



Heroin Epidemic Relief Organization Family Support

The evidence is abundantly clear - HEROIN is affecting our community and our families.

It is common for families to suffer significant emotional trauma and stress while trying to help a loved one struggling with an addiction. The stress largely results from family members knowing little about this disease, its treatment, and the common difficulties they will face while helping a loved one recover.

It is for this reason, HERO and Lincolnway Christian Church is launching a Family Support Group.

Hero Family Support offers family members an opportunity to meet other people who share the same problem. Each meeting will offer support, understanding, encouragement, and hope to families who are struggling to help a family member addicted or recovering from an addiction to an opiate-based drug. Each session will begin with an educational session to help family members learn about the disease of addiction and helpful advice about ways they can help a family member to recover. The second part of the session will involve a discussion among the family members which will be led by a licensed counselor and group facilitators.

About HERO -- Heroin Epidemic Relief Organization

Our mission is to stop the growing heroin epidemic that has rapidly swept across the nation through our own programs, and by supporting strategic pieces of legislation, all while providing comfort and support to those who have lost a loved one to heroin or are currently helping a loved one who is struggling with this terrible disease.

HERO was founded by John Roberts and Brian Kirk after their two sons, Billy and Matt, were tragically taken from them while battling a heroin addiction. The Two Dads, as the local media took to calling them, set out to call attention to the heroin epidemic spreading throughout similarly affluent middle class communities, to connect with and build a support network of families who have lost children to heroin, and to work with families that currently have a family member addicted or recovering from an opiate addiction.

www.theherofoundation.org

The *First* Hero Family Support Group will be
Tuesday, January 8, @ 7 PM
(meeting the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays each month)
Child Care will be provided

To Register:

Call 815-485-3004 or visit www.lincolnway.org

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