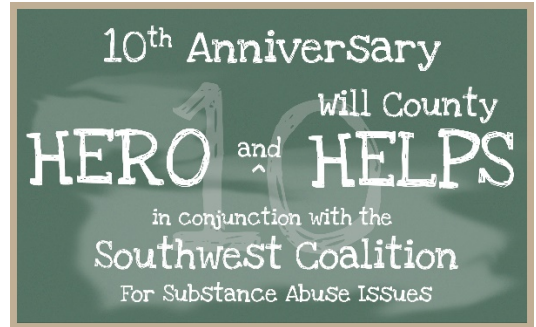


# BIG IDEAS FOR COMMUNITY COLLABORATION

Friday October 15, 2021

Romeoville Athletic and Events Center

55 Phelps Ave., Romeoville, IL



August 20, 2021

Dear Friend,

We understand that your life has been personally touched by the opioid epidemic and you have lost a friend or loved one. We would like to extend our condolences.

To celebrate the life of your loved one, you may wish to accept our invitation to share their photo and/or a short, written memorial at be displayed in the Memorial Tent at the 2021 Hero Helps Community Summit. You may provide a framed photo/memorial to be placed on the memorial table or submit an electronic photo/memorial for a digital presentation. The Memorial will be part of this year's summit entitled, Big Ideas for Community Collaboration. Items will be on display during the event to be held at the Romeoville Athletic and Events Center, 55 Phelps Avenue, Romeoville.

The event, sponsored by **HERO** (*Heroin Epidemic Relief Organization*), **Will County HELPS** (*Heroin Education Leads to Preventative Solutions*), and the **Southwest Coalition for Substance Abuse Issues**, will include presentations by Federal, State and local officials. There will be a Resource Expo comprised of 40 agencies that provide programs and services related to substance use disorder. The audience includes parents, family members, friends, educators, healthcare providers, counselors, social workers, treatment and prevention providers, community service organizations, police, judges, prosecutors, public officials, and the general public.

For more information about the event, please visit [www.herohelps.org](http://www.herohelps.org).

**Electronic Submission:** Please email your photo and/or written memorial via email to: John Roberts ([captainjir77@aol.com](mailto:captainjir77@aol.com)) by Friday October 8.

**Framed Photo Submission:** Please bring your photo and written memorial to Romeoville Athletic and Events Center between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm on Thursday, October 14 or Friday October 15 between 6:30 am and 7:00 am. Items can be picked up when the event ends at 11:30 a.m.

If you have any questions, please email [plauridsen@steppingstonetreatment.com](mailto:plauridsen@steppingstonetreatment.com).