

Join the Voices of Recovery: Recovery Benefits Everyone!

STATEWIDE RECOVERY MONTH CALENDAR - 2011

Anchorage

- 9/9/11 - FASD Awareness Day. Table tents in restaurants city-wide offer free non-alcoholic beverages to pregnant women on FASD Awareness Day, September 9. A collaboration with Alaska FASD Partnership, Alaska CHARR, Alaska Mental Health Board & Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, Volunteers of America, Alaska Women's Recovery Project, and many volunteers. Contact Trish Smith, 279-9646.
- 9/9/11 – FASD Awareness Observation. Over 1,000 stick people symbolizing impact of FASD in Alaska; bell ringing in observance; Governor's proclamation read by Senator Kevin Meyer. Event begins at 9:09am at Loussac Library (outside). Contact MJ Thim, 561-3791.
- 9/24/11 - Recovery Walk and Poetry Jam. AWRP Recovery Community Center on Saturday, September 24th. Contact Alaska Women's Recovery Project (AWRP), 729-5190.
- 9/24/11 - Alaska Recovery Community Day of Service. Encouraging all Alaskans in recovery to support the national observance of Recovery Month on September 24th by finding a place in your community to volunteer and be of service for the day, e.g. a treatment facility, public park, soup kitchen, homeless shelter, kids program, elder housing, etc. Organizers will collect photos, stories and/or video from individual projects and create a record of how the recovery community can give back to the community at large. Contact Anna Sappah, 242-6638.

Juneau

- All month – Art of Recovery gallery showing of art inspired by the process of recovery from addiction and/or mental illness. Art will be hanging throughout the month at the Silverbow Back Room. Contact Teri Tibbett, 465-4765.
- 9/6/11 - Juneau Afternoon. Interview on KTOO-FM 104.3 (www.ktoo.org) at 3:30pm, with guest Cori Stennett, from Gastineau Human Services, who will talk about the Recovery Film Festival at the Gold Town Nickelodeon.
- 9/7/11 – "Marwencol" a documentary film about a man who after a traumatic brain injury found an unusual way of dealing with his recovery from both his brain injury and alcoholism. Free and open to the public. Recovery Film Festival at Gold Town Nickelodeon every Wednesday in September, starting at 6:30pm. Contact Cori Stennett, 738-4762.
- 9/8/11 – Juneau Afternoon. Interview on KTOO-FM 104.3 (www.ktoo.org) at 3:15pm, with guest Ric Iannolino, coordinator of Juneau FASD Diagnostic Clinic, who will talk about FASD Awareness Day and the events taking place in Juneau city-wide.
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- 9/9/11 – FASD information table at Ethel Lund Medical Center (SEARHC). Information and questions answered about fetal alcohol spectrum disorders. Contact Toni Weber at 463-6670.

