

# SOBERING ALTERNATIVE FOR RECOVERY (SAFR) CENTER FAQs



## WHAT IS THE SAFR CENTER AND WHAT IS ITS PURPOSE?

The Pima County Sobering Alternative for Recovery (SAFR) Center provides 24/7, short-term stabilization for adults experiencing substance use disorder. The SAFR Center is operated by Community Bridges, Inc. (CBI), with funding approved by the Pima County Board of Supervisors using opioid settlement funds.

## WHO CAN RECEIVE SERVICES AND HOW DO PEOPLE ACCESS THE SAFR CENTER?

The SAFR Center serves adults 18 years and older, regardless of insurance status, gender, or citizenship. Services can be accessed through:

- Walk-ins
- Law enforcement and first-responder drop-offs as a therapeutic deflection option, helping reduce unnecessary emergency department use and incarceration

If someone requires a higher level of medical or psychiatric care, staff assist with referral to the appropriate setting.

## WHERE IS THE CENTER LOCATED? WHAT ARE THE HOURS AND CONTACT INFO?

The SAFR Center is open **24 hours a day, 7 days a week.**

- **Location:** 250 South Toole Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85701
- **Phone:** (623) 866-3921
- **Website:** [communitybridgesinc.org/safrcenter/](https://communitybridgesinc.org/safrcenter/)

## WHAT DO “LOW-BARRIER” AND “NO WRONG DOOR” MEAN?

The SAFR Center is designed to reduce barriers to care. Using trauma-informed care and peer support, staff focus on meeting individuals where they are, stabilizing them safely, and connecting them to the most appropriate next step, rather than excluding them from services.

## WHAT SERVICES DOES THE SAFR CENTER PROVIDE?

The SAFR Center provides comprehensive stabilization services that go beyond traditional sobering or crisis response, including:

- Up to a 96-hour stay in a medically supported setting
- Individual beds in a safe, monitored environment
- Screening and assessment using ASAM criteria
- Withdrawal management and crisis stabilization
- Medication-assisted treatment (MAT) for opioid use disorder
- Peer support services
- Meals, showers, and hygiene supplies
- Secure storage for personal belongings
- Pet accommodations, when appropriate
- Transportation assistance and connections to ongoing treatment and recovery services
- Naloxone distribution upon discharge or request



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