



WHERE RECOVERY BEGINS

Women's Recovery Center Merges with The LCADA Way

Substance abuse treatment providers join forces to serve more women on their journey to overcome the disease of addiction

Cleveland, Ohio – Women's Recovery Center (WRC) and The LCADA Way announced today that the two nonprofits have merged in an effort to serve more women battling the disease of addiction. WRC's facility on Storer Avenue in Cleveland will continue to operate under its current model focused on outpatient treatment and supportive services exclusively for women on the path to recovery. The merger with The LCADA Way will empower WRC to scale its work and serve more women in need.

"The Women's Recovery Center has a 36-year history of serving women in need of support; by merging with The LCADA Way, we will honor that tradition and grow it," said Stacey Reid, Chair of WRC. "The team at The LCADA Way share our values and our passion for this mission, and we are thrilled to join forces with them and continue to provide the best treatment for women battling the disease of addiction."

Women's Recovery Center began as the Westside Women's Center in early 1986, located on the second floor of a building on West 29th and Lorain Avenue. In 1990, WRC became a certified alcohol and drug addiction treatment center and the first to provide counseling for women living with HIV and AIDS. In 2021 the organization became CARF accredited.

The LCADA Way was founded in 1981, and over the past four decades has refined and grown its unique approach to helping individuals recover from addiction and substance abuse and receive care for behavioral health care needs. The LCADA Way now serves thousands of individuals annually at multiple locations across three northeast Ohio counties. By uniting with WRC, The LCADA Way hopes to continue the relationships and women-focused model of WRC while helping to improve service delivery, operations, and the ability to increase the number of women served.

"We were attracted to this merger because of our deep respect for the great work that The Women's Recovery Center has been known for over decades," said Dan Haight, CEO of The LCADA Way. "In conversations with their leadership team, both groups realized that we could serve more women in need by coming together. With the threat of fentanyl and the opioid epidemic still raging, the need has never been greater. We look forward to continuing and building on the tradition of service that WRC has established on Storer Avenue in Cleveland."

Mr. Haight explained that the Storer Avenue location will retain the Women's Recovery Center name, maintain the current staff and build on its presence in the City of Cleveland. "We see this as a great opportunity to keep meeting people in need where they are – this location is important in doing that," he said.