

MICHIGAN'S ASSOCIATION OF RECOVERY RESIDENCES

ACCOMPLISHMENTS SINCE 2014



Kevin O'Hare

Founder

Most recently known for his commitment to Recovery Housing, founding the Michigan Association of Recovery Residences, (MARR) in 2008, and co-founding the National Alliance for Recovery Residences, (NARR) in 2010. He volunteered as a member of the Transformational Steering Committee for the office of OROSC for the Michigan Department of Community Health where he received the "Giving Back" Award in September 2012. He also served on the Behavioral Health Advisory Council from 2012-2018. He was committed to getting funding and assuring there were standards in place for Recovery Residences to provide supportive services to those in early recovery. Kevin was also the founder of Touchstone Recovery, now known as Ty's House, which will continue to help men in early recovery for years to come. Kevin was a happy, fun-loving soul who had a great passion for "Changing the world one life at a time."



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MARR Timeline

2008-2013



2008: MARR was Founded.
2010: NARR was Founded.
2011: NARR Recognized MARR as a State Affiliate.

2014-2017



2014: West MARR was created. MARR focuses on building a network of RR and developing a relationship with MDHHS. First Site Review was completed. MARR has 174 Certified beds.
2017: West MARR changed to MARR to include the whole state as one. MARR has 379 Certified Beds.

2018-2020



2018: NARR Standards go National. MARR Officially receives funding. MARR has an official office space.
2019: Brand new process for accepting documentation was created. Website and Facebook are created. MARR has 765 Certified Beds.
2020: MARR works with Certemy to create online certification platform. MARR has 1,609 Certified Beds.

