



A pathway to success, friendship and careers for adults seeking mental health recovery.

PROGRAM UPDATE

Academy at Bradenton is currently offering services to Manatee County residents seeking mental health recovery.



The Academy at Bradenton offers opportunities for wellness, skill development, friendship and career placement for adults living with mental illness, replicating programs currently offered in Sarasota at the Academy at Glengary. Hands-on skill training includes culinary arts, customer service, hospitality, graphic design, office management, video production, maintenance, and much more.

Opening
February
2024

Temporary Location
1201 6th Ave. W., Suite 324
Bradenton, FL 34205
AcademySRQ.org/Bradenton
941-929-2800



Future Location
601 12th St. W.
Bradenton, FL 34205
AcademySRQ.org/Bradenton
941-929-2800



Program Update:

Following months of planning, we opened the Academy at Bradenton in the summer of 2022 on the third floor of Connect Central. Our temporary location is right across the street from our future, permanent home, which is currently undergoing a remodel.

The core aspect of our program is the Clubhouse model “work-ordered day” where members and staff work side by side in all Academy operations. We currently operate in Bradenton on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Meanwhile, on Mondays and Fridays, Manatee County members are transported to Academy at Glengary in Sarasota. We will gradually increase training onsite in Bradenton, leading up to the opening of our new facility in February, 2024.

We continue to actively enroll members and currently have 55 members. For information about enrollment, please call 941-921-9932.



Academy at Bradenton - 601 12th Street West, Bradenton, FL 34205

The Academy at Bradenton works closely with community partners.



"The Academy is the best at what you do and we are looking forward to partnering at your newest location. The Academy at Bradenton will be easily accessible for both our consumers and staff to ensure the highest number of people can participate and improve their lives through treatment at Centerstone and employment training at the Academy."

– **Melissa Larkin-Skinner**, CEO, Centerstone



"The Public Defenders Office of the 12th Judicial Circuit would like to offer our enthusiastic support for the creation of the Academy at Bradenton. Vocational services for adults living with mental illnesses are much needed in Manatee County."

We have worked in tandem with Comprehensive Treatment Court and the Academy to provide eligible clients with a pathway to reintegration into society. We are true believers in the Academy's 'Recovery through Work' approach."

– **Larry L. Eger**, Public Defender
12th Judicial Circuit



"We stand as a partner in your mission of creating a working community where adults can improve mental health through friendship, healthy lifestyles, skills development and careers. We are grateful to allow your members the opportunity to join our team as employees and implement the skills the Academy has instilled in them."

With the announcement of the Academy at Bradenton, we look forward to exploring new ways we can help support your mission and make Bradenton a better place to live and do business. We are grateful to have the opportunity to be part of a local solution in mental health."

– **Andrea Jackson**, Executive Director
Sunset Automotive Group



"We applaud the Academy at Glengary's efforts to expand services with the creation of the Academy at Bradenton. We have been fortunate to have a strong partnership with the Academy for more than five years and are eager to continue that partnership with you into Manatee County."

– **Colleen Thayer**, Executive Director
National Alliance on Mental Illness
Sarasota-Manatee



"With the creation of the Academy at Bradenton, we look forward to opening up employment opportunities for Academy members at our Bradenton dealerships. We are glad to be part of the solution in mental health."

– **Ellen Walther**
Gettel Automotive Management



"The Geckos Hospitality Group has initiated a successful employment partnership with the Academy at Glengary. We look forward to providing additional job opportunities in Manatee County to future Academy at Bradenton members."

– **Mike Quillen**, Co-Owner
Geckos Hospitality Group



"We share a common purpose with the Academy: to help people achieve their full potential through the dignity and power of work. We support the Academy's effort to expand services to Manatee County residents with the creation of the Academy at Bradenton. For the past six years, Goodwill Industries-Manasota, Inc., has been pleased to partner with Academy at Glengary at your Sarasota location. Now, we look forward to expanding our partnership with you into Manatee County."

– **Margie Genter**, VP of Mission Services,
Goodwill Industries – Manasota

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"Mental health is the cornerstone of our collective well-being, and we must recognize that our communities are only as strong as the individuals within them. Just as we invest in infrastructure and innovation, we must invest in emotional and psychological health. Mental health Clubhouses are a necessity, providing a safe haven where individuals can come together, support one another, and build the resilience needed to face life's challenges head-on. CFBHN cannot be more proud to support the efforts of the Academy at Glengary."

– **Alan Davidson**, CEO, Central Florida Behavioral Health Network



**Thank you Fawley Bryant Architecture for
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