



NEW EARTH RECOVERY  
2025 ANNUAL REPORT



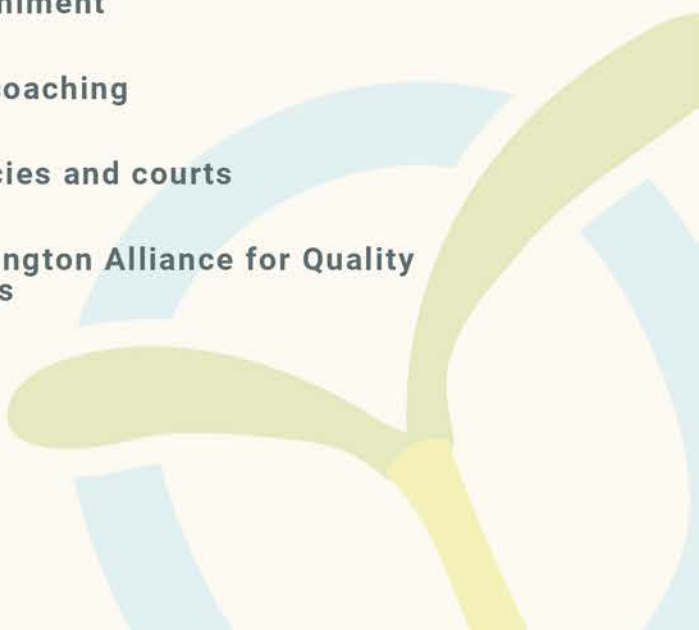
# ABOUT US

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NER is a registered 501c3 nonprofit Christian ministry located in Mount Vernon, Washington, operating eight recovery homes in Skagit County for men and women. We offer entry-level and second-step recovery programs, and a third-step home for women.

**New Earth Recovery loves, strengthens, and accompanies people in recovery from addiction through faith-based healing community.**

-  The only long-term residential program in the region
-  Close staff accompaniment
-  Relapse prevention coaching
-  Recognized by agencies and courts
-  Accredited by Washington Alliance for Quality Recovery Residences





# OUR CORE VALUES

# OUR PROGRAM



**Effective  
and Proven  
Recovery  
Practices**



**homes for  
men &  
women**



**entry-  
level  
homes**



**second  
step  
homes**



**third  
step  
home**

**Healthy  
Community**



**long-  
term  
stays**



**close  
care from  
staff**



**goals &  
life  
skills**



**grace-  
based  
approach**

**Engaging  
People in  
Christian  
Faith**

**Advocacy**



**healthy  
community**



**recovery  
coaching**



**therapeutic  
gardening**



**faith &  
prayer**



# THE NEED



Though over 19 million Americans struggled with substance addiction in 2025, only a small fraction received treatment.

In Skagit County and nationwide, fentanyl remains the primary threat, as the main driver of overdose fatalities. Fentanyl is often mixed into other substances like cocaine and methamphetamine without the user's knowledge, making the drug supply more dangerous. In addition, use of methamphetamine and cocaine is increasing, due to low cost, high potency, and use as a coping mechanism for stress.

Because of soaring rental costs and limited spaces, those who attend treatment often have nowhere to go afterward, making our program of entry-level and second-step homes—which do not limit length of stay—a critical part of the healing process.

## WHAT CAUSES HOMELESSNESS?

Most of us have opinions about the root causes of homelessness. We believe it's caused by social policies, addiction, mental illness, poverty, racial bias, and even the climate of certain locations. In the book *Homelessness Is a Housing Problem*, Gregg Colburn looks at each of these factors—and, one by one, eliminates each as a primary cause. The final inescapable conclusion is that the availability and cost of housing is the only significant predictor of whether a community will experience a homelessness crisis.

In the Skagit Valley, housing is expensive and hard to find. Thus, we have a challenging homelessness problem. We as a community started addressing the issue far too late to avoid the crisis. But we can work toward resolving these issues in big and small ways.

What we're doing at NER is making a difference. We can house 59 people, most of whom did not have a housing plan before they came to us to work on their recovery. Our residents are healing, building a foundation of recovery, learning life and job skills, moving closer to full employment, and taking other steps to make it more likely they will find a sustainable life when they step out from under our roof.





