

MHA Village Guiding Principles

WE BELIEVE...

- 1. Hope makes recovery possible; it facilitates healing of the mind, body and spirit.*
- 2. Welcoming people includes creating a culture of acceptance with easily accessible integrated supports and services.*
- 3. Focusing on the whole person includes their strengths and weakness, abilities and barriers, wounds and gifts.*
- 4. Each person creates their path and determines the pace of their recovery.*
- 5. The recovery process is a collaborative journey in support of individuals pursuing their life goals.*
- 6. Relationships are developed through mutual respect and reciprocity, including openness to genuine emotional connections.*
- 7. A solid foundation for recovery is built by helping people to honestly and responsibly deal with their mental illness, substance abuse and emotional difficulties.*
- 8. People thrive, grow and gain the courage to seek change in respectful environments that promote self responsibility.*
- 9. The practical work of recovery takes place in the community.*
- 10. Each person has the right to fair and just treatment in their community ensured through advocacy and social responsibility.*
- 11. Everyone deserves the opportunity to have a place to call home.*
- 12. Promoting natural supports, having fun and a sense of belonging enhances quality of life.*
- 13. Employment and education are powerful means to help people build lives beyond their illness.*
- 14. Program success is based on achieving quality of life and recovery outcomes.*