motivation and Goals

% Change by Indicator

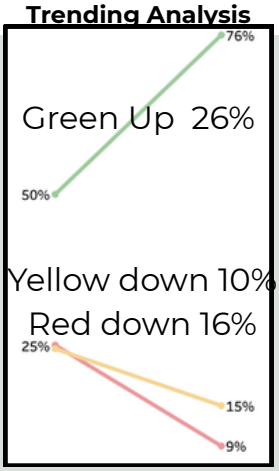
Top 10

Care for the Community	+50.0pt
Freedom of spiritual pra..	+49.1pt
Service to others	+47.7pt
Daily routine	+47.4pt
Enough sleep	+41.2pt
Emotional intelligence	+40.8pt
Agency	+38.5pt
Healing from the past	+36.4pt
Access to nutritious food	+35.9pt
Entertainment and recre..	+34.7pt

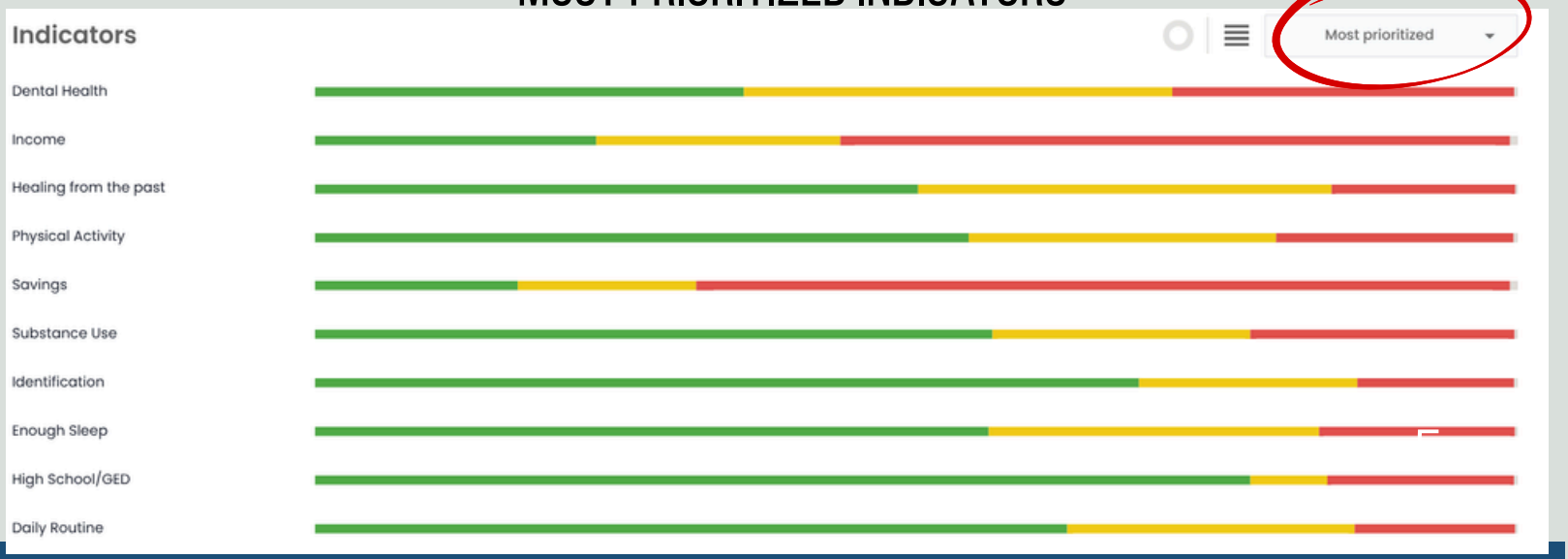
83% IMPROVED OUTCOMES



Trending Analysis

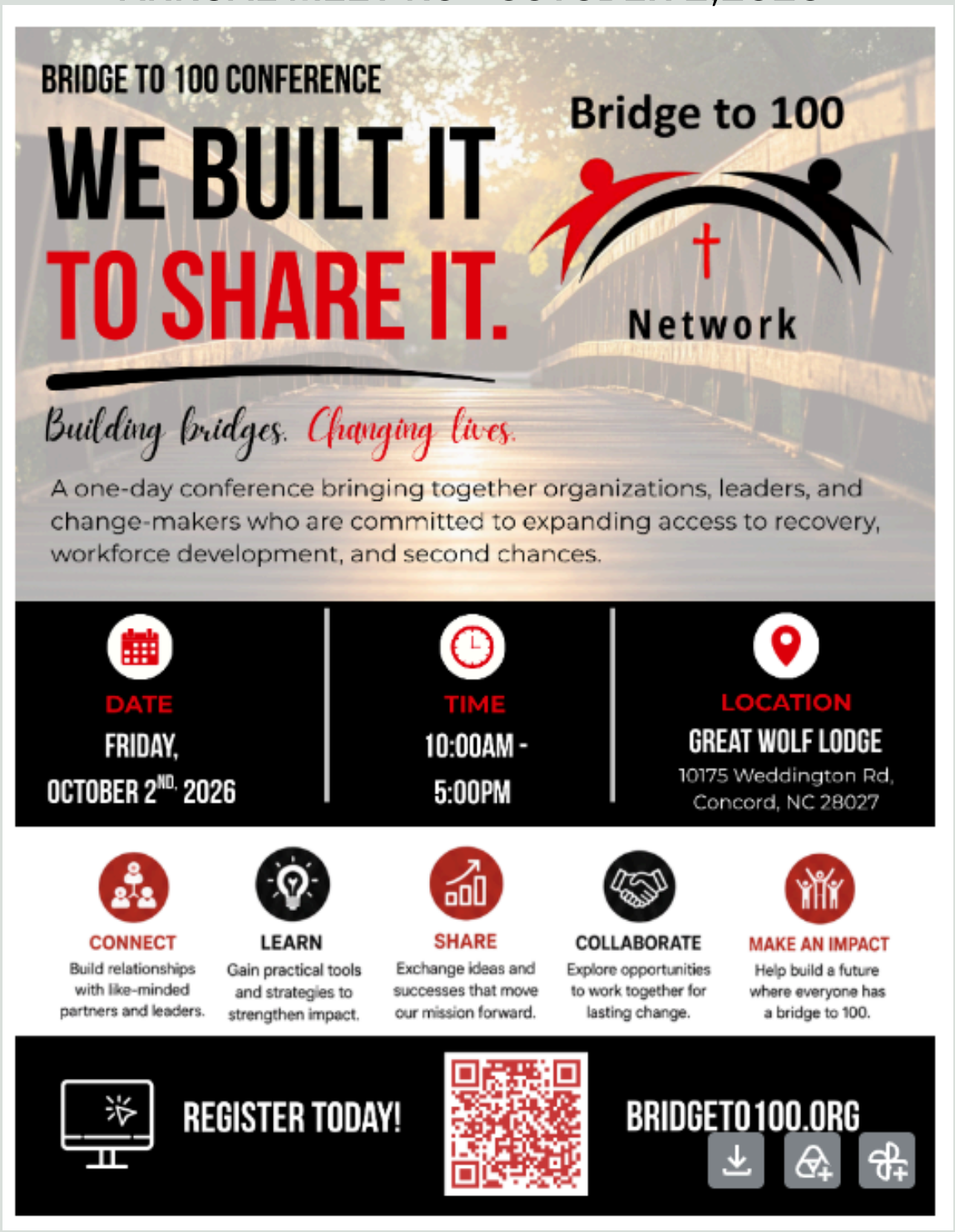


MOST PRIORITIZED INDICATORS



Important Dates and Next Steps...

ANNUAL MEETING - OCTOBER 2,2026



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