2021-2022



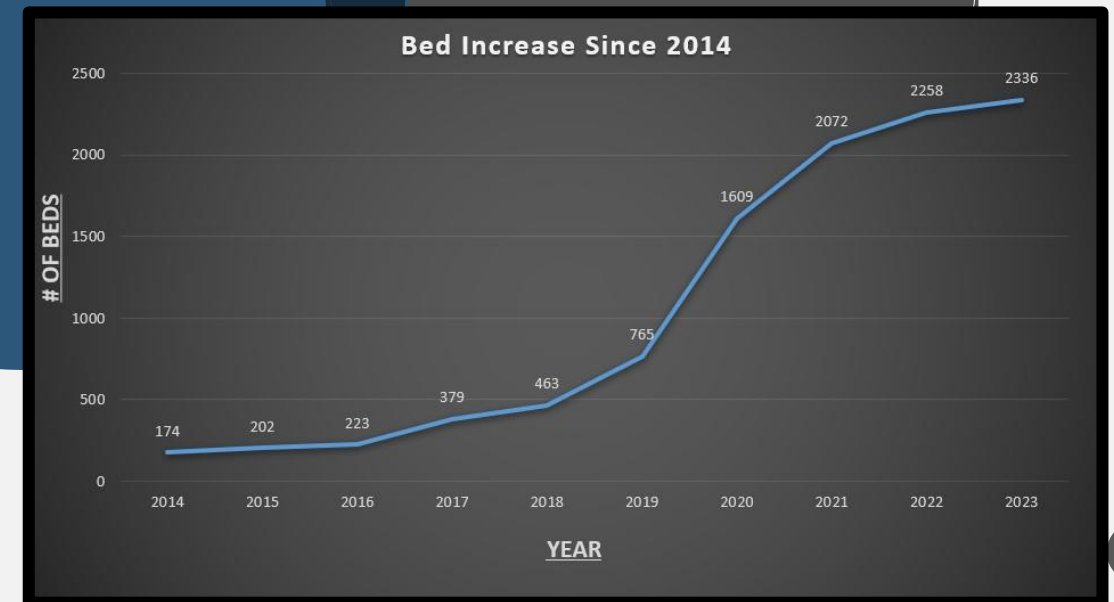
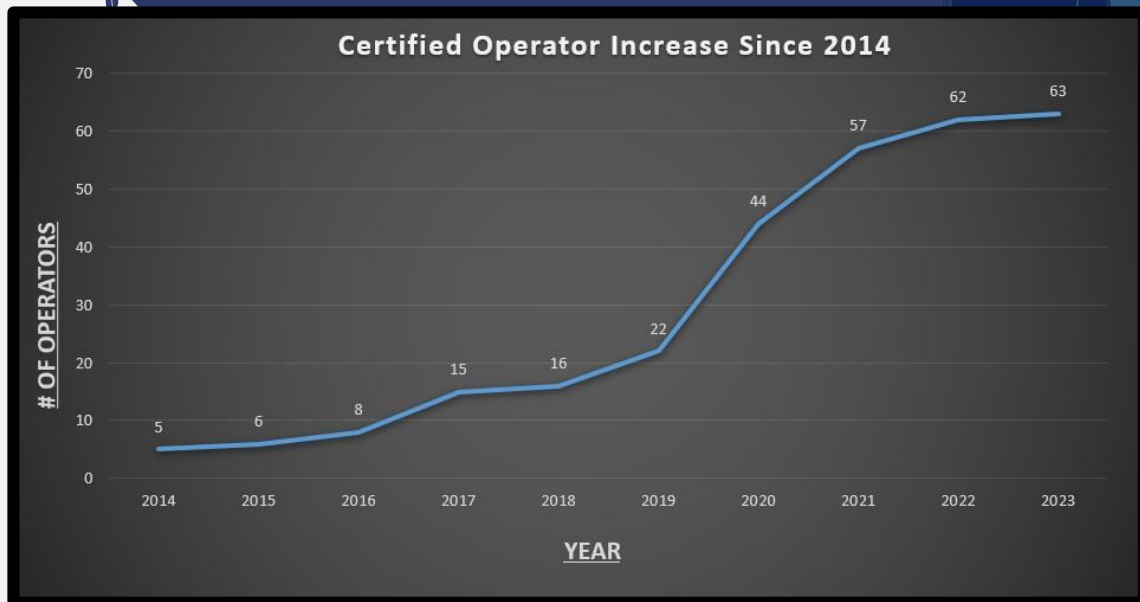
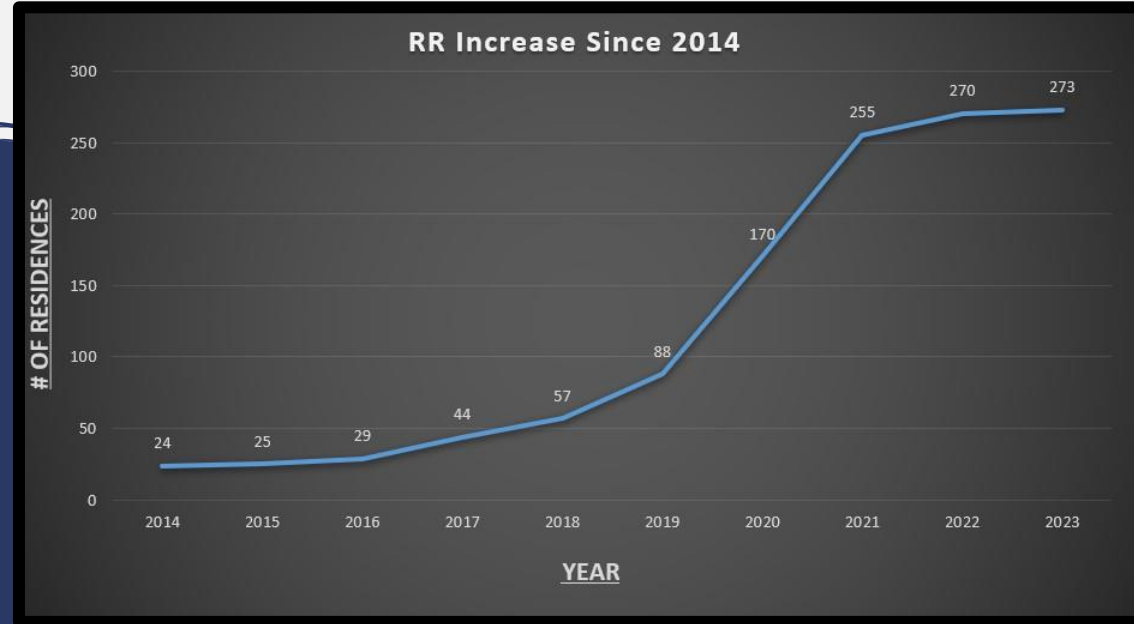
2021: MARR has 2,072 Certified Beds.
2022: MARR/NARR Training Modules created and utilized. MARR Creates YouTube Channel. MARR has 2,258 Certified Beds.

