Northeast Recovery Learning Community (NERLC)

## July 2025 NEWSLETTER

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Sign up to receive our Newsletter Monthly by scanning QR code here!











Drop-In hours are available to anyone in need of Peer Support or to come ask questions at our Beverly office!

## EVERY WEDNESDAY 10AM-12PM

<u>100 Cummings Center</u> Suite 341C Beverly, MA

Support via phone is available during these hours as well! Call **978-620-0204** 









NERLC provides welcoming, safe, understanding, judgement-free spaces where individuals of diverse backgrounds can gather for healing and growth. We are a community of peers in recovery from mental health challenges, addiction and or traumatic life experiences. The NERLC supports individuals on their journeys to obtaining and maintaining a wellness in a variety of ways, including: 1:1 peer support, peer support groups, self-directed recovery-oriented trainings, advocacy and through an array of community events and activities. We serve 69 cities and towns throughout the Northeast region.







## In-Person Groups

All groups are open to the public and free to attend

Monday	<ul> <li>Coffee &amp; Friends 9am-12pm</li> <li>Coffee Walks 10am-11am</li> <li>Intentional Artistry 11am-12pm</li> <li>Awareness Meditation 12pm-1pm</li> </ul>
Tuesday	<ul> <li>Coffee &amp; Friends 9am-12pm</li> </ul>
Wednesday	<ul> <li>Coffee &amp; Friends 9am-12pm</li> <li>Art Expressions 10am-11am</li> <li>Early Adult Wellness Meetup 12pm-1pm         <ul> <li>July 2 &amp; July 16</li> </ul> </li> <li>Coffee Talk 12pm-1pm</li> <li>Life is Good 1pm-2pm</li> </ul>
Thursday	<ul> <li>Coffee &amp; Friends 9am-12pm</li> <li>8 Dimensions of Wellness w/ Older Adults 12pm-1pm</li> </ul>
Friday	• LGBTQIA+ 2pm-3pm

July 22	• Movie Time! 1pm-3pm
July 28	<ul> <li>Creative Mindfulness 12pm-1pm</li> </ul>







## Zoom Groups

All groups are open to the public and free to attend

Monday	• Social Hour 1pm-2pm
Tuesday	<ul> <li>Recovery Meditation 3pm-4pm</li> </ul>
Wednesday	<ul> <li>Recolectando en Equilibrio 11am-12pm</li> </ul>
Thursday	<ul> <li>Recovery Meditation 9am-10am</li> <li>Parents Peer to Peer 12pm-1pm</li> <li>Social Workspace 3pm-5pm</li> </ul>
Friday	<ul> <li>Collecting In Balance 10:30am-11:30am</li> </ul>







## CREATIVE MINDFULNESS

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Monday Each Month 12:00pm - 1:00pm



COME PARTICIPATE IN OUR WELLNESS-FOCUSED ADULT CREATIVE SESSION. UNLEASH YOUR CREATIVITY AND EXPERIENCE THE JOY OF MINDFULNESS AS YOU CREATE A MASTERPIECE!

#### Lawrence Public Library, 51 Lawrence St. Lawrence, MA 01840, Robert Frost Room

Contact: Nicole at nmerrow@nilp.org or (978) 291 - 5697







# ភាទ្យេមិត្តភាព Coffee & Friends

#### **Monday to Thursday**

9am-12pm 325 Chelmsford St Suite #1 Lowell, MA 01851



For more information contact: Sothi Sisowath (978) 620 - 0297 Vandy Savann (978) 620 - 5382







### COFFEE WALKS AT CUMMINGS CENTER

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We invite you to join our walking group every Monday! We will meet at Flip The Bird, where you can purchase your own coffee or beverage. Following that, we will set off on a group walk, providing an excellent opportunity for exercise and fresh air.







Come join us for a guided art/crafting session in a wellness focused group. Art and creating can be a way to keep yourself well and grounded while building social connections and empowerment. Everyone is welcome to create, no experience necessary. Art supplies for the activity will be provided but feel free to also bring your own supplies to work on your own project!

Contact Reanna Legere 978-291-5714







# SOCIAL HOUR

Join this safe and judgement free group where you can socialize with others who enjoy making friends and having healthy conversations about their wellbeing.

Mondays 1pm-2pm on Zoom



scan the QR code or click here to join <u>Meeting ID:</u> 862 9184 8196



Contact Matt at maronstein@nilp.org or 978-620-0204







## Awareness Meditation



## FREE MEDITATION GROUP

#### Mondays @12pm Lowell Senior Center

Seniors come join us for recovery, awareness, relaxation and self-care.

