

2017 Community Hope Conference
Workshop and Speaker Details

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CONFERENCE

FRIDAY
APRIL 8am
7th to
4pm

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OF SWMO

Workshop Description

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

The Same Kind of Human

9:00 am- 10:00 am

Christine McDonald, survivor of human trafficking and author of the memoir *Cry Purple*, challenges the biases and assumptions we commonly hold about exploited and marginalized populations. Christine will share stories of her own life experiences, thought provoking commentary, and practical resources. She will help us see the humanity of those we often judge, and she will empower us to instead reach out with arms of love and a message of hope.

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~Keynote Speaker~

Christina McDonald

Internationally known Author and Speaker



Christine is an internationally recognized author and speaker on the social injustices facing marginalized populations today. As a survivor of human trafficking, homelessness, and addiction, Christine is on a mission to bring justice and awareness to the forefront of social change through legislative work, speaking, and compassion. She is a believer in Jesus Christ, director of www.christinesvision.org, and the Program Director of the Restoration House of Greater Kansas City. She resides in St. Louis area with her young son, Rickster.

“What every parent/teacher should know about their child’s safety on the internet. Threats and issues revealed.”

10:10 am – 11:30 am

In this session, we will discuss the following.

- The business of Sex Trafficking
- Sex and online threats as a business, recruitment and targeting of children
- History and evolution of the crime
- Why kids get involved
- New Threats, what do kids know that parents don't.
- How to protect ourselves and our children
- Additional information and reading.

John Motazed

CEO and founder of SNC Squared



John started the company in 1998 as an individual. Since that time, SNC Squared has flourished, growing to a staff of 17. Motazed is a leading expert in disaster recovery and has been recognized by Fox Business, NPR, PBS, CRN, FedEx and the Missouri Health Information Technology Assistance Center for his expertise and swift response during the May 2011 tornado that devastated Joplin, MO. He has been a guest speaker at multiple regional and national disaster recovery events. He is also a leading force in helping businesses in the Joplin Metro area develop their own disaster recovery plans. In fact, he has a best-selling book on the topic of disaster recovery titled, “The Tech Multiplier.” More recently, he has co-authored another best-seller, “Under Attack”, which discusses cybersecurity and the

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	<p>precautions you can take to protect yourself. Both of his books are available for purchase on Amazon.com. Motazedhi was named a recipient of 14 for 14 from the Joplin Metro Magazine, chronicling 14 individuals who helped define the Four-State area in 2014. He was also the 2012 winner of the Technology Marketing Toolkit, which awards the best IT company in the US, UK, Canada and Australia. SNC Squared was voted the number one company by Heartland Technology Group for efficiency, growth and best delivery of solutions to the end users. They were also awarded the highly coveted Hands that Give, No One Left Behind Award for reaching out and assisting others in need during a disaster. Just this year, Motazedhi was named one of the top 50 Missourians to know by Ingram's Business Magazine. And more recently, he was nominated for the Joplin Regional Business Journal's 2016 class of Regional Men of Distinction, which recognizes outstanding members of the business community. SNC Squared was named Small Business of the Year in 2013 by the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce and was one of the top finalists in 2012. They were accepted in the 2012 and 2013 Edition of Inc. 500 5000 Magazine for being one of the fastest growing companies in the nation. SNC Squared was ranked at number 33 for the annual list of the top 500 fastest-growing Ingram Micro U.S. channel partners in 2013.</p>
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The Marijuana Climate in Colorado: From Prevention to Treatment 10:10 am -11:30 am

The U.S. has a serious substance misuse problem and is facing an unprecedented opioid epidemic. 48% of Colorado high school students view regular marijuana use as risky. This workshop will take a look inside the marijuana statistics involving use, perception of harm and DUI's among youth and families in Colorado, beginning with the prevention efforts that are underway, to what treatment numbers look like and the multiple recovery pathways. A brief review of the Monitoring of Health Concerns Related to Marijuana in Colorado: 2016 Report will be given, in addition to discussing the retail industry and grey market. The presentation will also highlight the different forms of marijuana and where those marijuana tax dollars are headed.

Chelsey Hall


Colorado Youth and Family Bridge's Project Coordinator for the Colorado Department of Human Services, Office of Behavioral Health



Chelsey Hall, MPH, is the Colorado Youth and Family Bridge's Project Coordinator for the Colorado Department of Human Services, Office of Behavioral Health. Ms. Hall received her undergraduate degree in Biochemistry from Missouri Southern State University and Masters of Public Health from Missouri State University in Springfield, MO. After graduation, Ms. Hall worked in the area of substance use and domestic violence prevention, coordinating the State Emergency Response Grant after the 2011 Joplin tornado. Shortly after, she was hired by The Alliance of Southwest Missouri as the Director of Community Involvement and oversaw coalition

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	development and a community mentoring grant for youth involved in the Division of Youth Services. Ms. Hall moved to Colorado in 2014 and continues to have a passion for youth substance use prevention, treatment and recovery.
<p>A Stacked Deck: Identifying Generational Patterns 10:10 am -11:30 am</p> <p>What if we were born with a deck of cards that was stacked with things that might cause our life to be a little more difficult? In this workshop we will discuss generational patterns and how to help the people we serve identify what is being passed through their family tree and how to stop them from being passed to future generations.</p>	<p>Jen Black Executive Director – The Alliance of SWMO</p>  <p>Jen Black is the Executive Director of The Alliance of Southwest Missouri. Prior to working at The Alliance, she founded and served as the Executive Director of House of Hope Joplin, a counseling center for teens and their families. Jen was named one of the 15 Most Influential Women of 2010 by the Joplin Regional Business Journal. And, one of her most recognized endeavors was leading the post tornado back-to-school event I Am Joplin.</p>
<p>My Life Simulation: Identifying Points of Intervention and Prevention 1:15 pm -2:30 pm</p> <p>Follow Sophie from adolescence to adulthood and see how each of her choices or the choices of people who are close to her effect who she becomes as an adult. At the same time we will discuss and identify when and how, as professionals in the helping industry, we can intervene and prevent some of Sophie's outcomes.</p>	<p>Simulation Facilitators Jen Black, Executive Director The Alliance of SWMO Teddy Steen, Director Ascent Recovery & Circles Mark McDonald, Program Director Ascent Recovery Kelly Sales, Juvenile Justice Center</p>