2023

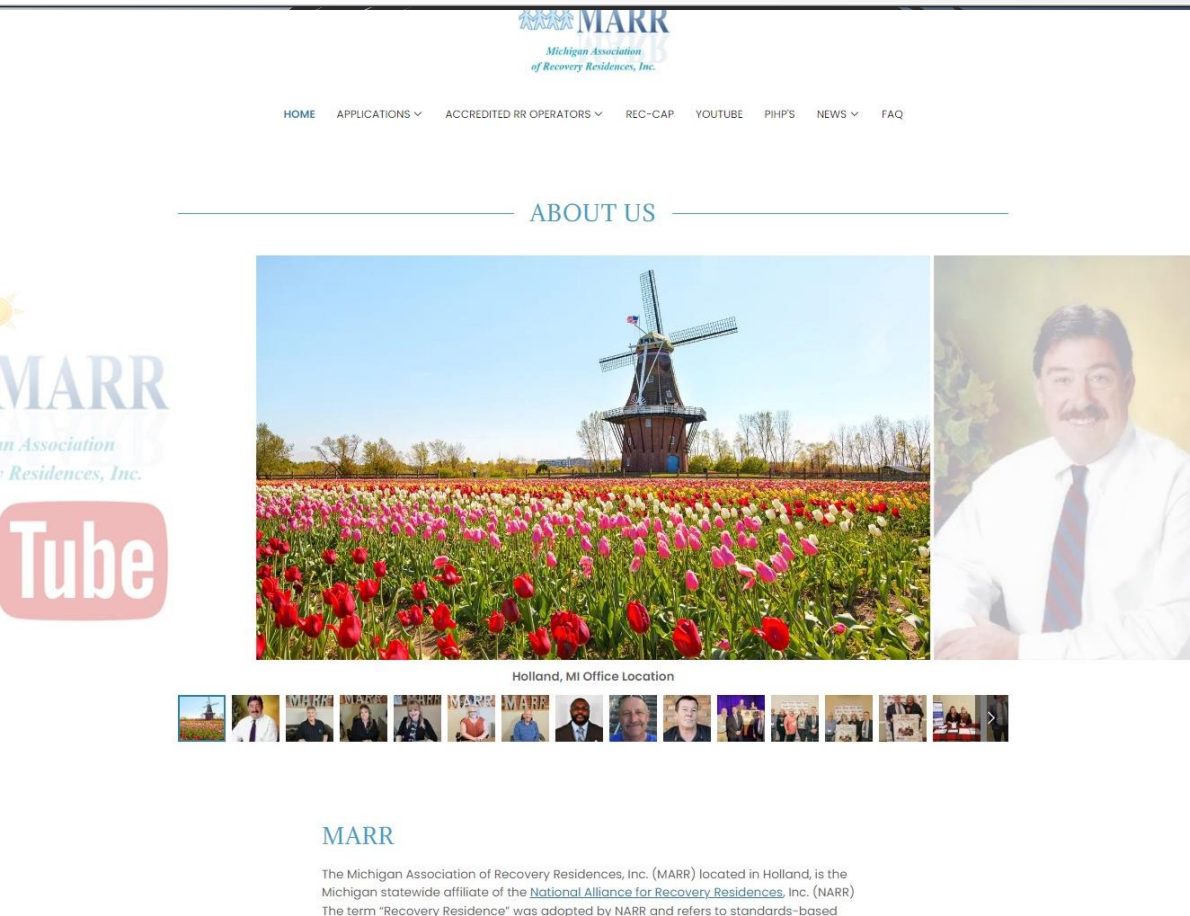


2023: REC-CAP Assessment tool is created and utilized. MARR provides first Certified RCO Certification. MARR hosts National NARR Conference in Michigan. MARR has 2,336 Certified Beds and counting.

