



If you or Someone You Love is Suffering from Heroin or Other Opiate Drug Addiction, the Safe Passage Initiative May Be What You are Looking for!

Addiction is a disease not a crime. The Rock Island Police Department (RIPD) and the Rock Island County Sheriff's Office understand this to be true and have changed their handling of addicts to reflect that belief.

If it's time for you or someone you love to get help, the Safe Passages Initiative may be exactly what you are looking for!

The Safe Passages Initiative is a revolutionary new policing program aimed at getting people suffering from Opiate and/or Heroin addiction the help they need, instead of putting them in handcuffs.

The Safe Passage Initiative was created to help addicts who request help with their addiction to opiates such as Morphine, Heroin, Fentanyl, Oxycodone, Percocet® and Percodan®, and Hydrocodone as found in Vicodin® into recovery.

Any person who voluntarily enters a police department or the sheriff's office and asks for help with their addiction to opiates will be screened to be placed into appropriate

treatment. You can bring drugs or drug paraphernalia with you to any Illinois Rock Island police department including those located in Silvis, East Moline, Moline, Rock Island, Milan or the sheriff's office and officers will dispose of the drugs for you. **You will not be arrested. You will not be charge with a crime. You will not be jailed. You will be directed to treatment.**

If you need help or know someone who needs help into recovery from addiction, you need to come to or bring them to the Police Station and ask for it. Rock Island Police Officers are there to help you and your loved ones with steps towards recovery.

There is some paperwork that needs to be done, but you will be paired with a volunteer called a guide who will help you through the process. Safe Passage Guides are (in some cases) addicts that have been in recovery for over one year and understand what you are going through. In addition to helping with the paperwork, they handle your transportation to treatment facilities and help guide you through the process of getting the help you need in an expedited manner.

To ensure success, the RIPD has partnered with treatment centers within the Quad Cities region stretching as far as Dixon, Rockford and some Chicago suburbs so that you or your loved one receives the care and treatment they deserve – not in days or weeks, but immediately.

Exceptions that may make someone ineligible for the Safe Passages Initiative program include:

- Outstanding Arrest Warrants
- Three or more drug-related convictions
- Posing a danger to yourself or others
- Being under 18 without parent or guardian consent
- Medical condition that may require hospitalization

For more information or for assistance, call Lieutenant Daniel Knittle at 309.732.2707, RIHA Liaison Officer Michael Wood at 309.732.2738, or RIHA Resident Services Coordinators at 309.788.0825 ext 121 or 122.

Now is the time to get the help you need. Don't hesitate. Call NOW!

Community Crime Prevention Partnership Meetings

On the third Wednesday of every month, the Rock Island Police Department (RIPD) hosts a Community Crime Prevention Partnership Meeting. These educational meetings are intended to strengthen existing partnerships with the citizens of Rock Island so that the RIPD can

continue to look at ways to prevent crime and improve services to the community. All meetings begin at 6:00 PM and end at 7:00 PM. Meetings are held in the new Police Department Community Room located at 1212 5th Avenue Rock Island, IL. Everyone is invited and encouraged to

attend. For more information on monthly topics, call 309.732.2677 or RIHA Liaison Officer Michael Wood at 309.732.2738.

Cops Corner

Spring is on its way!

The days are finally beginning to grow longer and warmer and families are looking forward to getting out and enjoying themselves. As spring weather approaches, it's important to remember some basic safety rules. First, parents and guardians need to know where your children are playing and who they are with. Try to keep them

within your sight or within a distance that you can yell for them in case of an emergency. Some RIHA and CHS properties are fortunate to have playground equipment, but not all do. Ask your children to play either on the playground equipment provided or in a grassy area to prevent injuries. Make sure children are aware of their surroundings. If they are in the parking lot, remind them

not to play on or near vehicles. When vehicles are passing through the parking lot, ask your child to step back to the curb to avoid any accidents. Lastly, be sure children are not throwing rocks, sticks, or other items at each other, cars or the buildings. Following these tips will help everyone enjoy a safe, happy and fun summer!

Contributed by: RIHA Liaison Officer Michael Wood

Two Rivers POINT

The 1 & 2 BEDROOM waiting lists for Two Rivers Point project-based vouchers will open on **Monday, April 23, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.** Applications will be accepted in person or by mail at the Two Rivers Point Office, located at 3130 9th Street, Rock Island, Illinois, 61201. Office Hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call 309.788.3800 for more information.

CONTACT INFORMATION

RIHA Properties

Lincoln Homes: 309.788-0539 Maintenance: 309.788-3800

Spencer Towers: 309.788.1809 Maintenance: 309.788.1809

3rd & 11th Townhomes: 309.788.1809 Maintenance: 309.788.1809

Leasing Office:

227 - 21st Street, Rock Island, IL 61201

Phone: 309.788.0828 • Email: Housing@RIHA4rent.org
www.RIHA4Rent.org

CHS Properties

Cascade Garden: 309.283.2299 Maintenance: 309.283.2299

Douglas Park Place Maintenance: 309.283.2299

Lynden Lane: 309.283.2299 Maintenance: 309.283.2299

Leasing Office:

655 Cascade Garden Drive, Rock Island, IL 61201

Phone: 309.283.2299 • Email: housing@CHS4you.org
www.CHS4You.org

TDD/TTY Use Only: 1.800.545.1833 ext 355

Two Rivers Point: 309.788.3800 Maintenance: 309.788.3800

Two Rivers Point Leasing Office:

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