



Oxford House of Kansas
Proudly Presents:
The 2024 State Convention

Victorious
In the Heartland

Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview
400 W. Douglas Avenue, Wichita, Kansas 67202
November 22nd – 24th, 2024

Friday, November 22

12:00 PM
- 7:00 PM

Registration - Banquet & Conference Center, 2nd set of doors on west side of of the hotel along the river. (Do not go to the front desk for room keys)
Disclaimer: If incidental charges are added to your room by the hotel, your chapter will be charged.

2:00 PM
- 5:00 PM

Women's Conference - Bosin Ballroom #3
Brandie Bauer, Stephanie Fillmore, Tracey Filley, Ginger Hanna, Kady Stevens & Kasia Hoover

Men's Empowerment - Bosin Ballroom #1
Seth Dewey, Marcus Pitts, Dan Hahn, Joshua Huggins, Jamonte Johnson, Danny Fryhover, Nathan Truitt-Morales, Aaron Vick, Zach George & Ed Smith

5:00 PM
- 7:00 PM

Dinner
On your own in the city, hotel guests have the option of a light meal provided free for hotel guests only, mezzanine level.

7:15 PM
- 8:00 PM

Friday Night Speaker - Bosin Ballroom
Lance Whitney

8:15 PM
- 9:30 PM

Friday Night Entertainment - Bosin Ballroom
Lip Sync Event



Saturday, November 23

6:00 AM

- 7:45 AM

Breakfast

Provided free for hotel guests only, mezzanine level

8:00 AM

- 8:15 AM

Getting Fired Up: Prayer & Opening Ceremony - Bosin Ballroom

Stephanie Fillmore, Marlin Guest

8:15 AM

- 9:00 AM

Victorious Recovery in Kansas - Bosin Ballroom

John Agnew, Moderator: Dan Hahn, Mark Spence, Brian Holmes

9:00 AM

- 9:15 AM

Break

9:15 AM

- 10:00 AM

Welcoming the New Member & Interviews - Bosin Ballroom

Dustin Banes, Moderator: Kady Stevens, Emily Watkins & Derek Teel

10:00 AM

- 10:15 AM

Break

10:15 AM

- 11:30 AM

4 Stages & 5 Core Principles – Bosin Ballroom

Jackson Longan

11:30 AM

- 1:15 PM

Lunch Break

On your own in the city



Saturday, November 23

1:15 PM

- 2:15 PM

Housing Services - Bosin Ballroom

David Howell, Moderator: Heather Ford, Steve Morris & Antoine Alexander

2:15 PM

- 2:30 PM

Break

2:30 PM

- 3:30 PM

Leadership in Action: Serving with Responsibility – Bosin Ballroom

Buster Pulley Moderator: Kasia Hoover, Chris Razo, DJ Mecum & Robert Roche

3:30 PM

- 3:45 PM

Break

3:45 PM

- 4:45 PM

Overdose Prevention & Medication Protocol - Bosin Ballroom

Ty DeBarea, Moderator: Mallory Capps, ARNP, FNP-C & Thomas Simmons

4:45 PM

- 6:00 PM

Break - Intermission for Banquet Facility Preparations

6:00 PM

- 7:15 PM

Banquet Dinner & Awards - Bosin Ballroom

7:30 PM

- 8:15 PM

Recovery Speaker

Jesse Wilson

8:15 PM

- 8:55 PM

Raffle & Fellowship

9:00 PM

- 9:30 PM

Fireworks

Along the banks of the Arkansas River



Sunday, November 24

6:00 AM
- 7:45 AM

Breakfast

Provided free for hotel guests only, mezzanine level

8:00 AM
- 8:45 AM

Kansas Alumni: Gratitude in Action - Bosin Ballroom

*Chris James Moderator: James Lowman, Glendale Shaffer, Seth McGinnes
& Tara Esguerra*

8:45 AM
- 9:00 AM

Break

9:00 AM
- 2:00 PM

Kansas Oxford House State Association Meeting - Bosin Ballroom

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General Information

Disclaimer: *If incidental charges are added to your room by the hotel, your Chapter will be charged after the convention.*

Keep in mind *you're representing Oxford House as a whole during this entire event, we are asking for everyone to have patience and to act responsibly.*

DO NOT SMOKE OR VAPE *in your hotel room or anywhere else inside the hotel. Please smoke in designated smoking areas only, away from doorways, on the west side of the hotel, along or near the river. Please do not smoke in front of the hotel.*

A breakfast & light dinner *are provided by the hotel on the mezzanine level for hotel guests only. Those not staying in the hotel will need to make other eating arrangements, as these meals will not be available for purchase.*

A Hospitality Room with light snacks and refreshments *will be available to all conference attendees. This will be located across from the Bosin Ballrooms, upstairs in the Siedhoff Salon. Note that this room will be closed during sessions.*

Oxford House Swag Tables *are located outside of the Bosin Ballroom, we will have approximately 6-8 tables to share amongst the entire state, so please be respectful of space, first come first serve. Each house and chapter are responsible for monitoring its own swag and funds, as well as clean-up afterwards. Swag will not be available during sessions.*

Raffle Tickets *will be sold throughout the convention and items raffled off on Saturday evening. We will have a variety of different raffles going on for a variety of different items; gift cards, electronics, televisions, a tattoo session, E.E.S. & more!*

A small market with snacks and beverages *is available for purchase behind the hotel front desk, you will need to pay for items at the front desk.*

An ATM *is available inside the hotel, behind the hotel front desk. Surcharges may apply.*

Parking – Garage parking *is available, you will need to check in at the front desk to pay for parking, up to \$12 per night for overnight parking. For daytime parking \$0.00 for 30 minutes, \$1 for 31-60 minutes, \$0.75 for each additional 30 minutes, up to \$12 per day. There is a parking lot to the north of the hotel, it is \$4.35 per each 24-hour time period, however, you will need to download "ParkMobile", and*



link a payment source such as Visa, American Express, Master Card, or Discover & you will also need to know your license plate number. Keep in mind there is limited free street parking available, so plan accordingly.

