

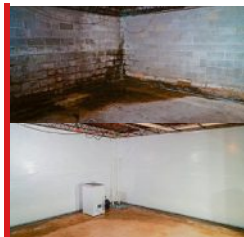
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### GOP prospects get boost while middle is weakened

Susan Page  
USA TODAY

The redistricting wars are raging. What happens next?

History provides little guidance, because never before has there been a cross-country campaign to redraw congressional districts at mid-decade and

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## Deaconess and IU launch accredited psychiatry residency for 2027

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Indiana University School of Medicine-Evansville, in clinical sponsorship with Deaconess Hospital, has received formal accreditation for its new psychiatry residency program.

The program aims to address the shortage of mental health professionals in Southwestern Indiana by offering rigorous clinical training, according to a community announcement.

Residents will gain experience in diverse psychiatric settings through the combined resources of IU School of Medicine and Deaconess Hospital. The program also features an academic part-

nership with the Mary O'Daniel Stone and Bill Stone Center for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, providing opportunities for evidence-based research and training.

"There is a critical shortage of psychiatrists nationally, and community members cannot access desperately needed care," said Dr. Julianne Giust, program director. "Through this partnership, we will train the next generation of psychiatrists right here in Evansville, ensuring long-term access to critical mental health services for our neighbors."

David Goodrich, MS, MBA, system vice president of academic affairs at Deaconess, highlighted the importance

of local training. "Physicians are significantly more likely to practice close to where they complete their training, allowing our best and brightest residents the ability to build their careers and their lives within our community," he said.

The residency program is finalizing its curriculum and faculty recruitment and is scheduled to welcome its first cohort of residents in July 2027.

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## Horse farm helps people on the path to sobriety

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By the time Kendra arrived at Spy Coast Farm, she only saw three options ahead of her.

She could learn to muck stalls and groom horses.

She could go back to prison.

Or, she could die.

Nearly two decades of substance abuse and addiction had propelled the 45-year-old woman into a dangerous cycle of crime and a social culture where the "drugs never ran out." As a last-ditch effort to save her life, she left everyone and everything she knew in the mountainous west, and enrolled in a new workforce development program through Stable Recovery at Spy Coast Farm near Lexington in November.

"It was either going to be life in prison or a body bag," said Kendra. "Failure's not an option for me. It's that serious in my situation that I get sober and I stay and I remain sober."

Because Stable Recovery accommodates women with human trafficking, domestic violence and other traumas in their past, the agency requested only first names be used for those in the program.

Stable Recovery launched a workforce development program in late 2022 in partnership with Taylor Made Farm in Lexington for men in addiction recovery. The program took a three-prong approach that combines peer-drive therapeutic community and clinical services with career training. Those three pillars are statistically proven to improve someone's chances in succeeding with long-term recovery, Blake Hobson, the executive director of Stable Recovery, said.

Through Stable Recovery, 100 graduates have started careers in the horse industry. It saw so much success that in late 2025, the organization built a similar program at Spy Coast Farm for women. The program currently serves six women, with a capacity for up to 11.

This spring, Kendra became one of the first graduates. A feat she says might have seemed impossible not too long ago.

Throughout much of her adult life, Kendra was known to drink a liter of vodka a day and used methamphetamine and fentanyl. Until moving to Kentucky, she was a habitual offender, who spent more than a dozen years behind bars. Her rap sheet includes police standoffs, stolen vehicles, selling drugs, gun offenses and explosives, among other offenses.

Her withdrawals during incarceration were brutal, she once flatlined in custody and landed in an intensive care unit. At one point, she unplugged herself from the medical monitors and bolted from her hospital room. Local police officer found her seizing from withdrawals on the side of a highway a

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