**76**  
served

## 2025 BY THE NUMBERS

**18**  
found  
stable  
housing

**23**  
graduated  
outpatient  
treatment

**35**  
repaired  
family  
relationships

**17** got  
a  
job

**13**  
started  
college

**18**  
got a  
driver's  
license

**8**  
resolved  
criminal  
cases

**32**  
deepened  
faith





# NOTABLE EVENTS



IN OCTOBER, THE MUIAS TAUGHT A DAY SEMINAR, "RECOVERY FOR EVERYONE," AS PART OF OUR MISSION TO EQUIP LOCAL CHURCHES.

PARTNERING WITH LOCAL AGENCIES, WE HELD THE 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY, INCLUDING A MARCH FOR RECOVERY, TESTIMONIES OF RECOVERY, AND ACKNOWLEDGING THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY THIS YEAR.

WE HIRED OUR EIGHTH STAFF MEMBER, CARL BRIGHAM, WHO IS A GRADUATE OF THE NEW RECOVERY PROGRAM. CARL DIRECTS THE NEW MEN'S GRADUATE HOME.

WE EVACUATED SIX OF OUR HOMES DURING THE HISTORIC SKAGIT RIVER FLOOD--HAPPY TO REPORT THAT ALL RESIDENTS AND PROPERTIES WERE SAFE.

*Because of your support, we are able to receive guidance, encouragement and support from people who believe in us when nobody else has. It's because of you, and others like you, that I have begun to trust. I have a community; I'm finding my purpose; I'm a believer.*

# BIG NEWS

Our biggest news of 2025 is opening two new houses! Alder House, pictured below and on the cover, is a spacious, bright, newly constructed home for graduate men. Walter Street House--the parsonage of one of our church partners--is our first-ever "third step" home for women.







NER STAFF, BOARD MEMBERS, RESIDENTS, AND GRADUATES AT THE NEWLY BUILT MEN'S GRADUATE HOUSE



# OUR STAFF

Alan Muia | Executive Director

Amy Muia | Associate Director

Sara Wevodau | House Director, Willow House

Stephanie Joy | House Director, Juniper House

Patrick Wilson | House Director, The Trust

Dale Henry | House Director, The Foundation

Stacey Rohweder | House Director, Faith House

Lorinda Conley | Assistant House Director, Faith House

Om Roberts | House Director, Cedar House

Carl Brigham | House Director, Alder House

Did you  
**5** know?  
of our  
staff are  
program  
graduates



## GENESIS RELAPSE PREVENTION COACHING

Genesis Relapse Prevention coaching, where residents explore the origins of addictive behaviors, is critical to long-term success. Residents meet weekly in Genesis groups, and receive coaching one-on-one with Genesis volunteer coaches.

Thank you so much for  
love and support you  
give to new earth recovery,  
from all of us grateful  
ladies at the faith house!  
I truly feel blessed  
to be in the house.  
Again, thank you and  
Have a blessed day!!



Thank You,  
from all  
the girls

IN 2025, WE HOSTED  
CHANGE GROUPS FOR  
PROGRAM GRADUATES  
AT RECOVERY CAFE  
SKAGIT, AS PART OF OUR  
ONGOING ALUMNI  
OUTREACH.

IN APRIL, ALAN AND AMY  
MUIA TAUGHT THE 40  
HOUR GENESIS COURSE  
IN COEUR D'ALENE.  
THEY'LL OFFER THE  
COURSE IN MOUNT  
VERNON IN APRIL 2026.



# VOLUNTEERING

It takes a community to help people recover. New Earth Recovery volunteers give rides, bring meals, perform routine maintenance, attend courses to learn more about addiction and recovery, and support residents through cards and encouragement.



Thank you very much  
for your kind donation.  
It's folks like you that give  
me and others a second chance  
at life

Sincerely,  
STEVE

God Bless you

Thank you for your  
continued support and  
prayers for the Faith  
House. Your support allows  
us a second chance at  
a great life

God Bless  
Danni R.

