

Sustaining Substance Use Recovery Housing for People Taking Medications for Opioid Use Disorder:

Diverse Funding, Strategic Partnerships, and Charging Rent



HOW DO RECOVERY HOMES HELP?

Recovery homes give people:

- A safe, stable place to live
- A welcoming space for people taking medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD)
- Support for long-term recovery

WHAT DID WE DO?

We interviewed 29 house managers, program directors, and operators from 10 of Project Homes' 14 recovery residences in Texas to learn about how they balance the costs, policies, and resources to keep a recovery home open.

WHAT DID WE LEARN?

It's hard to balance finances with quality recovery home services.

Homes Rely on Multiple Funding Sources

- Managers used a mix of donations, grants, and public funds
- Each source had different rules—and wasn't always reliable

Homes Lean on Strategic Partnerships

- Stakeholders used professional networks and certifications to get funding.

Homes Charge Rent When Public Funds End

- Some homes had to charge rent to stay open
- That means people who can't pay often lose access to recovery home services.



The Opioid Epidemic: Over 7 million people in the U.S. are affected by opioid use disorder (OUD).

WHAT'S NEXT?

Recovery Home Managers | Build strong partnerships and professional networks to lower costs and find funding.

Policy Makers | Establish long-term government funding and reduce barriers to professional certifications and development.

Researchers | Help with planning, program evaluation, and grant writing to sustain recovery homes.

Project HOMES:



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