# 2019 Annual Report

### Challenges and Changes: Recovery International – 2019 Annual Report

### Dear Friends,

Last year—before the COVID-19 pandemic—we worked to build awareness of our programs and reach new people. We began online leader training, introduced our books on Amazon, and updated our website and database—all that seems so long ago! In response to the global health emergency, we helped leaders implement online and telephone meetings for their groups. As stress levels grew, we opened new remote meetings to serve anyone isolated and in symptoms. We introduced Daily Spots to share our tools with anyone who wanted a calming message. We saw a substantial increase in postings on our Facebook Meeting page and our remote meeting attendance doubled and tripled. As we move forward, we aim to increase Recovery International's visibility among other mental health organizations and professionals, and we seek to collaborate with new partners. We are also developing new workbooks to help teach and train newcomers in the Recovery Method.

None of this would be possible without our members and donors. And our programs could not happen without the dedication of hundreds of area and group leaders—our peer volunteers who mentor others, providing help and hope to thousands of people each year. You are the backbone of Recovery International and we are proud to work with you in eliminating mental health stigma and offering tools to help people manage their symptoms.

With deep appreciation,

Joanne Sampey

Joanne Lampey, President Board of Directors



Sandha E. Wilcore

Sandra K. Wilcoxon Chief Executive Officer

### Society of Dear Ones

The Society of Dear Ones recognizes people who have provided for the future of Recovery International by including RI in their wills or estate plans. Recovery is here today because of bequests made in the 1960s, 70s and 80s. Plan your estate gift now, to help Recovery continue to serve future generations. We are deeply grateful to the following people for letting us know of their intentions:

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If you wish to join the Society of Dear Ones, simply notify us of your intention to include Recovery International in your estate plans. You do not need to tell us the amount of the planned gift—every contribution is precious to us. For assistance with language to include in your will, contact Sandra Wilcoxon at 312-962-5991.

# 2019 Financial Year in Review

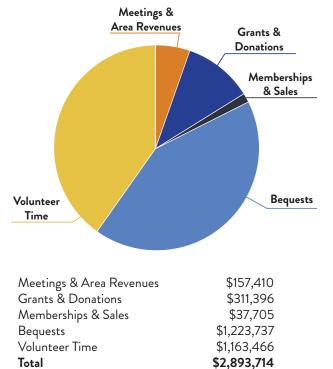
In 2019 Recovery International benefitted from new support from major donors, special grants and very generous bequests. These funds supported current programs and initiatives that will enable Recovery International to reach new audiences and serve the next generation.

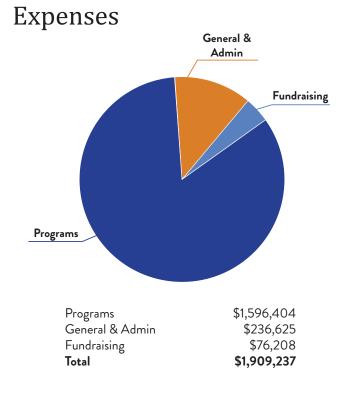
Hal Casey, Treasurer

## Balance Sheet (Pre-audit numbers)

Current Liabilities	\$33,066	Current Assets	\$1,747,903
Equity	\$1,733,356	Fixed Assets	\$18,519
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$1,766,422	Total Assets	\$1,766,422

## Revenues





Surplus from bequests will rebuild cash reserves & endowment

## 2019 Year in Review

How many lives did we touch in 2019? Attendance at meetings totaled 82,337 last year! This includes 7,162 telephone, online and community meetings serving participants from 42 states and several foreign countries.

Our mission is to help people live more peaceful and productive lives, using the tools developed by Dr. Abraham Low. More than 480 Area Leaders, Group Leaders and Assistant Leaders make this possible by volunteering their time to run meetings, distribute literature, and promote RI at information fairs.



Lisa Garcia, San Diego Program Manager, receives the Recovery International Live Well San Diego proclamation from Alfredo Aguirre, Director of San Diego Department of Mental Health.



Board President Joanne Lampey addresses the Rochester Retired Executives Club.



Sandra Wilcoxon, CEO, with Judith Bassette, group leader with Area 135 - Western New York during her visit to Chicago.



Lynette Bryant (left) Area Leader, with other group leaders from Area 35 - Central Florida.



Sacramento Area 19 celebrates Rick Varline, long-time Team Group Leader.



Bruce Sachnoff receives the Crystal Award from Board President Joanne Lampey, honoring his longtime support of and service.



San Diego Area 25 leaders Lisa Garcia, Kim Monari, and Judi Bakke at Community Alliance for Healthy Minds (CAHM) resource fair.

Send your group's photos to info@recoveryinternational.org

## Thank You to our Donors and Partners!

We rely on meeting contributions, memberships, gifts and grants to operate. This support is vital to continuing our programs, and to ensuring that no one is turned away due to inability to pay. We especially wish to recognize our major donors of \$250 and above:

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