# OUR PARTNERS

SKAGIT COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH  
SKAGIT COUNTY DETOX  
COMMUNITY ACTION  
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES  
EVERGREEN RECOVERY SERVICES  
LIFELINE CONNECTIONS  
FIRST STEP SHELTER  
FRIENDSHIP HOUSE  
COMMUNITY COURT  
TIERRA NUEVA  
RECOVERY CAFE SKAGIT  
UNDERGROUND MINISTRIES  
CHAD FISHER CONSTRUCTION  
CASCADE LUMBER  
MOUNT VERNON BUILDING CENTER

BETHANY COVENANT CHURCH  
COMMUNITY COVENANT OF CLEAR LAKE  
FAITH COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP  
FIRST LUTHERAN  
FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED  
COMMUNION CHURCH  
GRACE PRESBYTERIAN  
MOUNT VERNON PRESBYTERIAN  
HIS PLACE







## RESIDENT WORDS

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“ It is teaching us to live with accountability and so much more. It's like getting a second chance. Thank you so much.

I am so grateful for this program. In July I celebrated 10 months clean and sober. I've had the opportunity to learn so much.

“ I got here about one month ago, so broken, but have since healed by doing the Genesis Process, and church every Sunday really helps. I look forward to the future ahead and continuing to grow.

It is here where we rebuild our lives again, and it is made possible with the donations from charitable individuals such as yourself.

“ After years of homelessness and the prison system, this program has been such a huge blessing.

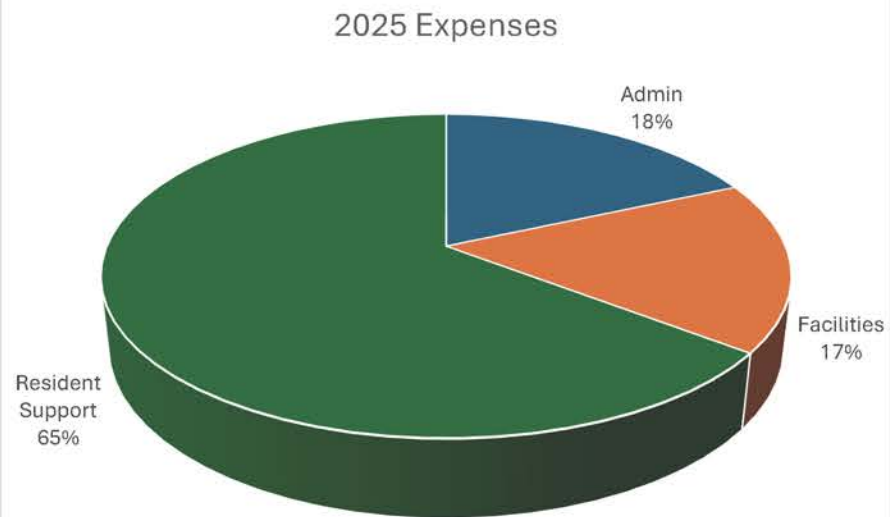
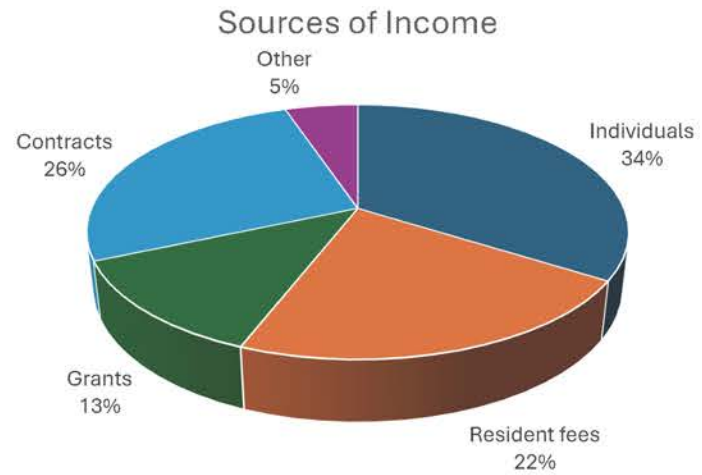
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I just wanted to thank you for what you gave into this program New Earth. I'm very thankful for this place Bcuz it saved my life. So w/out you, it wouldn't be possible. Thanks - Mike

MY NAME IS JASON & I AM CURRENTLY AT THE CEDAR HOUSE WITH NEW EARTH RECOVERY. I WANTED TO PERSONALLY THANK YOU SINCERELY FOR SPONSERING THIS PROGRAM BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN A LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE & A POSITIVE JOURNEY COMPARED TO MY OLD CHAOTIC LIFE. I NOW KNOW GOD EXIST & WORKSTHRU PEOPLE LIKE YOU. GOD BLESS YOU. SINCERELY JASON



# INCOME & EXPENSES



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