Increases in RR, Operators & Beds Since 2014



MARR Website & Social Media



- Developed and maintained MARR Website containing regular updates, a directory of all MARR certified RR; model state and local ordinances governing RR; together with numerous articles regarding recovery.
- Developed and maintained YouTube channel to provide helpful information and post recorded monthly operator meetings
- Developed and maintained Facebook page and Operator forum for Operators to share and engage with each other.

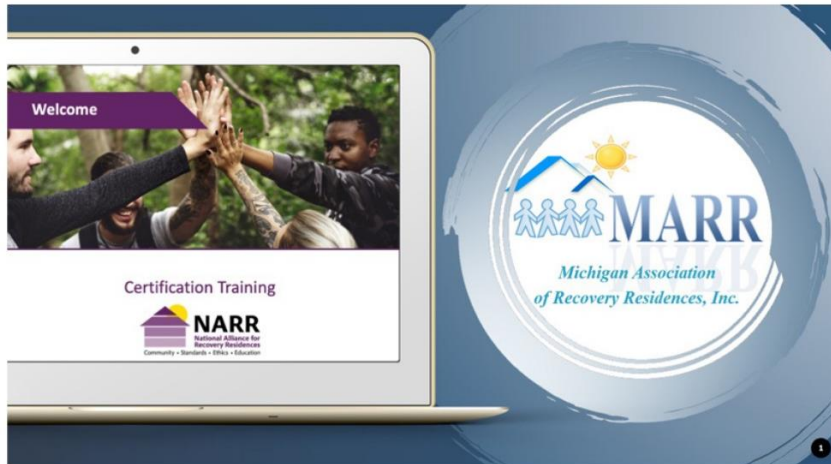
MARR/NARR Training Modules

Welcome to MARR-NARR Training

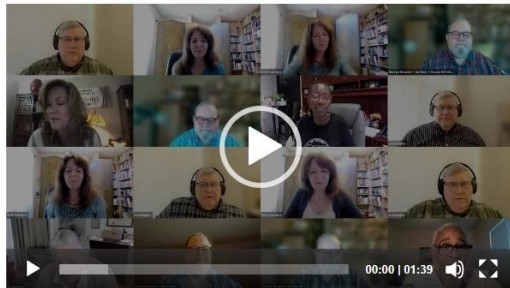
The fastest path to certification



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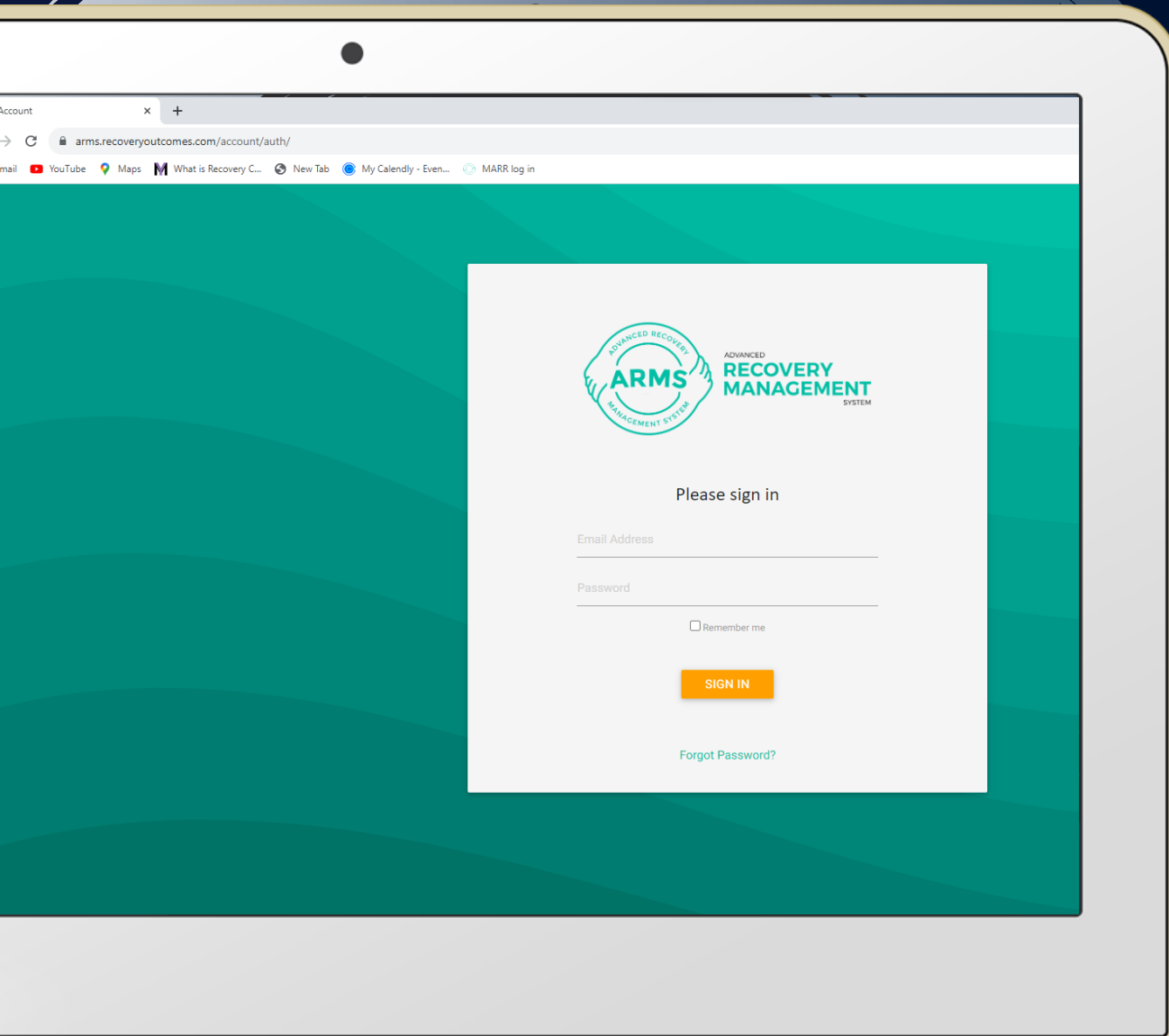


Newly Released in 2022!



- Developed NARR 20 module and MARR 4 Module, cloud-based interactive training discussing how recovery residence (RR) operators can practice the social model of recovery as embodied in the NARR Standards and Code of Ethics.
- Done in collaboration with NARR and featuring over 20 national and international experts.
- Completed in 2022 after one year of production.
- Trainings were provided for all MARR Certified RR Operators resulting in a fully trained cadre of RR Operators all free of charge.

REC-CAP Assessment



- Provided Rec-Cap, the Recovery Capital Assessment instrument, for all RR homes, free of charge.
- Onboarded and provided one-on-one help desk virtual meetings to over 60 MARR Certified RRs with over 1,200 beds free of charge.

LGBTQ+

Best Practices Guide

Best Practices Guide for LGBTQ+ Inclusion in Recovery Residences

Michigan Association of Recovery Residences

The Michigan Association of Recovery Residences (MARR) *Best Practices Guide for LGBTQ+ Inclusion* in the recovery residence (RR) setting was developed by a statewide committee including Michigan PIHP representatives, MARR Certified RR Operators, the Michigan office of ACLU, and MARR staff. (See note 1). This *Best Practices Guide* is intended to provide RR operators an explanation of their duties under recent changes to the law and to suggest "how-to" information in order to provide safe, sober environments and recovery supports for people in the LGBTQ+ community.

Please recognize that the *Best Practices Guide* is not legal advice. If you are concerned about any operator's or resident's legal matters or rights concerning this *Best Practices Guide*, please contact your own attorney. Further, any failure of a MARR Certified RR Operator to follow the *Best Practices Guide* principles may result in the termination of any RR provider contracts with a contracting PIHP. If you are concerned about the effect on your contractual relationship by reason of a failure or refusal to follow any of the *Best Practices Guide* principles, please contact your PIHP directly.