Free Wi-Fi *is available for convention attendees through the Drury Hotel. No password will be required to connect to the hotel's Wi-Fi.*



Our 2024 Panelists & Presenters

Brandi Bauer • Oxford House World Council • Shreveport, Louisiana • brandiebee@myyahoo.com



Met Oxford House in 2012 and have been gratefully serving ever since. From every position there is.... opening homes and filling up with donations I've done it all. My favorite accomplishment is receiving the founders award from Paul Molloy himself in 2018... same year Marcus Pitts and

I met and traveled down the yellow brick road. That was a fun year! Currently serving my second 3 year term on the World Council and just got elected as chair of engagement committee! We all got engaged at the 2024 World Convention in Florida remember? Y'all said yes when I asked. So. You're stuck with me.

Love always, Your Oxford House Cheerleader
Brandie B

Kasia Hoover • Oxford House Monarch Alumnus, Southeast Kansas Outreach Coordinator, Friends of Recovery Association • Pittsburg, KS • kasiahoover@friendsofrecovery.com



Kasia, a woman in Long-Term Recovery, resided at the Oxford House Monarch in Pittsburg, Kansas for three years, from 2018 to 2021. She was active in the House and Chapter as well as the State Association where she was the Budget and Finance Officer and an Alumni Officer. She remains an engaged alumna.

Kasia emphasizes that Oxford House not only provided her with housing but also served as the foundation for reclaiming her life and practicing her recovery program. Her commitment aligns with that of her colleagues: to expand services to meet demand and offer support where necessary. She holds certifications for Peer Support Specialist and Person Centered Case Manager. Kasia commenced her role as the Southeast Kansas Outreach Coordinator with FORA in September 2022.

Kady Stevens • Oxford House Alumnus, Kansas Outreach Coordinator Friends of Recovery Association • Hays, KS • kadystevens@friendsofrecovery.com



Kady Stevens is a resilient and compassionate woman who has transformed her challenges into a powerful commitment to helping others. After a short-lived stay in the Hays women's Oxford House in October 2020, Kady had a return to use for several

months. But she then completed treatment and reintegration in the spring of 2021. That's when the recovery really started. On May 18, 2021, she moved into a women and children's Oxford House in Topeka, where she lived for nearly seven months and took on various house positions.

Recognizing the need for replication, Kady moved back to Hays to assist the Amaryllis West Oxford House, which had dwindled to just two members. Her dedication was quickly acknowledged as she was elected chapter co-chair, and shortly after, she stepped into the role of chapter chair. Kady also served on the state association as the Budget and Finance officer for a term. After six impactful months, she moved out of Oxford House to regain custody of her son and transitioned into an Alumnus role. During the next elections she was elected to serve as chair of the alumni association in her area. After the geographical split of the Alumni association, she was elected to serve as the Chapter XX Alumni treasurer. Her continued contributions earned her the title of Chapter XX Alumni of the Year in 2024.

As a devoted wife and mother of two boys, Kady draws her strength from God and her faith. She now has over three and a half years of sustained recovery. In addition to her personal journey, Kady has been actively involved in advocacy. Since May 2022, she has worked tirelessly at Options Domestic and Sexual Violence Services, supporting survivors of domestic and sexual violence. She also began working with FORA in May 2022 as an outreach coordinator for Barton and Ellis County. Recently, she became a Kansas Certified Peer Mentor (KCPM) with Smoky Hill Foundation in November 2023, further expanding her ability to connect and inspire others on their paths to recovery.

Kady's story is a testament to the power of perseverance, hope, and community support.

Stephanie Fillmore • Oxford House Alumnus, Executive Director, Friends of Recovery Association • Overland Park, KS • stephanie@friendsofrecovery.com



Stephanie Fillmore has been in recovery since January 15, 2016. She lived at Serenity Hills Oxford House in Overland Park, Kansas, where she served in various house leadership positions and steadily advanced her involvement. Eager to take on greater responsibility, she became the first revolving loan officer for the Kansas Oxford House State Association, a role she served in for two years. In the fall of 2017, she was elected to the Oxford House World Council in Washington, D.C. Over her five-year term on the Council, Stephanie served as Chair for two years and as Parliamentarian for one.

In 2017, Stephanie joined the board of directors for Friends of Recovery Association (FORA), where she served as treasurer for several years and remained active on the board until transitioning to employment with the organization. From 2018 to 2022, she worked at Mirror Inc, where she held roles as Lead Technician at the Kansas City inpatient facility and as Administrative Assistant at the Lenexa Outpatient facility.

Stephanie is pursuing her Addiction Counselor certification and working toward a bachelor's degree in psychology. After serving as interim Executive Director for FORA, she accepted the full-time position in October 2023. Her passion lies in supporting those struggling with substance abuse, with a mission to make a meaningful impact, one life at a time.

Ginger Hanna • Oxford House Member • Shawnee, KS • ghanna1974.gh@gmail.com



Ginger began her most recent of many Oxford House journeys on September 16, 2021. She has since held every position in the house, including serving as Chapter 4 Co-Chair. She has made lateral moves for her chapter to restructure 3 houses, all of which are extremely strong and successful. Ginger is also the Chair of Johnson County Mirror Alumni Association. She is currently an addiction technician at Mirror Residential Treatment Center in Shawnee, Kansas. She just obtained certification as a Peer Support Specialist and is in training to be a Kansas Certified Peer Mentor. Watching new members transform and gain their life back motivates Ginger. She takes pride in the ability to follow the Oxford model with integrity and responsibility. Her goal is to stay deeply rooted in Oxford and to continue to show up when needed.

