

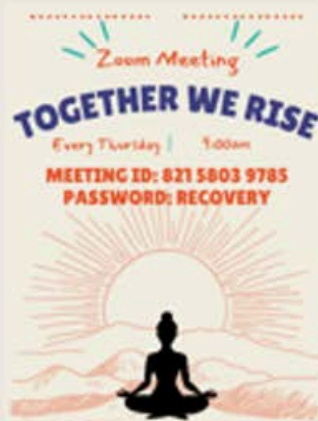


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JUNE 2026

WILLINGWAY ALUMNI PROGRAM

WEEKLY ALUMNI MEETINGS



OVERVIEW

Our Alumni Program keeps you connected and supported through our alumni app, monthly events, regular check-ins, and both virtual Zoom and in-person meetings—helping you stay engaged, build relationships, and continue growing.

ALUMNI GROUP RESOURCES

Monthly Alumni Events



Meet Your Alumni Coordinator!

Dakota Ulmen
Cell # 912-515-7103



Join our Alumni App!

May Alumni Event Recap!

Floating down the river! Just kidding, we definitely had to paddle down the river! 15 alums, staff members and family members came out to our recent alumni event!



Ways to Give Back!

If you're looking for a way to be of service, look no further!
We have just the program for you!

Become a Willingway Alumni Ambassador!

Are you a member of our alumni community with **1+ years of continuous sobriety** and actively working a recovery program? If so, we'd love for you to become a **Willingway Alumni Ambassador!**

This is a meaningful opportunity to give back, support others on their recovery journey, and represent Willingway in a positive light.



What is a Willingway Alumni Ambassador?

A **trusted leader** in our alumni community who:

- Serves as a contact for newer alumni returning home, helping them get connected to local recovery resources
- Stays engaged and supportive through our alumni network

What does a Willingway Alumni Ambassador do?

- **Engages regularly** on the Willingway App (AMBASSADOR will be added to your name)
- **Represents Willingway** in a positive light (through word of mouth, Google reviews, etc.)
- **Visits campus**, when possible, to share their story with current clients
- **Refers individuals** struggling with addiction to Willingway

What's in it for you?

- A **FREE Willingway Ambassador T-shirt!**
- A chance to **support and uplift** the alumni community (you have to give it away to keep it!)
- A way to **enhance your own recovery** through service and 12-Step work
- An **AMBASSADOR badge** next to your name on the app

Interested? Reach out to: *Dakota Ulmen, Alumni Coordinator*
Office: 912-489-7211 Cell: 912-515-7103



HR Highlights

Name: Jason Evans

Position: Physician Assistant

Start Date: 5/6/2015



How would you summarize what you do?

Try to help people through one of the roughest times in their life while taking care of their medical needs. I don't sugar coat things for my patients, I try to point out that although they have made bad decisions in their past, they don't have to be defined by those bad decisions.

Can you tell us a few details about your favorite part of your job?

Two of my favorite parts of the job here:

Seeing the lightbulb come on in someone. When they realize that there is a possibility that they can do life without drugs and alcohol.

Running into past patients in society and them saying what a difference Willingway made in their life.

What is the best advice you would give to someone just starting out Willingway?

Talk to people from all departments so that you will understand your part of the process in peoples recovery journey. This is not an easy job. We are dealing with people who are hurt, angry, upset, and broken. We need to understand that and know that our attitudes can either help or hinder that persons recovery journey.

What are the toughest challenges you've had at work?

Changes

What's your secret talent no one knows about?

If I Answered this question it would no longer be a secret

What do you like to do in your own time?

I love to cook, hiking, Kayaking, Camping anything outdoors.

Tell us something about you that we would not normally know?

Scuba Certified, Pilots license , Ham Radio Operator (Call sign KR4FUN), I was in Nursing school before I went to PA school.

June Birthdays:



- Andre T. (Counselor) 6/1
- Mark P. (Business Office Director) 6/2
- Lewis C. (OP Program Mgr.) 6/3
- Octavia F. (RN) 6/3
- Tina P. (BHA Lead) 6/8
- Carla T. (BHA Lead) 6/11
- Linda S. (Housekeeper Lead) 6/12
- Lashley R. (Therapist) 6/17
- Margaret E. (BHA Lead) 6/23
- Ruby R. (BHA) 6/25
- Nadaysha S. (BHA) 6/29
- Melissa B. (BHA- OP) 6/29

CEO Corner By David Gerber What's New at Willingway?

