



State of Rhode Island  
Office of the Secretary of State

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**Non-Profit Corporation  
Articles of Incorporation**

(Chapter 7-6-34 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended)

**ARTICLE I**

The name of the corporation is Families First Of Rhode Island Corporation

**ARTICLE II**

The period of its duration is  Perpetual

**ARTICLE III**

The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

FAMILIES FIRST OF RHODE ISLAND WILL BE A HUB WHERE FAMILY MEMBERS OF THOSE THAT HAVE SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS TO BE EDUCATED IN MANY AREAS SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS AND CRAFT (COMMUNITY REINFORCEMENT AND FAMILY TRAINING) WHICH IS A METHODOLOGY IN WHICH YOU LEAN COMMUNICATION SKILLS AND BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION. FAMILIES WILL BE EMPOWERED TO WORK THROUGH THIS DIFFICULT TIME. THIS IS A HUGELY IMPORTANT EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE THAT ALLOWS FOR MAINTAINING LOVING RELATIONSHIPS WITH LOVED ONES THAT ARE HAVING A DIFFICULT TIME IN LIFE DUE TO SUBSTANCE USE AND ALLOWS FOR AN ENVIRONMENT CONDUCIVE TO RECOVERY.

**ARTICLE IV**

Provisions, if any, not inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in these articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:

[PURPOSE SECTION:] THIS CORPORATION IS ORGANIZED EXCLUSIVELY FOR CHARITABLE, RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL, AND SCIENTIFIC PURPOSES, INCLUDING, FOR SUCH PURPOSES, THE MAKING OF DISTRIBUTIONS TO OTHER SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS THAT QUALIFY AS TAX-EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS UNDER THE FEDERAL TAX CODE.

NO PART OF THE NET EARNINGS OF THE CORPORATION SHALL INURE TO THE BENEFIT OF, OR BE DISTRIBUTABLE TO ITS MEMBERS, TRUSTEES, OFFICERS, OR OTHER PRIVATE PERSONS, BESIDES THE PAYMENT OF REASONABLE COMPENSATION

FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND TO MAKE PAYMENTS AND DISTRIBUTIONS IN FURTHERANCE OF THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN THESE ARTICLES. NO SUBSTANTIAL PART OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CORPORATION SHALL BE THE CARRYING ON OF PROPAGANDA, OR OTHERWISE ATTEMPTING TO INFLUENCE LEGISLATION, AND THE CORPORATION SHALL NOT PARTICIPATE IN, INTERVENE IN (INCLUDING THE PUBLISHING OR DISTRIBUTION OF STATEMENTS), OR CONTRIBUTE ORGANIZATION PROCEEDS TO ANY POLITICAL CAMPAIGN ON BEHALF OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO ANY CANDIDATE FOR PUBLIC OFFICE. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THESE ARTICLES, THE CORPORATION SHALL NOT CARRY ON ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES NOT PERMITTED TO BE CARRIED ON (A) BY A CORPORATION EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAX UNDER THE FEDERAL TAX CODE, OR (B) BY A CORPORATION WHOSE CONTRIBUTIONS TO WHICH ARE DEDUCTIBLE UNDER APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE FEDERAL TAX CODE. [DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS SECTION:] UPON THE DISSOLUTION OF THE CORPORATION, ASSETS SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED FOR ONE OR MORE EXEMPT PURPOSES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE FEDERAL TAX CODE, OR SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE TO THE FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT. ANY SUCH REMAINING ASSETS SHALL BE DISPOSED OF BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION IS THEN LOCATED, EXCLUSIVELY FOR SUCH PURPOSES OR TO SUCH ORGANIZATION(S), AS SAID COURT SHALL DETERMINE.

**ARTICLE V**

The street address (post office boxes are not acceptable) of the initial registered office of the corporation is:

No. and Street: 47 WOOD AVE SUITE 2  
 City or Town: BARRINGTON State: RI Zip: 02806

The name of its initial registered agent at such address is NORTHWEST REGISTERED AGENT LLC

**ARTICLE VI**

The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is 3 and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

Title	Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
DIRECTOR	TINA FRATUS	47 WOOD AVE SUITE 2 BARRINGTON, RI 02806 USA

DIRECTOR	LAURIE MACDOUGALL	47 WOOD AVE SUITE 2 BARRINGTON, RI 02806 USA
DIRECTOR	ERIN FRATUS	47 WOOD AVE SUITE 2 BARRINGTON, RI 02806 USA

### ARTICLE VII

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Title	Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
INCORPORATOR	TAYLOR NEWMAN	47 WOOD AVE SUITE 2 BARRINGTON, RI 02806 USA

### ARTICLE VIII

Date when corporate existence is to begin  
(not prior to, nor more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)

**Signed this 17 Day of June, 2024 at 3:17:41 PM by the incorporator(s).** *This electronic signature of the individual or individuals signing this instrument constitutes the affirmation or acknowledgement of the signatory, under penalties of perjury, that this instrument is that individual's act and deed or the act and deed of the corporation, and that the facts stated herein are true, as of the date of the electronic filing, in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 7-6.*

**Enter signature(s) below.**

TAYLOR NEWMAN OF NWRA  
47 WOOD AVE  
SUITE 2  
BARRINGTON, RI 02806

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Gregg M. Amore, *Secretary of State*

I, GREGG M. AMORE, Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island,  
hereby certify that this document, duly executed in accordance with the provisions  
of Title 7 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended, has been filed in this  
office on this day:

June 17, 2024 03:17 PM

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gregg M. Amore".

Gregg M. Amore  
*Secretary of State*