Tracy Filley • Kansas Oxford House State Association Secretary • Topeka, Kansas • filleytracy01@gmail.com



Tracy Filley has been an active and dedicated member of Oxford House since April 2022, with 34 months of sobriety. Currently serving as the Kansas State Secretary and Chapter 2 Chair, Tracy has gained valuable experience by serving in every position within an Oxford House. She is also committed to mentoring others as a sponsor in AA and supporting Oxford House initiatives wherever possible. Recently, she helped establish the Arella Oxford House in Topeka, Kansas, contributing to the expansion of safe and supportive recovery environments. Tracy's dedication reflects her belief in the power of service and community in the recovery journey.

Seth Dewey • Oxford House World Council Chair • Hutchinson, Kansas • sethdewey04sox@gmail.com



Seth has been an advocate for social change in the substance use arena since 2017 he was awakened by the voice, he found that he had in an Oxford House and found how to use it effectively. He is a co-founder of the Kansas Recovery Network, a grassroots Harm Reduction coalition that was also founded by other Oxford House alumni in Reno County, Kansas. His passion revolves around the health, rights, and well-being of people who use drugs, people in recovery (no matter the path), and for the populations disproportionately affected by substance use due to the antiquated policies perpetuated by the war on drugs, which is a war on people. He serves as the Oxford House World Council Chairman and was appointed to the Governors Behavioral Health Services Planning Council here in Kansas in March of 2023. Seth is currently a student at Fort Hays State University pursuing his Bachelor of Science in Organizational Leadership. Most importantly Seth is a proud father to his 4-year-old son, Kolton which most of you know from his presence at Chapter and house meetings and naloxone trainings.

Marcus Pitts • Oxford House Member • Topeka, Kansas • mpitts1069@gmail.com



My name is Marcus Pitts. My sobriety date is January 18, 2018. I have been living in Oxford House since July of 2019. I have had the pleasure of being a part of assisting in opening or relocating 35 houses in Topeka, KS. I have served at the House, Chapter, State, and World level for Oxford House. I am so grateful. Thank you for allowing me to serve.



Dan Hahn • Regional Manager, Oxford House, Inc. • Oklahoma
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Daniel Hahn is the Regional Manager for Oxford House Inc. He has been in long-term recovery since July 2007 and has worked with Oxford House Inc. since 2013. He has an extensive background with Oxford House, with three and a half years as a resident, one and a half years as an Alumni, and ten years as an employee. Mr. Hahn is an Oxford House World Council Alumnus and the Oxford House 2016 Reggie Midget Award winner for spreading the movement into new areas. As an Outreach Worker for Oklahoma from 2013 - 2020, Mr. Hahn supervised staff, opened Oxford Houses, and worked closely with professionals in substance abuse and individuals new to recovery. In 2020, he was promoted to Regional Manager, where he works with professionals and staff in multiple states to expand and support the existing network of Oxford Houses. Mr. Hahn's passion is helping the incarcerated, as he has worked to help transition the formerly incarcerated with SUD into Oxford House.

Aaron Vick • Senior Outreach Coordinator, Oxford House, Inc. • Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
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Aaron Vick has been clean and sober since November 10, 2016. He started his journey at Oxford House Eastman in OKC. He has held virtually every service position available to a member including a stint on the Oxford House World Council. In June of 2019, he was hired as an Outreach Worker in OKC and has excelled in the expansion and support of that network. He is also the proud father of Bella and Maddox.

Jamonte Johnson • Outreach Worker, Oxford House Inc. • Upstate New York
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Jamonte Johnson, is an Outreach Worker in Dutchess, Columbia, and Greene Counties in upstate New York. Jamonte is an individual who embraced sobriety on February 7, 2018, and was accepted into his first Oxford House in Memphis, Tennessee on January 15, 2019, where he discovered the structure and support that became the driving force behind his recovery journey. Jamonte quickly jumped into positions of service within the houses, chapter, and state. He cherished the sense of camaraderie within the organization and wanted to pay his experience forward to the ones who had just began their Oxford House journey. He was hired an Outreach Worker in 2021, moved to Miami, Florida then Dutchess County, New York where he opened several houses for men and women. Jamonte's journey stands as a living testament to the transformative power of recovery and the profound impact of Oxford House.

Nathan Truitt-Morales • Senior Outreach Coordinator, Oxford House Inc. • Central Arizona
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Nathan is an Oxford House Alumnus from Kansas. As a member, he served at the Chapter and State Levels and helped expand the number of houses in Topeka, KS. In 2019, because of his passion and dedication to service, he was offered a job to help build the network of Oxford Houses in the state of Arizona when there was none. Since moving to Arizona, he has assisted a great team in adding 52 houses (so far) across the Central Valley. He co-founded the Arizona Walk 4 Recovery. He has spearheaded building the reentry program across the state. All this has been possible thanks to the mentorship and leadership of those before him.

Zach George • Senior Outreach Coordinator, Oxford House Inc. • Illinois & Wisconsin
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Zach's journey began at Oxford House Revenant in San Antonio, TX and has held several positions as a member on the house, chapter and regional association levels. In August of 2021, he was hired as an outreach worker to support the initial expansion of the Oxford House network in the state of Illinois where he and the state have excelled. He now serves the staff and membership of Illinois and Wisconsin as the Senior Outreach Coordinator where his goal is to develop leadership and continue to expand the network of Oxford Houses.

Lance Whitney • Outreach Worker, Oxford House Inc. • Kansas City, Missouri
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Lance was a former re-entry released from prison in 2015. He moved into Oxford House Niam in Hutchinson, Kansas in 2015 and held every house position and most chapter positions throughout his membership. He became a peer-support specialist in 2016 and was hired by OHI in Sept of 2017. He went to Kansas City to start stabilizing and expanding and has been with Oxford House since then. He is a huge advocate for re-entry and works with several prisons all over Missouri. He wants to ensure everyone who wants to stay clean and sober has someplace to start that second chance. He has helped the State of Missouri go from 5 houses in Kansas City, Missouri, to 54 houses statewide. He loves his life today and believes everyone should be involved in service work. He wants everyone to remember that service work means getting outside the four walls of your house and being involved!

