



NEW EARTH RECOVERY
2024 ANNUAL REPORT



WHO WE ARE



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

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



**Effective
and Proven
Recovery
Practices**

**Healthy
Community**

**Engaging
People in
Christian
Faith**

Advocacy





OUR PROGRAM

6

homes for
men &
women

3

entry-
level
homes

3

second
step
homes

9

month
entry-
level stay

+

longer
term
graduate
stays

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close
care from
staff

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goals &
life
skills

A blue leaf icon with a stem.

grace-
based
approach

A blue heart icon.

healthy
community

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recovery
coaching

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therapeutic
gardening

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faith &
prayer

THE NEED



Addiction has always been a major issue in our county, but following the pandemic and the increase of lethal drugs like fentanyl, overdoses and addiction-related crime are on the rise. At the same time, recovery housing in Skagit County (and affordable housing as a whole) is scarce.

When we first began New Earth Recovery in 2011, graduates of our program could find employment and afford a small apartment. Now, because of soaring rental costs and limited spaces, our graduates have nowhere to go. The need to expand our entry-level houses and operate more second-step houses—which do not limit length of stay—is critical.

2024 BY THE NUMBERS

57
served

6
found
stable
housing

5
resolved
criminal
cases

21
graduated
outpatient
treatment

10
started
college

6
renewed
child
visitation

11
got
a
job

27
deepened
faith

29
repaired
family
relationships

15
got a
driver's
license

NOTABLE EVENTS



RECOVERY CAFE LAUNCHED UNDER NER UMBRELLA EARLY 2023, AND BECAME AN INDEPENDENT 501C3 IN DECEMBER 2024.

RECEIVED FUNDING FROM DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO OPEN NEW GRADUATE HOUSE FOR MEN (HILLTOP) - OPENED MARCH 1 WITH CAPACITY FOR 8 MEN.

AFTER THREE YEARS OF PLANNING, THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON APPROVED THE DIVISION OF THE CEDAR HOUSE LOT. CAPITAL CAMPAIGN "ROOM TO GROW" BEGUN TO CONSTRUCT OUR 7TH HOME, TO BE AN ENTRY-LEVEL MEN'S HOUSE.

NOW GENERATING MORE ENERGY THAN WE'RE USING IN OUR TWO SOLAR-POWERED HOUSES. ELECTRIC BILL ONLY \$8/MONTH IN PERPETUITY.



22 RESIDENTS AND STAFF ATTENDED RECOVERY DAY AT THE MARINERS.

NER BOARD DEVELOPS SUCCESSION PLAN FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

PROVIDED THANKSGIVING MEAL TO RESIDENTS, HOSTED BY COMMUNION CHURCH.

7TH ANNUAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS EVENT TO REMEMBER 49 PEOPLE WHO DIED OF OVERDOSE IN SKAGIT COUNTY, A 40% INCREASE OVER THE PRIOR YEAR.

STAFF MEMBERS RANDALL SIMMONS AND ELIZABETH COOKSEY END THEIR SERVICE; STACEY ROHWEDER, OMY ROBERTS, AND LORINDA CONLEY HIRED.

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Announcing the start of our \$850,000 capital campaign, "Room to Grow," which will close the gap on building a brand-new men's house on our recently divided Cedar House lot. We're already halfway there, with help from the City of Mount Vernon. The campaign will also cover the purchase of Hilltop House, one of our men's graduate houses (of which we already own 1/3, thanks to some generous donors).

When we started, we never imagined we'd have seven homes! We began with one, but the need continued to grow, and we kept going. We're proud to fully own four of our houses debt-free, making New Earth Recovery sustainable for a long future.

ROOM TO GROW
2024 CAPITAL
CAMPAIGN



OUR STAFF

- Alan Muia | Executive Director
- Amy Muia | Associate Director
- Sara Wevodau | House Director, Willow House
- Stephanie Joy | House Director, Faith House
- Patrick Wilson | House Director, The Trust
- Dale Henry | House Director, The Foundation
- Stacey Rohweder | House Director, Hilltop House
- Lorinda Conley | Assistant House Director, Faith House
- Om Roberts | House Director, Cedar House

Did you
4 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.

Finding myself through Genesis was one of the hardest and emotionally exhausting things I've done, but well worth it because I found myself to be a strong woman who had the ability to reach out and be stronger in relationships with friends and family.

-Jill



2024 GENESIS RELAPSE PREVENTION TRAININGS ::

DEAN PERRY TAUGHT THE 40-HOUR COACH TRAINING AT MOUNT VERNON PRESBYTERIAN; ALAN AND AMY TAUGHT A ONE-DAY "RECOVERY FOR EVERYONE" COURSE AT BELLINGHAM COVENANT.

MUIAS WILL TEACH THE FULL COURSE IN APRIL 2025 IN SPOKANE.



