



The Need:

1 in 25 adults in the United States experiences persistent and serious mental illness that substantially interferes with their lives. In Beaufort County that translates to over 7,500 people.

Public agencies are under-funded, under-staffed and focus on short-term treatment instead of long-term recovery.

The Solution:

The Clubhouse International model has been implemented in 320 communities in 34 countries since 1948. Clubhouses offer people living with mental illness opportunities for friendship, employment, education and help with access to housing and medical services in a caring and safe environment so they can participate as valued and respected members of society.

The Beaufort County Clubhouse will be a membership-based community. Participants are *members* - not patients, consumers, or clients. They share ownership of and responsibility for the success of the organization. Our Clubhouse is organized around a work-ordered day, wherein members work with staff to operate the Clubhouse.

BEAUFORT COUNTY CLUBHOUSE

Our vision is that people living with persistent mental illness will be empowered to reach their full potential and will participate as productive members of their community.

Our mission is to provide a safe, welcoming, and productive place for individuals living with persistent mental illness by establishing an accredited Clubhouse in Beaufort County, SC.



We will potentially serve 250 adults each year, with an active membership of approximately 150 and an estimated daily attendance of 40 members.

Membership is free and voluntary, long-term, and open to anyone living with persistent mental illness.

Clubhouse features:
Employment programs, social & recreational opportunities, assistance & support accessing community services.

Clubhouse benefits:
An improved quality of life, higher employment, reduced healthcare costs, fewer incarcerations.

Are you inspired to get involved?

We need:

- Organizational Partners
- Funders
- Volunteers:
 - ◇ Attorney (501c3, etc.)
 - ◇ Architect (Build-out)
 - ◇ Fundraiser
 - ◇ Grant writer
 - ◇ PR, marketing, & social networking specialists
 - ◇ AND MANY MORE!

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