

From Start



To Strong



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Hope That Heals

From a warm greeting at the door to lifesaving intervention and steady support that rebuilds hope—this is the daily work of VOA Northern Rockies. Across Wyoming, Montana, and Western South Dakota, our teams move quickly at the first sign of need, stay for the long work of healing, and walk beside people as they progress from first contact to lasting strength.

10,397

Individuals sought
and received care



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281,000 Days of Service



In FY25, VOA Northern Rockies reached 10,397 people and delivered more than 281,000 days of service through programs that restore the whole person—mind, body, and spirit. Wherever we expanded our ability to serve, people completed treatment and stepped confidently toward independence; where systems shifted, our staff answered the call with compassion and excellence to make sure clients continued to receive the care they deserve.

We believe in meeting each person where they are and staying until they stand steady. We close gaps, extend a hand, and keep faith with every neighbor who reaches out. None of this transformation is possible without the compassion and generosity of supporters like you — together, we turn first moments of crisis into lasting stories of strength.

Imagine a young parent arriving at our door with a child at their hip, hands shaking with the fear of uncertainty. Or a veteran awake at 3 a.m., replaying a memory that won't loosen its grip. Or a teenager aging out of foster care, carrying a backpack and two years of bills with nowhere to go. The continuum of care at VOA Northern Rockies is built so people don't walk alone.

We don't only treat symptoms — we meet people where they are and link them across services. That might begin with an emergency call to a rapid response team, move into a short-term residential stay where safety and parenting supports are provided, continue into outpatient counseling and employment coaching, and settle into stable housing with ongoing supports that prevent return to crisis. Because of that holistic approach, people get more than a program; they get a path.

The results this year show what's possible when that path is followed. Outpatient mental health services grew — more people found counseling when they needed it. Residential treatment expanded, and treatment completion improved significantly (from 72% to 77% year over year) — a sign that more people stayed with care through the work that produces real, lasting change.



LOVE Transforms LIVES



Every day, our neighbors wake up facing impossible choices: where to sleep tonight, how to manage a spiraling mental health crisis, or how to break free from substance use without losing everything. VOA Northern Rockies meets them with a compassionate, flexible continuum of care that walks beside individuals and families through every step of recovery. From crisis stabilization at Serenity Place to residential treatment, outpatient mental health services, and transitional housing, VOA creates a seamless pathway so no one falls through the cracks.

This is work that transforms lives, but it cannot happen without you. Your gift keeps doors open, counselors on duty, beds available, and critical support tailored to each person's unique journey.

Please join us in making hope real. Your donation today sustains the continuum of care that turns crisis into recovery and instability into independence. Give now to VOA Northern Rockies — because every life touched, every family stabilized, and every step toward wellness matters.

A Path Toward Hope

When a person faces a mental health crisis or the despair of addiction, receiving immediate, compassionate care can change everything—and your support makes that lifeline possible. At VOA Northern Rockies, Serenity Place provides two 12-bed sub-acute crisis facilities where peer specialists, clinicians, case managers, and medical providers join to stabilize people, create individualized plans, and connect them to the care that restores dignity and hope.

Our residential programs—the Gathering Place and the Life House—offer women a safe, home-like environment with therapeutic and vocational supports that rebuild self-worth and readiness for life.



“VOA has been such a concrete partner to us that I can’t imagine doing this work without an organization like this. Innovative, future-looking, risk-taking, all those things that government struggles to do, VOA has it and has it in a big way. These kids deserve it. They absolutely deserve it.”

Wyoming Department of Family Services Director Korin Schmidt

And because young people need a bridge to lasting independence, the Evans Center for Independent Living (opened April 15, 2025) gives youth eight furnished apartments, life-skills training, mentorship, a food pantry, and office resources.

Across outpatient treatment, social detox in Cheyenne, Sheridan, and Riverton, and care coordination, we provide a true continuum so people can move from crisis to recovery to independence. None of this transformation happens without you—donor investments fund the beds and meals that provide immediate safety, the staff who sit beside someone in their darkest hour, and programs that teach budgeting and job skills.

Your gift multiplies outcomes: fewer readmissions, stronger families, and young people building futures. Please join us—invest in proven solutions that restore lives, strengthen communities, and turn crisis into lasting hope. Your generosity today becomes someone’s tomorrow.

Through It All: Katie's Journey

VOA Northern Rockies' continuum of care means walking beside clients at every turn, offering practical help and unwavering support when it matters most. Katie entered VOA after aging out of foster care—her dream of becoming a nurse feeling increasingly out of reach as she faced housing instability and a family ravaged by substance use.

VOA's Independent Living program gave her three months in a furnished apartment, life-skills coaching, and a steady environment to begin rebuilding. After leaving, she struggled to stay sober, ultimately losing college, her support network, and even sleeping in her car. For ten months she tried to manage alone until she hit a turning point and reached back out.



At The Gathering Place, intensive case management, counseling, and peer support helped Katie reclaim sobriety, find steady employment, and secure long-term housing. Today she lives in her own apartment, is engaged, and has maintained a stable job for nearly a year; she's paused college for now, but her nursing ambition endures.

We still check in weekly—small, steady connections that keep recovery on track. Katie's story illustrates how compassionate, sustained care can transform crisis into lasting stability and hope, and why VOA remains committed to being there for every step of the journey.



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The work we do every day is supported by your compassion for those looking to achieve a better life. Your gift today keeps warm beds available when a person collapses from exhaustion; it keeps counselors available when someone decides they can try again; it keeps case managers on the line who turn a temporary placement into a lasting home.

People come to us at their most vulnerable. With determination, compassion, and steady supports, they stand a chance to become strong. Will you help us carry more people from start to strong?