<u>Contact</u> Narong Hul (978) 566-1926 nhul@nilp.org







## AFTERNOON Lecovery Meditation

Meditation focused on recovery awareness, relaxation and self-care.



**Every Tuesday** 

3-4 pm

On Zoom Scan the QR code or click here to join

Meeting ID: 870 0006 8244



## ART EXPRESSIONS

creative activities peer support group

Wednesdays 10am-11am Woburn Public Library 45 Pleasant Street, Woburn, MA, 01801

Express yourself through different types of art, such as drawing, coloring, writing, or collaging. Our group offers a warm and welcoming space for everyone to grow and express themselves.

For questions contact Lisa at: LRivard@nilp.org





#### YOU ARE NOT ALONE!

Come join us for peer to peer conversations with a cup of coffee.

#### WEDNESDAYS 12PM-1PM

#### SALEM DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH (DMH) SITE OFFICE

45 Congress St. Salem, MA 01970

Please call Mandy at 978-245-8456





Wellness Meetup ages 25 - 35



Lawrence Public Library 51 Lawrence St. Lawrence, MA 01840

#### **<u>Robert Frost Room</u>**

This group will have activities designed to foster openness, encourage effective communication, and create a sense of community as we discuss mental wellness.

contact Nicole: nmerrow@nilp.org







#### Recolectando en Equilibrio

Miercoles 11am-12pm Zoom



<u>Escanea el código QR o</u> <u>haz clic aquí para unirte</u> ID de Reunión: 864 0234 7880

El propósito de este grupo es brindar un espacio seguro y sin prejuicios donde las personas que coleccionan en exceso puedan reunirse para compartir sus experiencias, aprender estrategias de afrontamiento y apoyarse mutuamente en el manejo de sus hábitos. Este grupo creará un sentido de comunidad y empoderamiento, ayudando a los miembros a lograr un equilibrio saludable en sus hábitos de coleccionismo.





Todas las actividades de la Northeast Recovery Learning Community (NERLC) se llevan a cabo con el apoyo de la Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Department of Mental Health- Recovery Learning Community.

## Life is Good ជីវិតាង៍ល្អ

Contact Peer Specialist Vincent Un vun@nilp.org / (978) 291 - 5125

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Join us as we build connection through sharing our life experiences and inspire hope and resilience to promote health and well being.







## MORNING Recovery Meditation

Meditation focused on recovery awareness, relaxation and self-care.



**Every Thursday** 

#### 9-10 am

On Zoom <u>Scan the QR code or</u> <u>click here to join</u>

Meeting ID: 894 0813 0855





THURSDAYS 12PM-1PM ON ZOOM Being a parent in general can be hard. Being a parent while juggling the struggles of life can be lonely and overwhelming. This group is a place to feel welcomed and to find community from other parents who are also looking for support while navigating the world of parenthood.



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Meeting ID: 811 8899 0366 Scan the QR code or click here to join

Contact Reanna Legere 978-291-5714 rlegere@nilp.org







# Exploring the Eight Dimensions of Wellness with Older Adults



## Thursdays

#### 12pm-1pm

100 Cummings Center Suite 341C Beverly, MA

Contact Jennifer jboles@nilp.org or 978-620-0314

Come join an eight-week group on the Eight Dimensions of Wellness with Older Adults, as we explore how it can support your wellbeing. We will explore each week one of the dimensions of wellness, how it can support your well-being in self-awareness, self-care, and what matters to you.







## Online Social Workspace

Our aim is to create a space to work on a project you're passionate about with support from others. Use this group as a 'body double' or interact with likeminded individuals and meet others with different perspectives!

#### THURSDAYS ON ZOOM 3PM - 5PM





SCAN THE QR CODE OR CLICK HERE TO JOIN MEETING ID: 811 4931 2983

Contact Nicole with Questions (978)291-5697 nmerrow@nilp.org





## Gollecting in Balance

Fridays 10:30am-11:30am on Zoom



Scan the QR code or click here to join Meeting ID: 880 3672 8988

The purpose of this group is to provide a safe, non-judgmental space where individuals who collect excessively can come together to share their experiences, learn coping strategies, and support one another in managing their habits. This group will create a sense of community and empowerment, helping members strike a healthy balance in their collecting behaviors.

Contact Gisell 978-687-4288 ext. 209





A safe space for those struggling with mental health issues to get creative and build support within the LGBTQIA+ community. (18+)

#### Nevins Memorial Library: Trustee's Room

305 Broadway, Methuen MA 01844

