Our goal is to establish a fun, lively, and supportive experience for students to enjoy themselves in an alcohol-free setting. The SoBear Lounge will offer a variety of mocktails, an assortment of appetizers, and a sweet selection of entertainment. Under 21? Sober? Sober-curious? You are welcome. You don’t have to leave campus to have a good time.

Studies show that 49% of full-time college students (aged 18-22) drink alcohol, and 28.9% had engaged in binge drinking in the past month. -National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism

**WHAT HAVE PEOPLE SAID?**

“I love [the SoBear Lounge], I’m of age to go to The Pub, but I don’t drink, so I like that there’s other activities to do. You don’t have to just sit in the bar and have a drink.” - Alison, a regular

“It’s one of my favorite events to work; I work in catering, and I’ve been at the last few events since they assigned us this specific job on thursdays.” - Shelby, a Chartwells employee

“I think that the SoBear Lounge is a good chance to get students together and do activities that take place outside of The Pub, and it’s a better way to get activities out there for some undergraduate students, as well as the older population.” - Zach, a regular

“I’ve only been to one SoBear Lounge before, but I really enjoyed that it was really relaxing, everything was all set up, it was a paint night, so all the paint was there, and it was a really enjoyable time.” - Akela, a newcomer!

“My favorite part is it gives a sense of community to those who are under the age of 21, it’s great to have events here on campus that give a sense of belonging to those students without the pressure of underage drinking on campus.” - Jaime, Student Care & Conduct Coordinator with ORCA!

**WHAT’S TO COME....**

In the future, we hope to develop merchandise!

We are currently working on:

- **Clothing** (shirts, hoodies, etc.)

- A SoBear Lounge Passport (collect stamps for every SoBear you attend, and each time your name is entered into a drawing to win a prize at the end of the semester!)

- Recipe Book and Cards for students to take, and create some mocktails at home!