Grow or Go!

Joshua “Huggie” Huggins • Oxford House World Council •

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Joshua (Huggie) Huggins moved into Oxford House in Montgomery, Alabama in December 2018 and spent nearly two years as a resident. During this time, he not only embraced the recovery process but also played an active role in expanding the Oxford House network. He helped open multiple houses and became Alabama's first State Chair, helping lay the groundwork for the organization's growth in the state. After moving out of Oxford House, Huggie was instrumental in founding the Alabama Alumni Association, providing a support network for those who had moved out of the houses but still wanted to stay connected to the recovery community. In 2021, Huggie was elected as Alabama's first World Council Alumni Candidate. His dedication and leadership skills led to him being elected as a one-year alternate member of the World Council. The following year, he ran for a full three-year term and became Alabama's first World Council Member. During his time on the World Council, Huggie held several key leadership roles: Alumni Committee Chair, Vice-Chair of the World Council, Chairperson of the World Council (2023–Present). As part of his work, Huggie played a pivotal role in creating the first-ever National Alumni Conference Committee, which is planning the first National Alumni Conference to take place in spring 2025. Additionally, he helped develop the Alumni Association Common Practices Document, which will serve as a guide for new alumni associations in the future. Despite his national responsibilities, Huggie continues to serve in key positions, including as Vice-Chair of the Alabama Alumni Association. His leadership on the World Council and his dedication to the growth and sustainability of the alumni network have made him an invaluable figure in the Oxford House community.

Ed Smith • Regional Manager, Oxford House, Inc. • Oregon & Colorado • ed.smith@oxfordhouse.org



Ed Smith is a Regional Manager for Oregon and Colorado Oxford Houses. Ed is responsible for opening over 60 houses all throughout the state of Oregon. He is a man in long term recovery who has been in recovery since 2003 and has worked with Oxford House since 2004. In Oxford Ed discovered the power of relational culture. Ed is an advocate for men and women in recovery. He has worked in several local and state organizations to remove the stigma of addiction, and the ability for those to change their lives. Through his experience Ed was able to not only sit on several committees involving multiple agencies and organizations, he was also able to serve as a city councilor for a full term affecting change in the community he lives in. Ed's focus in life is to teach others that they have the ability to change their lives and be a part of the community. Ed continues to put as much energy into his recovery as he did in his addiction.

Danny Fryhover • Oxford House Chautauqua Alumnus • Wichita, KS • dannyfryhover@gmail.com



My name is Danny Fryhover my sobriety date 10/1/18 I lived in Oxford House for 4 years. I held just about every position in a house, in housing services and was treasure for 2 years and male co-chair of Chapter 7. I've been to world 3 times. I am an alcoholic and drug addicts. My drug of choice was methamphetamine. At the age 47 I was homeless for a year and a half spent most of 2017 and 2018 in jail. Was facing multiple felonies and multiple counties. When I entered Oxford House I had a job and that was it I was on paper and five counties. In my four years in Oxford House I paid off over \$30,000 in debt, got my license from the state back after 3 years suspension, was promoted to machine shop manager over to different plants. Successfully got a relationship back with my children and my extended family. Joined Oxford Alumni Association last October and currently co-chair of Oxford Wichita Alumni Association. I am also an active member of AA and have several sponsees that I work with regularly.

Marlin Guest • Kansas Oxford House State Association Chair • Topeka, Kansas • marlin.guest@washburn.edu



My name is Marlin Guest. I am a person in long-term recovery. What that means to me is that I have not found it necessary to use any mood or mind-altering substances since May 18, 2020. I spent my first 18 months of recovery in the Crossroads Oxford House. I now live in Oxford House Jonah, which I opened with help from Samuel Smith on November 15th, 2021. Since being in Oxford, I have served as Chapter 2 Housing Services Chairman and Chapter 2 Chapter Chairman. I am currently the Chapter 2 Parliamentarian and KOHSA Housing Services East Chairman. On May 15th, 2024, I will graduate from Washburn University with my addiction counseling degree. I currently work at Valeo Rehabilitation Center as an alcohol and drug technician. I owe everything good that is happening in my life to God, Oxford House, a host of family and friends in and out of recovery. Very truly I tell you, if it were not for God, through Oxford, I would not be sober today.



Mark Spence • Director, Outreach Services & Alumni, Oxford House, Inc. • Washington, DC • mark.spence@oxfordhouse.org



Mark Spence, NCPRSS (National Certified Peer Recovery Support Specialist) was born and raised in Washington DC. He is a coach, mentor, speaker, recruiter, spiritual leader and ambassador for Recovery. Mark has been

clean and Sober for over 35 years! He has traveled to over 20 states and the US Virgin Islands opening up Oxford Houses and in doing so has helped changed countless number of addicts lives. Mark has been featured on local and National TV, Cable, Radio stations, articles and publications sharing his story trying to educate and empower others they too can live without drugs and alcohol.

In 1988, Mark moved into the 8th Oxford House that existed on Bellevue Terrace in Washinton DC and it remains open today. In 1989, Mark was hired by Paul Molloy, the Founder of Oxford House, as a National Outreach Worker. In that same year, Mark opened his first house in DC; Oxford House Jonquil. In August 1990, Mark opened the first Oxford House in the state of Washington in Edmonds. The community didn't want the opening of Edmonds house and this case went all the way to the Supreme Court for NIMBY which stands for; Not In My Back Yard. The Edmonds house remains open and active today 34 years later. In May 1991, Mark appeared on 60 Minutes TV show that aired on the CBS network telling his story. Twenty-five years later, he was invited back on the Meredith Vera show to celebrate how the Oxford House concept was still growing. In 2022/2023, Mark was featured in a public service announcement called "My Recovery DC" that was inserted during commercials that ran on the local networks and cable stations in DC. In 2024, Prosperity Media, a Washington based award winning nonprofit organization which highlights the good in humanity, interviewed Mark on their Solutions program that aired on Montgomery Cable TV in January.

