BOUNCE BACK 2 LIFE RECOVERY NETWORK

BB2L September 2026 ROSC Meeting

Call to Order by Araina Mickens

Date: September 23, 2026

Time: 9:30 am – 11:00 am

Location: Lights of Zion

11636 S. Halsted Chicago, IL 60628

MEETING AGENDA

Introduction of Attendees- Araina Mickens

Moderator- Araina Mickens

Why ROSC is important……Shaquita Harris

Introduction of the Speaker: Shaquita Harris

Speaker: Illinois Helpline – Aisha Esquival

Topic: **Finding Your Way: Recovery, Housing, & Help**

Questions & Answer

Announcements & Upcoming
Events Next ROSC Meeting
10/28/26 Location: Lights of Zion
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60628)

Meeting Summary:

The Bounce Back 2 Life ROSC meeting featured Aisha Esquival of the Illinois Helpline, who presented on *“Finding Your Way: Recovery, Housing, & Help.”* The discussion focused on the challenges individuals and families face when navigating recovery, accessing housing, and finding the support and resources needed to move forward.

Ms. Esquival shared her personal history and spoke candidly about the heartbreaking loss of her daughter at an early age due to addiction. By sharing her lived experience, she brought a personal and powerful perspective to the conversation, highlighting the devastating impact addiction can have on individuals, families, and communities. Her testimony created an opportunity for meaningful reflection and reinforced the importance of recovery support, compassion, and access to resources.

The audience was highly receptive to Ms. Esquival’s presentation. Attendees actively participated by sharing their own experiences, reflecting on lessons learned throughout their journeys, and discussing how they have grown through challenges and personal hardships. The open and supportive environment encouraged honest dialogue, connection, and mutual understanding among participants.

Overall, the meeting provided a meaningful opportunity for community members to learn from lived experiences, share their stories, and recognize the importance of support systems in recovery. The discussion reinforced the value of connecting individuals to recovery resources, housing assistance, and other essential services while fostering hope, resilience, and continued personal growth. The meeting also demonstrated the importance of creating safe spaces where individuals can share their experiences, learn from one another, and strengthen their commitment to recovery and well-being.

Bounce Back to Life Attendance Roster September 2026 ROSC Meeting

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Marcus Harvey		Education: Other
Desmond Barner		Education: Other
Jimmy Genisus, Sr.		Education: Other
Lamar Seay		Education: Other
Jalen Eubanks		Education: Other
Rahmal Graham		Education: Other
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Latisha Johnson		Education: Other
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Ja'Kevius Williams		Education: Other
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John Epps		Education: Other

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