



**BRAD LOVAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

## Here's what has happened in the last month and what's to come!

As we reflect on the month of May, I am reminded of the strength that comes from unity. This past month, Sozo Recovery Center was blessed by the outpouring of support from our community — not just through financial giving or attendance at events, but through the spirit of belief in the mission of recovery. From the energy at our Annual Golf Tournament to the powerful presence during the Survivors Poker Run, your involvement sends a clear message: every man deserves the chance to recover, rebuild, and reclaim his life.

We also continue to deepen our partnerships with local agencies like 100 Families and the Hot Springs Community Resource Center, working together to ensure no man walks this road alone.

To our donors, volunteers, referral partners, and friends — thank you. Your support is more than appreciated; it's essential. You are part of every changed life, every restored family, and every man who walks out of our doors with hope in his heart.

With gratitude,



Enjoy this month's newsletter!

### In this newsletter you can expect:

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Golf Tournament Highlights – A look back at the event, winners, and community impact

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Survivors Poker Run Recap – Powerful moments from a weekend of recovery, rides, and support

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Partner Spotlights – Collaboration stories with 100 Families & the Hot Springs Community Resource Center

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## 2025 ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

May 17, 2025

**Sozo Recovery Center's Annual Golf Tournament** was held at the beautiful Hot Springs Village — and it was a day to remember. Supporters from all over came together not just to play golf, but to invest in transformed lives. From the early tee times to the final putt, the day was filled with laughter, community, and a shared commitment to recovery. Proceeds from the tournament go directly toward helping men overcome addiction and rebuild their lives through our residential program and long-term recovery services.

"We're not just swinging clubs — we're helping men take back their futures." – Event Participant

We extend our deepest gratitude to every golfer, volunteer, and sponsor who made the day such a success. Your support makes freedom possible.



## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

On May 20, 2025, Sozo Recovery Center participated in the "Wrapping Around Families in Care" monthly alliance meeting, hosted by the **100 Families Initiative of Garland County**. This gathering brought together a diverse group of community partners, to discuss collaborative strategies for supporting families in crisis.



Over Memorial Day weekend, the roads were filled with roaring engines, open hearts, and a powerful sense of purpose. **The Survivors Poker Run**, hosted by an incredible community of riders and advocates, raised awareness and support for the mission of Sozo Recovery Center.

**Bikers from across the US** rode in unity to show that recovery is real, and second chances matter. From registration to the final card draw, every mile ridden told a story of hope, healing, and the power of community.



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## BUILDING BRIDGES: SOZO PARTNERS WITH HOT SPRINGS COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

MAY 27, 2025



Sozo Recovery Center is proud to announce an exciting new partnership with the Hot Springs Community Resource Center. On May 27th, Nicole Cherry, Sozo's Business Development Coordinator, met with Chris Joannides, Executive Director of the Resource Center, to discuss collaborative ways to better serve individuals in crisis across Garland County.

The Resource Center will serve as a central hub for nonprofits, providing a one-stop space where individuals and families can access vital services — from housing and food to treatment and counseling.





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## CLOSING OUT MAY ON THE RED CARPET



We closed out the month of May with purpose and pride as Sozo Recovery Center attended the Wolfe Street Foundation's Red Carpet Recovery Gala on May 29th. This inspiring evening brought together recovery advocates, treatment providers, and community leaders from across Arkansas to celebrate the ongoing work being done in the fight against addiction.

One of the evening's most powerful moments was witnessing Arkansas Attorney General Tim Griffin receive the Leadership Award for his advocacy in support of addiction treatment and recovery efforts statewide. Our Sozo team was honored to be present and to stand alongside others who share our commitment to healing, hope, and lasting change.





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## COMING SOON TO 505 W GRAND AVE- A LIFE SAVER FOR GARLAND COUNTY



**Big things are happening at Sozo Recovery Center.** We're excited to announce that we've secured the first-ever Conditional Use Permit in the City of Hot Springs to open a residential treatment center and medical detox unit — right here at 505 W Grand Ave. While the building is still undergoing preparations, this location marks a major step forward in our mission to serve our community with faith-based, evidence-based, co-occurring treatment.

### **You Can Be Part of the Impact**

This expansion will allow us to increase residential treatment beds, serve more families in crisis, and bring life-saving detox services to a county that desperately needs it. If you've ever asked how you can help bring change to our community—this is it.

- ➡ Stay tuned for renovation updates
- ➡ Partner with us in prayer and support
- ➡ Reach out to learn how you can contribute to this next chapter of healing



## New Sozo Recovery Referral Form is LIVE!

We've made it even easier to refer individuals to Sozo Recovery Center. Whether you're a provider, probation officer, family member, or community partner — you can now submit referrals quickly and securely online.

Simply scan the QR code or click the link to access the form. It's HIPAA-compliant, mobile-friendly, and designed to get people the help they need without delay.

### [SOZO RECOVERY REFERRAL FORM](#)

Have questions or need help with the referral process?

Reach out to

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**Coordinator**  
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We're here to help every step of the way.

*Thank you for reading!*

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