**Key Fact Sheet for Collegiate Recovery and the Importance of Funding**

*Collegiate Recovery Programs (CRPs) — A Critical Investment for the Future*

**What Are CRPs?**
Campus-based support programs for students in or seeking recovery from substance use disorders (SUDs), providing peer support, community, and recovery resources while fostering academic and personal success.

**Impact of CRPs:**

* Students in CRPs have higher GPAs, retention, and graduation rates than their peers.
* CRPs promote mental health, resilience, and workforce readiness.
* CRPs empower students to become leaders in the recovery community and beyond.

**Federal Priorities & CRPs:**

* The 2025 National Drug Control Strategy prioritizes expanding peer recovery services, building a recovery-ready workforce, and sustaining recovery pathways — goals directly supported by collegiate recovery initiatives.

**Why Funding Matters:**

* The Peer Support Technical Assistance Center funding that supports CARS (Center for Addiction Recovery Support), administered by SAMHSA, helps ARHE and partners provide technical assistance to build and sustain CRPs nationally.
* Without federal investment, many institutions would lack the resources to create or maintain recovery supports, leaving students vulnerable.

**What We’re Asking:**

* Protect federal funding for peer recovery support services in FY26.
* Recognize collegiate recovery as an essential component of the national recovery infrastructure.

**About ARHE:**
The Association of Recovery in Higher Education (ARHE) is the national voice for collegiate recovery, supporting over 180 programs and helping to lead research, policy, and advocacy efforts.