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SAFE Glen Cove Coalition: September is National Recovery Month

Every September the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) sponsors Recovery Month to increase awareness and understanding of mental and substance use disorders and celebrate the people who recover. Recovery Month also promotes the message that recovery in all of its forms is possible and encourages citizens to take action to help expand and improve the availability of effective prevention, treatment and recovery services for those in need. Now in its 31st year, Recovery Month celebrates the gains made by those living in recovery and works to promote and support new evidence-based treatment and recovery practices.

This year's theme is entitled "Join the Voices for Recovery: Celebrating Connections" emphasizes the integration of Medication Integration Treatment in treatment recovery and support, transforming lives through supportive employment, communities supporting recovery and the importance of integrating recovery support services using the certified clinical behavioral health clinic model. During the 31st anniversary of Recovery Month, communities across the nation will reflect on their positive strides and their plans to make recovery support services more accessible so people can live meaningful and productive lives. Over the years, recovery-oriented organizations have also played an essential role in states, cities, towns, and neighborhoods to help countless people start and sustain their recovery.

After 30 years of sponsoring National Recovery Month, SAMHSA is turning the reigns over to the recovery community. This September, Faces & Voices of Recovery, as a stakeholder and active member of this community, will host a new website that will serve as the central location for all recovery events. For more information please visit https://rm.facesandvoicesofrecovery.org/

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is a branch of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. It is charged with improving the quality and availability of treatment and rehabilitative services in order to reduce illness, death, disability, and the cost to society resulting from substance abuse and mental illnesses. For more information about SAMHSA please visit www.samhsa.gov.

SAFE, Inc. is the only alcohol and substance abuse prevention, intervention and education agency in the City of Glen Cove. Its Coalition supports individuals in recovery. To learn more about the SAFE Glen Cove Coalition please follow us on www.facebook.com/safeglencovecoalition or visit www.safeglencove.org.

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