Mark earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Banking and Finance at Wheeling College in 1983. Two years later, Mark joined the Army Reserves. He holds a seat on the Board of Directors for Salvation Army's Adult Rehabilitation Center. Mark is a prominent member of St. Martins Catholic Church which serves the NA and AA community. He is pictured on a Historical African American Heritage board that stands outside of St. Martins Church. Mark continues to be a Proud member of NA, a man of service, opening up Oxford Houses in D.C. and Prince Georges County Maryland. Mark's life mission and service is to uplift, inspire and encourage addicts that we can live one day at a time which can turn into a lifetime.

John Agnew • Oxford House Alumnus • Wichita, KS • jfitzosg@gmail.com



John Agnew is an Alumnus of Oxford House Waco and Oxford House Woodchuck here in Wichita, KS. John has provided 21 years of continuous service to Oxford House of Kansas. John works for Substance Abuse Center of Kansas as an Assistant Manager within the KDOC and serves on the Governors Behavioral Health Service Planning Council and Chair of the Peer Support Subcommittee.

Brian Holmes • Oxford House Braeburn Alumnus, Kansas Outreach Coordinator Friends of Recovery Association • Wichita, KS • brianholmes@friendsofrecovery.com



Brian was an active member of Oxford House for 10 years in Kansas and is now an active alumnus of Oxford House Braeburn in Wichita, KS. He has served at various different levels of service from chapter, to the state association and numerous committees such as Wichita's World Convention Committee, State Convention Committee, 4TK and more. In 2022 Brian joined the Friends of Recovery Association (F.O.R.A.) as an Outreach Worker in the Wichita area. Brian has been instrumental in the planning and coordination of the 2023 & 2024 Kansas State Conventions.

Dustin Banes • Kansas Oxford House Chapter 20 Chair, Oxford House October Member • Hays, KS • banesdustin74@gmail.com



Dustin embarked on his recovery journey in September 2020 at Oxford House Barton in Great Bend, Kansas. Inspired by the house's leadership and alumni, he discovered a passion for service work, which propelled him to take on roles at the house, chapter, and state levels. Over his first year Dustin lived in 3 different houses helping to replicate the Oxford House model and assisting struggling houses. Although he faced a setback with a relapse in 2021, he rebounded and returned to Oxford House Barton on August 22, 2022. Now, with over two years of clean time, Dustin continues to thrive. He serves as Chapter Chair for Chapter XX and is a proud member of Oxford House October in Hays, Kansas, which he helped establish on November 1, 2024. O.H.O. BABY!!!



Derek Teel • Oxford House ReBorn Member • Topeka, KS •
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Derek has been a member of two separate Oxford Houses since getting clean in January of 2024. As a member of Rejoyce Oxford house, Derek began doing service within the house itself, the community, and at the chapter level.

Derek had the opportunity in August of 2024 to be a founding member of ReBorn Oxford house in Topeka Kansas where he currently resides. He continues to participate in service in his current house, his recovery, and the Oxford community as a whole.

Emily Watkins • Kansas Oxford House Chapter 18 Co-Chair, Oxford House Grace Haven Member • Wichita, KS •
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Emily started her Oxford journey in 2020 at Oxford House Grace Haven, where she lived for 14 months. She then helped open Oxford House Friedberg, then a women and children's house and later moved in there for a few months.

Emily has been Chapter 8 Chairman and has also served as Chapter Secretary. Emily later moved out of Oxford House and started her own journey, where she then 18 months later found herself addicted to opiates and on a path she knew all too well and didn't want to continue and knew she was in the need of Oxford House once again. Emily now lives back at Oxford House Grace Haven and is a seasoned member. Emily has lived in Grace Haven since March of 2024, with a new sobriety date of 2/14/2024. Currently Emily servers as the Chapter 18 female Co-Chair.

Jackson Longan • Director, Communications & Information; Oxford House Inc. • Oklahoma •
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Jackson began working for Oxford House, Inc., in 2007. As an Outreach worker in Oklahoma, he led the opening of over 35 new Oxford Houses. As a Regional Manager, he supervised over 40 employees in 9 states, with a network of 500

houses. Now the Director of Communication and Information, Jackson wears many hats. As part of the Executive Team, he collaborates with the legal department, crafts clear and compliant documents, oversees data collection and analysis, and acts as a liaison between the organization and the World Council. Additionally, Jackson leverages his communication skills through public speaking, workshops, and training facilitation while managing public relations and media inquiries. He earned an associate's degree in Enterprise Development from Oklahoma State University and a bachelor's degree in Administrative Leadership from the University of Oklahoma. When not traveling and exploring, Jackson enjoys photography, disc golf, graphic design, and anything related to sci-fi/fantasy - especially Star Wars.

Dave Howell • Kansas Oxford House State Association Housing Services West Co-Chair, Chapter 3 Parliamentarian, Oxford House Wokini Seasoned Member • Wichita, KS •
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I am a grateful recovering addict that has not found it necessary to drink or use any mind-altering substances since January 6, 2022. I have been a member of Oxford House in Wichita Kansas since February 2022. I was a member of Oxford House Lincoln for 20 months until I moved out to open Oxford House Wokini in October of 2023. I have held every position, served as a Chapter 3 Officer for the last 2.5 years as Housing Services Co-Chair, Chapter Co-Chair, Chapter Chair and now Chapter Parliamentarian. I have also served the Kansas Oxford House State Association for the last year as Housing Services West Co-Chair. Oxford House has not only given me a safe place to live and a place to work my recovery program, but it has given me a purpose. It has shown me and given me a life that I've always wanted, and some of the best friends and mentors I could ever ask for. It also helped me regain the respect of my family, kids, step kids, and my wife. Oxford House works if you're willing to put in the time and effort to help yourself and the next suffering addict.

