


 **8,910**
total engagements

 **31,964**
total meals served

 **41%**
engaged for
12+ months

 **16K**
total miles traveled

 **21**
zip codes served

 **490**
new participants



PRSS Training + Certifications



1st Annual AZ Harm Reduction Coalition Convening



IOAD 2025



CHR Holiday Party 2025



DPA in Detroit

HARM REDUCTION PROGRAM OUTCOMES

11,890 naloxone doses
distributed

658 overdose prevention
trainings

23,855 care kits
distributed

83,007 syringes safely
disposed

169 overdose
reversals

71% participants report
overdose reduction

62% participants know
how to respond to
an overdose

80% participants more
likely to use sterile
equipment



Letter from the Executive Director

I'm awestruck at the continued growth of Cochise Harm Reduction in 2025. Never did I imagine that starting a harm reduction initiative in Bisbee in 2019 would turn into the incredible community and impact that CHR is today. This year, we expanded into Northern Cochise County, connecting individuals in Willcox and Bowie to harm reduction services for the first time. We invested in staff development, hosting an in-person Peer Recovery Support Specialist training at our office where 9 individuals earned their PRSS certifications. We also focused on statewide coalition building: launching the Arizona Harm Reduction Coalition and organizing our first annual convening right here in Bisbee. And we took our innovative rural model national: CHR was named a Regional Center of Excellence in Harm Reduction and began providing technical assistance to organizations across Arizona and the country. Our entire team was able to travel to the Motor City to share our work at the Drug Policy Alliance's REFORM Conference in November.



None of this would be possible without you: our participants, funders, and partners. Thank you for supporting our community.

Lu Funk, Executive Director & Founder of CHR

QUOTES FROM OUR COMMUNITY

"Thank you for all the help you have given me. You have helped me and my friends stay alive. I can't be more grateful."

"You are the biggest influences in my life today. Honestly, you guys keep me going."

"I'm really grateful for the lengths they will go through to help people. Because of them, I was able to get placed with housing. Thank you. Thank you. God bless."

"Such a blessing to see such an extraordinary program be the backbone this unforgiving desert really needs.... It's only the tip of the iceberg and totally worth it when lives would have been lost but are still here with us today. I know because I am one of those people!!! Thank you for being a light in a dark world."

PEER NAVIGATION

In 2025, we formally launched our Peer Navigation Program, promoting former Outreach Coordinator Vanessa Lopez to CHR's first Peer Navigator. Our Peer Navigation Program focuses on diverting justice-involved participants from incarceration and connecting them to care and treatment.



232 MAT/detox treatment navigations

76% improved access to social services

FOOD ACCESS

We are most proud of a Local Farm Purchasing Agreement with Pinnacle Prevention that allows us to source produce from Echoing Hope and the Local Coop – making our meals even more nutritious and keeping grant funding in our local community. Our ongoing partnership with the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona also expanded: providing commercial-grade kitchen and food storage equipment to grow our meal and pantry programs.



86% increase in total # of meals from 2024

82% of participants report increased access to food

HEALTH + STABILITY

79% improved hygiene

82% improved overall safety

66% reduced ER visits

68% increased social connection

71% improved sense of purpose

PEER WORKFORCE

09 low-barrier contract positions

25 staff certifications

86% of staff have history of homelessness

82% staff report a positive impact on their relationship with drugs