



Dear Community Partner,

Great things are happening as the Peer Recovery and Wellness movement grows throughout our country. More people with lived experience of mental health challenges are living healthier lives, rich with the details of life that provide gratification and happiness. More and more effective programs are being developed that offer people with lived experience the tools that can help them live intentional, productive lives, our best lives!

With that in mind, PeerFest was created in 2016 by peers for peers with funding and support from the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health. The PeerFest planning committee was comprised of 100% mental health consumers/peers who held a vision of creating a relaxing space and time where we all could be inspired, supported, educated, and encouraged to strive toward wellness and living our best lives. PeerFest 2016 was a great success, with 330+ attendees over a four-day event. By their own report, many people's lives were changed forever as hope, support, recovery, and wellness became fully integrated into their lives.

While PeerFest 2020 was being planned, the Covid crisis made it impossible to occur. The good news is that PeerFest is on track for an April 2024 re-launch. PeerFest 2024 will be an educational and celebratory event for Texans who have faced mental health challenges and are on a journey to wellness. The PeerFest planning committee is once again comprised of people who have a shared experience of mental health challenges. While PeerFest is partially funded by the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health, we are seeking additional funding from sponsors and allies to ensure that Texans from across the state are able to take advantage of this fabulous opportunity to attend PeerFest 2024.

All donations and sponsorships will support scholarships for registration, hotel costs, and transportation assistance, as well as event venue costs, meals, supplies, speakers' fees and more. Your contribution is tax deductible. Your graciously anticipated support will open doors in the lives of Texans, doors that lead to hope, knowledge, inspiration, connection, and opportunity.

Go to [peerfest.org](http://peerfest.org) for more information. Registration information will be announced on the PeerFest website.

PeerFest 2024  
Great Wolf Lodge  
Grapevine, TX  
April 15-18, 2024

If you have any questions, please contact us at [peerfest.info@gmail.com](mailto:peerfest.info@gmail.com).

Thank you,  
PeerFest 2024 Planning Committee