Heather Ford • Kansas Oxford House State Association Revolving Loan Officer, Chapter 13 Parliamentarian & Treasurer, Oxford House Member • Hutchinson, KS •
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Oxford House saved my life. After my arrest June 10 of 2020 for my second DUI in five days, I spent six months in jail and then literally moved into the homeless shelter for another six weeks. Then Covid hit. I walked up the shelter to hear that they were not accepting anyone due to the pandemic. I had nowhere to go and I had lost everything I owned. I talked my brother into spending his money on a hotel until my interview at an Oxford House. Chapter 13 Oxford House in Hutchinson accepted me and I literally started over from scratch. I have spent the last four years of my life, re-learning how to live. Oxford has taught me how to do just that. Living life on life's terms. I became the house secretary, then treasurer, then President. So on and so forth. I am currently holding a State position as the Loan Officer for State, Chapter 13 Parliamentarian, Chapter 13 Treasurer and a couple positions at Hensonback Oxford House. My journey of recovery started June 11, 2020. I could not be more grateful.



Steve Morris • Kansas Oxford House State Association Housing Services East Chair, Oxford House Member • Topeka, KS • morrissteve1961@gmail.com



I am a person in long-term recovery. What that means to me is that I have not found it necessary to use alcohol or drugs to deal with me since March 2, 2016. I have been a proud member of

Oxford House in Topeka Kansas since June of 2016. I have served as the chapter 14 Chairperson more than once. In 2017, I served the state as the East re-entry chairperson. In August 2024, I helped open chapter 23 in Topeka Kansas, where I currently sit as the Chairperson. Since living in Oxford, I have personally helped open 9 houses. I am also currently the housing services east chairperson for the state of Kansas. I have been an advocate for Oxford Housing for many years, speaking at various events and community functions. I get to join other members in taking meetings into Mirror treatment facility every other Wednesday, where I also sit as an alumni member. I had the pleasure of speaking to KDAQ in connection with the jump program that funded over \$250,000 in the expansion of Oxford House Kansas. I am currently the manager at Aristocrat motors, where I hire 90% Oxford Members, providing a safe and sober place for them to work and heal. It has been an honor to serve Oxford and this community.

Antoine alexander • Oxford House Member • Wichita, KS • toineleon.alexander@gmail.com



I am a person in long-term recovery. What that means to me is that I have not found it necessary to use alcohol or drugs since November 23, 2021. I have been a proud member of Oxford House in Wichita Kansas from 2007-2008, in Dodge City Kansas from 2017-2018, in

Hutchinson Kansas from 2019-2021, and currently at the Lincoln House since 2022. I have served as all house positions as well as some chapter positions, I am currently the Co-Chair of Chapter 3. I have been an advocate for Oxford House for many years, speaking at various events and community functions. I get the honor in joining other members in taking meetings into treatment facilities to share my experience, strength, and hope. It has been a blessing to serve Oxford and this community.

Ty DeBarea • Kansas Oxford House State Association I.T. Officer, Chapter 8 Chair, WCC Comptroller, Oxford House Friedberg Seasoned Member • Wichita, Kansas • it@oxfordhousekansas.org



Ty has lived in Oxford House since August of 2020. Ty currently lives in Oxford House Friedberg, a Men with Children's house in Wichita, KS. He has

served at the chapter level in multiple positions, including Chair of two different Wichita chapters three different times. He has been active at the state level, helping to expand Oxford House in Kansas through replication at workshops, convention speaking engagements, web services, fundraisers and more. He currently works for Bel Aire Recovery Center as the Advocate Supervisor and has a passion for helping the still suffering addict who has the desire to stop using mind-altering substances, assist them with learning new coping skills and then finding supportive recovery housing upon their successful discharge. Ty enjoys having fun in recovery with his Oxford family, living his best life in the present and now, still progressing forward on his recovery journey with each of you. Thank you for joining him on this recovery journey, WE DO THIS TOGETHER!

Thomas Simmons • Health Educator, Reno County Health Department & Oxford House Alumnus • Hutchinson, KS • thomas.simmons@renocountyks.gov



Thomas began a path to recovery in 2019 and has since been an advocate for those trying to find their way, regardless of their method. Thomas is a Health Educator at the Reno County Health Department, certified in mental health first aid for youths, as well as

adults. Thomas also works with a non-profit called Kansas Recovery Network, which works to connect people with the necessary resources and get them the harm reduction services and supplies that they need. He believes in equitable services and resources and facilitates and attends various committees, which are committed to making those services a reality.



Mallory Capps, ARNP, FNP-C • Medical Provider at Bel Aire Recovery Center • Wichita, KS • mallory.capps@belairerecovery.com



Mallory Capps, APRN, FNP-C! Mallory was born into a family of medical minds who nurtured her curiosity for science from a very young age and inspired her to pursue a career in the sciences. She completed a degree in biology and spent several years participating in the research and development realm. Her interest in healthcare became undeniable after seeing some of her work enter clinical trial, and this catalyzed her career transition to nursing soon thereafter. Mallory possesses broad nursing experience that extends from the bedside in the intensive care unit and the emergency room to the classroom and the courtroom. Her work as a sexual assault nurse examiner ignited her passion to serve and advocate for the vulnerable and, ultimately, drove her to further elevate her practice in order to be a greater resource to her patients. Once a nurse practitioner, Mallory carried her knowledge and passion into addiction medicine practice, where she found her professional purpose. She joined Bel Aire Recovery Center in the summer of 2021 and continues to spearhead the delivery of inpatient medical detoxification and residential treatment services. Mallory especially enjoys the physiologic complexity and opportunity for personal connection that this work invites. The personal experiences she has had with addiction bring a unique gift of perspective to her care. Mallory has been instrumental in guiding and growing our nursing team with her unique ability to identify needs, create and implement processes, and educate a wide array of nursing talent. Her confident leadership, experience, and love for teaching also takes her to facilities across the country, where she aids in the development of high-performance care teams equipped to deliver the best services possible. She engages with and educates providers, clinicians and sober living environments about the value of medication-assisted treatment and is passionate about combatting stigma that precludes people from getting the lifesaving help that they need. Together with a dedicated team of professionals at Bel Aire Recovery Center, she remains steadfast in her dedication to our mission to improve the lives of those we touch.

