

SOAR WORKS

SAMHSA SOAR TA CENTER'S

— IMPACT —

Through the dedicated work of the SAMHSA SOAR TA Center, state and local SOAR Leaders, and SOAR-trained case workers, the SOAR model has assisted over **105,013 people*** who were experiencing or at risk of homelessness to apply for SSI/SSDI benefits, enabling these individuals to obtain stable housing, receive mental health and substance abuse treatment, and pursue their vocational goals. Among these individuals, **65,372 people*** are receiving benefits because of SOAR.

**SAMHSA SOAR TA Center Impact since its inception in 9/2009 to 01/2024 and SOAR outcomes collected as of 6/30/2023.*



SOAR Collaborates With Communities to Develop Customized Technical Assistance Events

SAMHSA SOAR TA Center staff deliver technical assistance in collaboration with local key community partners, using a grassroots approach that **empowers each locality to identify its needs** and receive individualized assistance to work towards its identified goals

615

On-site TA events

18,450

On-site TA participants



422

Virtual TA events

54,865

Virtual TA participants



SOAR Develops Local Leaders Through the Leadership Academy Model

46

SOAR Leadership Academies

1,226

SOAR Local Leads



SOAR Works With Local Communities to Develop Funding and Sustainability Plans for Long-Term Success

322

Full-time SOAR-dedicated positions

125

Part-time SOAR-dedicated positions

250

SOAR-trained peer support workers are registered in the Online Application Tracking (OAT)



SOAR Enhances Recovery by Scaling Federal Resources to Enhance Communities

Through its national reach and extensive network of partnerships, the SAMHSA SOAR TA Center is able to scale federal resources to fit the needs of community members. The SAMHSA SOAR TA Center tracks its impact at the local level to demonstrate the efficacy of its model.

The SOAR Online Courses Provide Standardized Training Enhanced by Individualized Feedback

17,745

Between 2014 and June 2023, more than **17,745** trainees have successfully completed either the Adult or Child Curriculum of the SOAR Online Course

28,394

Experts from the SAMHSA SOAR TA Center have completed over **28,394** practice case reviews



1:1

Each trainee in the SOAR Online Course receives comprehensive, individualized feedback from an expert in the SOAR model

54,343

The SAMHSA SOAR TA Center shares SOAR-related news, events, and resources with over 54,343 individuals via the SOAR mailing list

OAT

The SOAR Online Application Tracking Tool Tracks National Outcomes to Demonstrate Local Impact

62,477

SOAR-assisted SSI/SSDI applications reported in OAT

46,987

SOAR-assisted SSI/SSDI applications reported in OAT, with decisions

4,061

users registered in OAT

2,848

agencies registered in OAT

A peer-reviewed evaluation using OAT data found that disability applications that used the SOAR model had a higher likelihood of approval than applications that did not.

Kauff, J. F., Clary, E., Lupfer, K. S., & Fischer, P. J. (2016). An evaluation of soar: Implementation and outcomes of an effort to improve access to SSI and SSDI. *Psychiatric Services*, 67(10), 1098–1102. <https://doi.org/10.1176/appi.ps.201500247>

The SAMHSA SOAR TA Center Collaborates with Federal and National Partners to End Homelessness



- Child Welfare League of America
- All Rise, formerly the National Association of Drug Court Professionals
- Housing First Partners Conference
- National Coalition for Homeless Veterans
- National Alliance to End Homelessness (NAEH)
- SAMHSA's Homeless and Housing Resource Center

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