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**The PRO-A Workforce Support Project - A note from our Executive Director**

It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to our Workforce Support Project. This project was awarded to Pennsylvania Recovery Organizations – Alliance (PRO-A), the statewide recovery community organization of Pennsylvania as a five-year, federal grant by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Treatment (SAMHSA).

With this federal award PRO-A is gearing up to assist persons in recovery and their families within communities in five regions that include Adams, Cumberland, Berks, Dauphin, Franklin, Juniata, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Luzerne, Northampton, Perry, Schuylkill and York counties. These resources are particularly vital right now as our communities have been impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Our project foundational pillars include the focus of recovery at the community level being about hope, purpose and connection. As you may be aware, persons in recovery are productive, civically engaged and valuable members of our communities. This project focuses on assisting participants get back on their feet and engage in activities to support themselves and their families while we will also be educating the business community about the value of hiring and retaining persons in recovery.

PRO-A will utilize face-to-face, telehealth, social media, and telephonic support to assist persons in recovery with employment and recovery efforts and to raise awareness about the value of recovering persons within the private sector. Efforts will include technical assistance and resource development for employers in order to expand capacity within private industry to hire and retain persons in recovery over the long term.

PRO-A has worked collaboratively since 1998 with government and non-governmental partners across Pennsylvania to strengthen recovery communities. The organizational mission is to mobilize, educate and advocate to eliminate the stigma and discrimination toward those affected by alcohol and other substance use conditions; to ensure hope, health and justice for individuals, families and those in recovery.

Thank you,

William Stauffer, LSW, CCS, CADC  
Executive Director

*For more information about PRO-A and to support our overarching mission to serve the Pennsylvania recovery community and to reduce stigma against addiction, please visit our website at [pro-a.org](http://pro-a.org) or contact us at [Proa.Asst@Pro-A.Org](mailto:Proa.Asst@Pro-A.Org).*

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