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Buster Pulley • Kansas Oxford House State Association Budget & Finance Chair, Chapter 4 Chair • Overland Park, Kansas • busterpulley08@gmail.com



Buster has a current clean date of 1/7/2023. He moved into his Oxford House 5 days later as a guest on the couch. Having worked the steps in multiple 12 step programs. Buster works an active program of Recovery. He has a True passion for Service throughout the Recovery Community. Recipient of the 2023 KC Area Chapter Officer of The Year Award. The current Kansas Oxford House State Association Budget and Finance Chair, as well as the Chapter 4 Chair. Buster is a member of the Consensus Committee for the Kansas Fights Addiction Grant Review Board. He is also Co-Founder of Rise Up Recovery Foundation, a Non-Profit dedicated to improving the efficacy of Treatment Providers.

DJ Mecum • Oxford House Santa Fe Member • Overland Park, Kansas • dmecum08@gmail.com



DJ began his recovery journey in 2016 and has maintained his sobriety since January 1, 2021. During this time, he has opened two Oxford Houses and has held several leadership roles, including Housing Service Chair and Chapter Chair. He also served as Co-Chair for the State Association, demonstrating his commitment to the Oxford House community and the recovery process. With experience in the treatment field and a background as an outreach coordinator for a nonprofit. DJ is dedicated to supporting others in recovery. You'll often find him actively engaged in activities that promote recovery and strengthen the Oxford House community.

Robert Roche • Oxford House World Council, Kansas Oxford House State Treasurer, Chapter 19 Chairman • Topeka, KS • Robs99problems@gmail.com



After completing treatment Robert moved into Oxford House Shunga on February 5th of 2021. Since then he has thrived and has used Oxford House as a platform to clean up the wreckage of his past and relearn valuable life skills. Robert stepped up into a leadership role in February of 2022 when he became chapter chair of a brand new chapter. In January of 2023 Robert was elected to the KOHSA treasurer position and in 2024 was nominated to be the Kansas delegate for World Council and was elected to a 3 year resident term at the Orlando World Convention. Robert has assisted in opening numerous houses in Topeka and has assisted in the planning and organization of many events within his chapter and multi-chapter events.

Chris Razo • Kansas Oxford House State Association Housing Services East Co-Chair, Chapter 1 Parliamentarian, Friends of Recovery Association Board Member • Overland Park, Kansas • crazo0082@gmail.com



Chris Razo began his recovery journey in 2013 when he was accepted into Oxford House Johnson Drive. After serving as the fundraising chair and later the Housing Services Chair, he moved out but faced a setback with a relapse. With renewed determination, Chris returned to Oxford House Johnson Drive, achieving a new sobriety date of May 12, 2017. Since then, he has played a vital role in expanding the Oxford House network by opening Oxford House Grantloch, Oxford House Hemingway, and currently, Oxford House Caritas. His leadership extends to holding positions such as Chapter Chair, Parliamentarian, and various roles at the state level, including Housing Services east chair, Secretary and currently Housing services east co-chair for Oxford House of Kansas. Chris has also is a current board member of Friends of Recovery Association. Chris attributes his accomplishments to his commitment to a program of recovery and active involvement in the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous and Oxford House.

Chris James • Kansas Oxford House State Association Alumni West & ICT Area Alumni Association Chairman • Wichita, Kansas • thehiredgun316@gmail.com



Chris's journey with Oxford House began in June 2018, where he became a member of Oxford House Halo and later North Ash. Over the course of his involvement, he not only embraced the role of membership but also transitioned into an Alumnus. Chris's commitment to the Oxford House mission didn't stop there. He is the Chairman for the ICT Area Alumni Association, where he contributes his insights to further the organization's goals. Moreover, Chris currently holds a position within the Kansas Oxford House State Association as one of the Alumni West Representatives. Through his dedication and leadership, Chris continues to make a meaningful impact within the Oxford House community, helping individuals on their journey to recovery.

Seth McGinnis • Oxford House Alumnus • Southwest KS • sethmcginnis6@gmail.com



Seth is a passionate advocate for mental health and substance use recovery. He co-founded the Southwest Oxford Alumni Association and works to provide support and resources for those struggling with addiction and mental illness. In his professional life, he works as a Crisis Service Provider Program Supervisor at Wayfinder Point for Compass Behavioral Health where he helps individuals and families experiencing a mental health crisis find a pathway towards recovery. His personal experience with mental health challenges and addiction fuels his desire to improve access to care and fight stigma. Outside of work, he volunteers as a firefighter in his community and serves on the Board of Directors for the Friends of Recovery Association. Through his various roles, he strives to make a difference in the lives of those facing adversity and empower people to live their healthiest lives.

Glendale Shaffer • Oxford House Orme Alumnus • Wichita, Ks • shafferglendale502@gmail.com



When Glendale was released from incarceration in May 2019, with a burning desire to stay sober, he was accepted into Oxford House Orme, during his three years in Oxford House. He held multiple positions, including house president, and also served as Chapter housing services co-chair and reentry co-chair, an active member in Wichita Oxford House Alumni. He currently serves as media coordinator, through his passion for a Recovery, Glendale has worked at Belaire Recovery Center and currently works for Mirror Inc. as the Wichita Assessment Center Outpatient Manager, with the mission of changing lives and providing a reflection of hope in the community.