Evidence of need and health disparities related to substance misuse within the LGBTQ+ community.

Adults who identify as lesbian, gay, and bisexual are over twice as likely to have used illicit drugs in the past year, compared to heterosexual respondents. See: *Substance Use and SUD's in LGBTQ+ Populations* (<https://nida.nih.gov/research-topics/substance-use-suds-in-lgbtq-populations>). The study noted that prescription drug misuse for the LGBTQ+ population was approximately 10%, compared to only 5% of the heterosexual respondents.

In relation to the transgender community, data from the 2015 U.S. Transgender Survey noted that 29% of respondents used illicit drugs and/or nonmedical prescription drugs in the past month, which was nearly 3 times the rate of the general U.S. population. See: <https://www.ustranssurvey.org/reports>. Moreover, 70% of transgender people have reported experiencing some form of mistreatment in housing shelters and more than half (52%) of those who stayed at a shelter in the past year were verbally harassed, physically attacked, and/or sexually assaulted because of being transgender. (Supra.)

In March 2023, the Michigan legislature formally codified that "sexual orientation and gender identity" is a protected class under the antidiscrimination laws embedded within the Michigan legislation. See: *Elliott-Larson Civil Rights Act*. See: *MCLA 37.2101 et. seq.* This amendment added the explicit categories of sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression. So, without a doubt, transgender people of Michigan are

- Developed a Best Practices Guide to welcome the LGBTQ+ recovery community to RR and RCOs, with input from State PIHPs, MARR Certified Operators, the ACLU and MARR legal staff.

RCO/RCC Certifications



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RCO/RCC APPLICATION

Beginning the Accreditation Process

Thank you for your interest in becoming RCO/RCC Accredited. Please note ALL of the following information before beginning your application for accreditation;

- The Recovery Community Organization (RCO) Certification is separate and apart from Recovery Residences (RR) certification.
- Recovery Community Organizations (RCO) do NOT have a Brick & Mortar site
- Recovery Community Centers (RCC) DO have a Brick & Mortar site
- You must be prepared to submit a payment along with your application. (\$500 one time application and processing fee) Annual fee thereafter is \$300.
- You will be creating and monitoring an online profile through a website called Certemy.
- There is no need to have stand alone RCO responses to the checklist below when submitting documentation. Checklist items can be met on behalf of your parent recovery organization.

Once your Application is received and approved, a Welcome Letter will appear in your Certemy profile detailing your next steps regarding documentation and site review. To be more prepared for what is expected, the UARCO Checklist is available below.

By clicking the button below, you are stating that you meet and are prepared for all of the criteria on the left.

START APPLICATION

- Provided RCO Certifications for Recovery Community Organizations that meet the United Alliance for RCO Standards and Code of Ethics.
- MARR has certified 2 RCOs in the last 6 months since certification was made available, and 2 more are in the process.

Wayne State Surveys

- Provided monthly updates to Wayne State University listing all monthly trainings, certifications and quantitative details.



SAMHSA requires grantees to provide a monthly update on progress for the State Opioid Response Grant 3 (SOR 3).

This reporting tool asks about the activities you have implemented during the monthly reporting period related to MARR.

Only report on activities that occurred during the specified reporting period with **SOR 3** funding.

Name of individual completing this report.

Select the reporting period.

Complete the following table for each NARR & MARR training held during the current reporting period.

people who completed training

Recovery Residence Operators

Recovery Residence House Managers

Complete the following table for each recovery residence with whom you have had any level of

Additional Accomplishments

- Worked with NARR's Standards Review Board to provide guidance on various issues regarding RR operation, e.g., housing mothers with minor children.
- Assisted State Opioid Litigation Settlement Team on providing funding for the long-term lease/purchase of Recovery Residences in underserved areas.
- Provided testimony in both state agency and Federal Court venues supporting RRs mission and efficacy.



THANK YOU

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