Willingway is where it is today by building on our rich sense of history and tradition spanning over 50 years. I've often said that part of my job is to try and preserve that history and tradition and bridge the gap to the needs of our population today.

So what is new?

- Well- the first thing is the bridging of that historical gap. Our new Medical Director Dr. Robert Bryan is back! After having left us in 2021, Dr. Robert is happily back at Willingway, and the immediate impact of his presence has been widely noticed by patients and staff.
- Willingway Facelift- New furniture, chairs, painting. A complete redesign of our Admissions area. New beds. Phase one of the Willingway facelift is complete and Phase 2 will be completed by this month.
- Family Services- Our offering of family services is back. A dedicated staff member is being utilized to improve family services and the patient experience.
- Revised Patient Schedule- Our new schedule is more robust and includes more evidenced-based programming than ever before.
- Telephones- Willingway now allows our patients to utilize our phones to make calls home weekly.
- Vaping- With more people vaping than smoking these days, we now allow (with some restrictions) our patients to have the option of vaping.
- And so much more and even more to come.

We take pride in who we've been for over 50 years, but it doesn't mean we at Willingway don't hear the requests of our patients and their families. We now can also be proud of all the things we are becoming.

David



Continuing Care Community Support Groups

Statesboro Group:

Contact: Catherine Tootle
Phone: 912-764-8283
Email: cmtootle@freedomthroughrecovery.org
When: Wednesdays at 3 PM
Where: Freedom Through Recovery
226 S. Zetterower Ave.
Statesboro, GA 30458
Zoom Meeting ID: 876-2398-5668
Password: 203757

St. Simons Group:

Contact: Joel Mills
Phone: 912-617-6385
Email: jvmssi@me.com
When: Saturdays at 6:30 PM
Where: The Club House
1501 Demere Road
St. Simons Island, GA 31522

Atlanta Group:

Contact: Candi Florence and
Jocelyn Wallace
Phone: Jocelyn 404-747-6482
Email: jocelyn@neveralonech.org
When: Thursdays at 3 PM
Where: Never Alone Clubhouse
8380 Grady St., Douglasville, GA 30134
Zoom Meeting ID: 868 1749 3228
Password: 834476

When: Thursdays at 7 PM
Where: Never Alone Clubhouse
8380 Grady St., Douglasville, GA 30134
Zoom Meeting ID: 827 6468 4073
Password: 832161

Augusta, GA Group:

Contact: Paula Wood
Phone: 706-664-9672
When: Saturdays at 10 AM
Where: Covenant Presbyterian Church
3131 Walton Way, Augusta, GA 30904
Zoom Meeting ID: 893 8465 3063
Password: 038521

Charleston Group:

Contact: Rhett Crull
Phone: 843-323-7111
Email: crull.rhett@gmail.com
When: Mondays at 6:30 PM
Where: Church of the Holy Spirit
299 Seven Farms Rd.
Daniel Island, SC 29492

Raleigh Group:

Contact: Charlie Wagner
Phone: 919-349-6269
Email: mail4youcw@gmail.com
When: Mondays 7:30 PM
Where: St John's Baptist Church
1615A Oberlin Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27608
Zoom Meeting ID: 885 4336 3501
Passcode: Willingway

Macon Group:

Contact: Tracy Miller
Phone: 478-960-4574
Email: tracytmiller58@gmail.com
When: Mondays at 6:30 PM
Where: Centenary Church
1290 College St., Macon, GA 31201
Zoom Meeting ID: 858 8774 8270
Passcode: Recovery

Jacksonville/Jacksonville Beach Group:

Contacts: John Roberts and Cathy Roberts
Phone: John 904-463-1246
Cathy 904-463-5200
Email: jtrinterventions@gmail.com
Cathy: cmroberts109@gmail.com
When: Mondays at 6 PM
Zoom meeting ID: 996 758 129
Password: 1234
When: Tuesdays at 6:00 PM
Where: Palms Presbyterian Church
3410 Third Street South
Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250
Education/Office Bldg. (north side of campus)
Room 202

For more information about continuing care, please contact alumni@willingway.com.



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