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 advocacy.

we could not do our work
and ministry without *you*



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

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

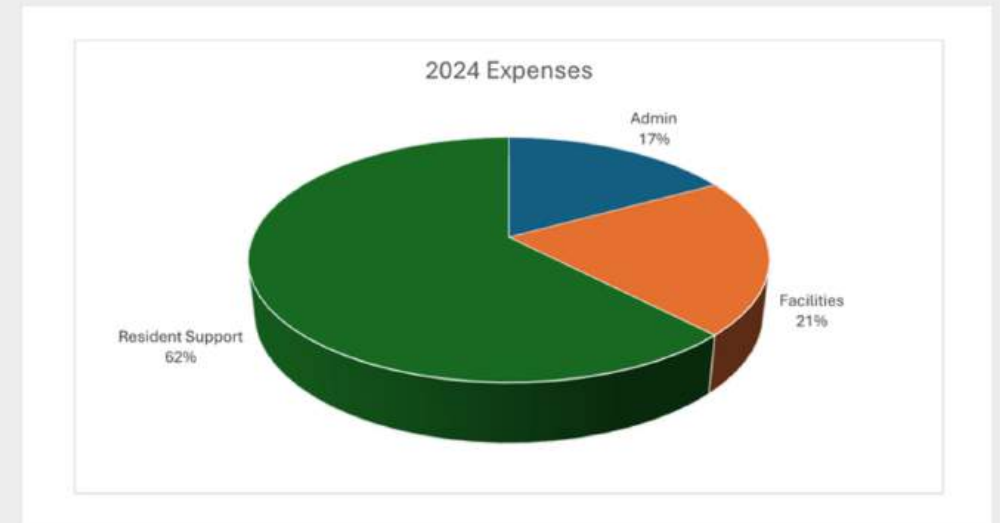
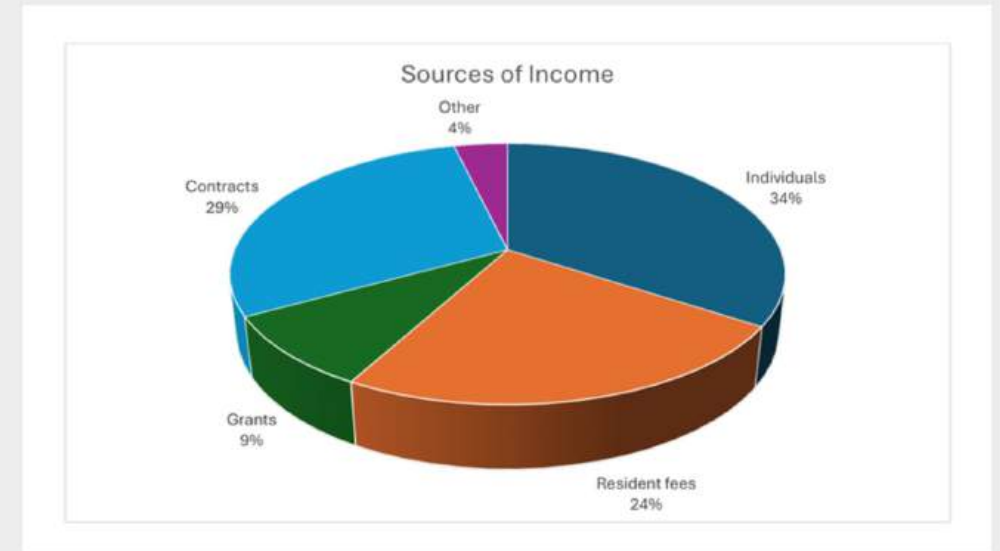
ON THE SCREEN

Need some inspiration? Check out our 2024 New Earth Recovery video, and see the transformation right before your eyes.

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INCOME & EXPENSES





RESIDENT WORDS

“
NER gave me the safest place possible to grieve and heal. The security has allowed me to maintain my sobriety, and provided opportunities to keep repairing and growing in all areas. Thanks to this program, I'm learning to thrive, instead of just surviving.
-Krista

NER has been a game-changer in my life. It's shown me how much faith and recovery go together, while showing love and compassion to myself and others.
-Jeff

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Gave me a home to take refuge and solace from the outside world.
-Rachael

NER has not only provided a much-needed space of sanctity and peace, but also the guidance to begin living a healthy and rewarding life.
-Zack

I'm beyond grateful that New Earth has shown me love and support while I was healing and learning to forgive and love myself through my recovery journey.
-Jill

“
The people of NER showed me a new way of living: one I had convinced myself was impossible . . . but the way love crept back into my heart felt so natural, like a dying plant revived from getting what it needed.
-Sarah

New Earth Recovery has done a lot for me—it's the first time I've ever gotten out of treatment and had a supportive environment to go to. To have people who support us in this program is really a blessing.
-Anthony

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I felt a very strong culture of brotherhood...real recovery and God... from the minute I walked into the house.
-Terrance



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