- 9/9/11 – Capital Chat. Interview on KINY-AM 800 (www.kinyradio.com) at 10:45am, with guests Ric Iannolino, of the Juneau FASD Diagnostic Clinic, and Toni Weber, of SEARHC, who will talk about FASD Awareness Day events and the Recovery Walk.
- 9/9/11 - Juneau Afternoon. Interview on KTOO-FM 104.3 (www.ktoo.org) at 3:00pm, with guest Toni Weber, of SEARHC, who will talk about the Recovery Walk and information table at the Ethel Lund Medical Center (SEARHC).
- 9/10/11 – A Recovery Walk supporting recovery from addiction and/or mental illness will begin at 1pm – walking from Marine Park to Sandy Beach in Douglas. A pot-luck style party will follow with refreshments and drumming starting about 2:30pm. Everyone is welcome to Sandy Beach, whether or not they participate in the walk. Contact Toni Weber, 463-6670.
- 9/14/11 - “No Kidding! Me Too!” a documentary film by actor Joe Pantoliano shedding light on the stigma related to bipolar disorder, depression, self-medication and other aspects of mental illness. Free and open to the public. Recovery Film Festival at Gold Town Nickelodeon every Wednesday in September, starting at 6:30pm. Contact Cori Stennett, 738-4762.
- 9/15/11 - Juneau Afternoon. Interview on KTOO-FM 104.3 (www.ktoo.org) at 3:00pm, with guests Gus Marx, of Juneau Youth services, and Christy Eriksen, of REACH, who will talk about the Voices of Recovery Poetry Jam at the Canvas.
- 9/16/11 – Voices of Recovery Poetry Jam. A recovery-inspired poetry jam invites people to join with others and share their original poems related to recovery from addiction and/or mental illness. Geared for amateur poets in a competition-style event with \$200 in cash prizes. Bring up to three poems. All styles and ages welcome. Sign up early, at 6pm, as space is limited. A non-competitive reading will happen between 6:30-7:00pm. This year the event is a collaboration between the “Voices of Recovery Poetry Jam” and the “Woosh Kinaadeiyi Poetry Slam.” Free and open to the public. Contact Christy Eriksen, 586-1750.
- 9/21/11 - “Life Support” a film based on a true story starring Queen Latifah in a true-life drama about a mother who overcomes a crack addiction to become a positive role model in her community. Free and open to the public. Recovery Film Festival at Gold Town Nickelodeon every Wednesday in September, starting at 6:30pm. Contact Cori Stennett, 738-4762.
- 9/28/11 - “Lost in Woonsocket” is a documentary film about two men who experience alcoholism and homelessness and who wander across the U.S and who eventually embrace sobriety and normal functioning lives. Free and open to the public. Recovery Film Festival at Gold Town Nickelodeon every Wednesday in September, starting at 6:30pm. Contact Cori Stennett, 738-4762.
- 9/29/11 - Juneau Afternoon. Interview on KTOO-FM 104.3 (www.ktoo.org) at 3:00pm, with guest Jess Brown, of Zach Gordon Youth Center, who will talk about the SoberFest Family Pre-Party at Zach Gordon Youth Center.
- 9/30/11 - Juneau Afternoon. Interview on KTOO-FM 104.3 (www.ktoo.org) at 3:00pm, with guest Michele Federico, of Gastineau Human Services, who will talk about SoberFest at the Juneau Arts & Culture Center.
- 9/30/11 – SoberFest Family Pre-Party at Zach Gordon Youth Center from 4-7pm, with ping-pong and pool tournaments, climbing wall, basketball and racquetball. Contact Jess Brown, 586-0463.
- 9/30/11 - SoberFest at the Juneau Arts & Culture Center (JACC). A party with live music, dancing, door prizes, hula hooping, information tables, addiction/mental health professionals’ awards and cheap food, with dance music provided by “Kari Groven and the Wristockets.” SoberFest is a chance to socialize and have fun in an alcohol-free environment. Free and open to the public. Contact Teri Tibbett, 465-4765.

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Wasilla/Palmer

- 9/9/11 - FASD Awareness Day. Table tents in restaurants city-wide offer free non-alcoholic beverages to pregnant women on FASD Awareness Day, Sept. 9. A collaboration with Alaska FASD Partnership, Alaska CHARR, Alaska Mental Health Board & Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, Mat-Su Services for Children and Adults, and many volunteers. Contact Teresa Sprague, 355-8984.

Sitka

- 9/9/11 – FASD Awareness Reception for families at Harrington Centennial Hall with balloons, information, videos, and more on Sept. 9, from 6:30-8pm. Contact Gayle Young, 966-8815.
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- 9/10/11 – Recovery Walk. Meet at Crescent Harbor at 6pm and walk to Sheet'ká Kwáan Naa Kahídi. Event includes Hashagoon Drum and an art contest. Contact Harry Bradley, 966-8655.
- 9/24/11 - Canoe Journey and Recovery Potlatch. Meet at 5 p.m. at Mt. Edgecumbe High School boat ramp for paddle around Sitka Sound, with a potlatch featuring king salmon and other provided foods, dancing & drumming, starting at 6 p.m. at Sheet'ká Kwáan Naa Kahídi. Contact Harry Bradley, 966-8655.

Bethel

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Nome

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Kotzebue

- 9/9/11 - FASD Awareness & Prevention Walk. Maniilaq Health Center. Meet at 9am at MHC. A “Pregnant Pause” happens at 9:09 on 9/9. Contact Maniilaq Health Center at 442-3311.

Kiana

- 9/9/11 - Prevention Walk. Meet at the Kiana Health Clinic at 9am, will end at the school cafeteria of school for information, DVDs and hot chocolate. Contact Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus at 412-0419.

Cordova

- 9/17/11 - Recovery Month Celebration. Speakers, free food and beverages, games for kids, music. Saturday, September 17 from 11-2 at Hollis Hendricks Park. Contact: Kris Johnston, 424-8300.

Prince of Wales Island

- All Month - School Presentations on alcohol and substance abuse at various Prince of Wales Island schools.