

**MEDIA ADVISORY**  
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**THE ASSOCIATION OF RECOVERY SCHOOLS AND MRC JOIN  
TENS OF THOUSANDS OF AMERICANS RALLYING IN  
90 COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE U.S.**

**St. Paul, MN** – Citizens in Minnesota will join over 100,000 Americans to speak out as part of **Rally for Recovery!** on Saturday September 25, 2010 for National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month.

From California to New York, people in recovery, their families, friends and allies will be rallying to put a face on recovery and calling for improved local, state and federal policies so that others can get the help they need. Over 20 million Americans are in long-term recovery from addiction, benefiting themselves, their families and communities.

There are two Rally for Recovery! Minnesota events at St. Paul's Como Park: A **Voices for Recovery** concert by No Excuses and **Kicking For Recovery** kickball tournament with live music.

**WHEN:** Saturday, September 25, 2010

**WHAT:** 1-3 p.m. **Voices For Recovery** featuring No Excuses performing original music AND 4-7 p.m. **Kicking For Recovery** kickball tournament, food, arts and live music featuring Covert Ops.

**WHERE:** 1-3 p.m. Black Bear Crossings on the Lake 1360 N. Lexington Pkwy. St. Paul, MN AND 4-7 p.m. East Picnic Grounds/Como Park Pavilion at Como Park 1199 Midway Pkwy. St. Paul, MN.

Faces and Voices' Rally for Recovery! and Recovery Month support long-term recovery from addiction to alcohol and other drugs; call on Congress to include recovery support in health reform; and celebrate the reality of recovery from addiction to alcohol and other drugs.

**The Association of Recovery Schools** advocates for the promotion, strengthening, and expansion of secondary and post-secondary programs designed for students and families committed to achieving success in both education and recovery.

[www.recoveryschools.org](http://www.recoveryschools.org)

**Minnesota Recovery Connection (MRC)** connects people seeking recovery to resources that help foster and sustain long-term recovery. MRC envisions a world where recovery from addiction to alcohol and other drugs is understood, promoted, embraced, and enjoyed and where all who seek it have access to the support and resources they need to achieve long-term recovery. <http://www.minnesotarecovery.org>

**National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month** serves to educate the public on substance abuse as a national health crisis; that addiction is a treatable disease, and that recovery is possible. Educating the public reduces the stigma associated with addiction and treatment. [www.recoverymonth.gov](http://www.recoverymonth.gov)