James Lowman • Kansas Oxford House State Association Alumni East • Pittsburg, Kansas • jameslowman1980@gmail.com



James Lowman is a man in long term recovery whose Oxford House journey started in Dodge City in 2019. However he ended up leaving but came back to Oxford House in Pittsburg in July of 2021. James is an active alumni of Oxford House Samoset in Chapter 12. James has held every position at the house level, was the former Chapter 12 Fundraising Chair, and the current South East Kansas Oxford House Alumni Association Chair and the Kansas State Alumni East Chair. James has found his purpose in leading members through the process of becoming an alumni and encourages all members to consider staying connected through the concept of Tradition 9.



Tara Esguerra • Oxford House Paladin Alumnus, Oxford House Kansas State Parliamentarian • Wichita, KS • tara.esguerra@icloud.com



Tara is a Kansas native, originally from Hutchinson, KS. Tara found herself in Wichita, KS where her recovery journey began August 12, 2019. Tara, however, didn't start her Oxford journey until February 2020 by way of the federal courts. At first she was very hesitant of

the whole Oxford House concept but as soon as she got involved as chapter secretary for Chapter 7 that was over. She embraced service work at every level serving in her house, chapter, and state level. Tara's dream of being able to assist with the opening of a new Oxford House came true on July 1, 2022 with Oxford House Paladin. This recovery home was opened and provided a safe and sober living for 8 women and is a M.A.R. friendly home. Tara became an alumni member in April of 2023 and is still actively involved anywhere she is needed, currently holding the state parliamentarian position. Tara loves service work on any level, whether that be in Oxford or in the recovery community! Tara loves spending time with her family and the family she has created through Oxford and recovery! Tara recovers out loud so others don't have to die silently!

Jesse Wilson • Senior Reentry Coordinator, Oxford House Inc. • North Carolina • jesse.wilson@oxfordhouse.org



Jesse is the Senior Reentry Coordinator in North Carolina for Oxford House, Inc. Jesse plays a crucial role in managing the Oxford House Reentry Program, which focuses on assisting individuals in reentering society after incarceration. Jesse Wilson has been in long-term

recovery since January 21st of 2018 and has been working with Oxford House since December 1st of 2019. His personal experience, including serving a prison sentence in the North Carolina Department of Adult Corrections and being released with no options of recovery, has fueled his passion for helping individuals transition back into the community. In addition to his professional work, Jesse is a proud father of a ten-year-old son. He attributes the possibility of his sobriety and family life to God, Oxford House and the program of Alcoholics Anonymous.

James McClain • Emeritus member of the World Council • Maryland • james.mcclain@oxfordhouse.org



James McClain has a clean date of 5/23/1982 and began his journey with Oxford House on 8/1/1982. Mr. McClain started numerous houses in Maryland, Tennessee, Virginia, and Hawaii as well as started the 2nd Chapter in the country. He is an Emeritus member of the World Council after helping start the World Council back in 1997. James is a member of the Board of Directors for Oxford House Inc. He was part of the second workshop held in the country, traveled with Paul for over 17 years, and started the first chapter in Maryland.

Misty Hahn • Senior Outreach Coordinator, Oxford House Inc • Oklahoma • misty.hahn@oxfordhouse.org



Misty Hahn is a Senior Outreach Coordinator for Oxford House Inc. and a C-PRSS with Oklahoma. She has been in long-term recovery since December 10, 2009. She is an alumnus of Oxford House Rita in Wichita, Ks. She moved to Oklahoma in 2013 and co-founder of the Oklahoma City Alumni Association. She

became employed with Oxford House in August 2017. Mrs. Hahn has experience in expanding in rural areas, working with Drug Courts. But one of her favorites is Alumni. Mrs. Hahn's passion is working with women in early recovery and coming from incarceration into an Oxford House. She is grateful for Oxford House and the 12 steps of Alcoholics Anonymous that she gets to live the life she always wanted.

Jackie Huggins • Oxford House State Alumni Association Chair, World Council Alumni Committee Secretary • Alabama • jackiehuggins2020@gmail.com



Since moving into an Oxford House in Montgomery, AL, in February 2020, Jackie Huggins has dedicated herself to various roles. She served as Chapter Chair for Montgomery, Chapter Services and Secretary for Alabama state Association. After leaving Oxford House,

she continued to contribute as a member of the HSC committee and remained active at all levels of service. As a founding member and chair for the first two years of the Alabama State Alumni Association, Jackie has played a crucial role in shaping the group, and she currently serves as its Secretary. She also served as Secretary on the World Council Alumni Committee for two years and is now part of the Alumni National Conference Committee. Her efforts in this role include helping develop suggested bylaws and a pamphlet for Alumni Associations and actively contributing to the planning of the first National Alumni Conference, scheduled for spring 2025.



Elizabeth Lewis • Senior Resource Coordinator, Oxford House Inc • Florida • elizabeth.lewis@oxfordhouse.org



Elizabeth Lewis, FL-Senior Resource Coordinator. She moved into her first OH, Shirley Ann, in 2010 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Once hired, Elizabeth moved to OKC to begin her journey. Oxford House received a contract with Mississippi, and Elizabeth was recommended to pioneer the entire state with zero houses then. In 2015 she was presented the 2015 Founders Award at the World Convention. From Mississippi, she moved back to her home state of Texas, becoming the first Senior Outreach. When you have a plan, God laughs. Elizabeth thought she was back in the Lone Star State for good, only to be asked to move to Florida. In 2019, OHI received a contract with Florida; she moved at that time to begin to grow the Sunshine State. To date, Florida has over 318 houses thus breaking every other state record in regards to the fast growth the history of Oxford House.

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Thomas Floyd is the Regional Manager for Arizona. He was originally an Outreach & Senior Outreach in the state of Oklahoma. He has worked for Oxford House Inc. since October 2015. Thomas worked extensively in Tulsa and surrounding areas to build a strong network of houses and chapters before being promoted to a supervisor position. Thomas has a passion for Housing Services & Reentry. In addition to his work with Oxford House, Thomas is an extremely involved member of Alcoholics Anonymous, serving at the group & District levels.



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