



2026 Erik Cogswell Memorial Award

We are pleased to announce that the Robinson Family has been selected as the recipient of the 2026 Erik Cogswell Memorial Award.

The family was nominated by Chris Kozak, President & CEO of Community Partners NH, and Dr. Jodi Marshall, SMHC's Chief Medical Officer. Their nominations highlighted the Robinsons' efforts to normalize conversations about mental health following the loss of their son and brother, Eli, to suicide in April 2025.

Through their willingness to share their story, the Robinson Family has helped raise awareness, reduce stigma, and encourage others to seek support during difficult times. Their advocacy has created meaningful opportunities for dialogue and understanding throughout the community.

Earlier this year, the family established the Robinson Family Foundation to honor Eli's memory and continue his legacy. Through the Foundation, they have successfully organized a series of events, including the R-FF Weekend, raising funds and awareness for local mental health, peer support, and recovery organizations.

The Robinson Family's commitment to turning personal loss into hope, healing, and positive change exemplifies the spirit of the Erik Cogswell Memorial Award.

The Robinson Family will be honored at SMHC's Community Breakfast on November 5th at the Atlantic Grill in Rye. To register to attend, please visit [EventBrite](#) or email Kelly Hartnett at khartnett@smhc-nh.org.