



Vision: Our vision for Kalamazoo County is zero suicide.

Purpose: We are the agents of change who drive and monitor the Kalamazoo Suicide Prevention Plan across the county.

Prevention through connection

GOAL 1 Strengthen collaborative relationships among local, regional and State organizations around suicide prevention.

# Objective 1.1

The Suicide Prevention Action Network (SPAN) community committee will be reconvened for the development of the Kalamazoo County Plan for Suicide Pevention.

# Objective 1.2

Coordinate with other organizations and stakeholders throughout Kalamazoo County, region and State that have an interest in the prevention of suicide.

# Objective 1.3

Engage individuals with lived experience in suicide prevention planning.

## Objective 1.4

A fiduciary of the SPAN committee will be identified.

### Objective 1.5

Disseminate and promote the Kalamazoo County Suicide Prevention Plan.

# Objective 1.6

Assist with advocacy and policy development around suicide prevention.

preventable public health problem.

# Objective 2.1

Adopt a tag line/message about suicide as a public health problem.

#### Objective 2.2Determine distribution

methods Objective 2.3 Distribute message.

# Objective 2.4

Engage media to increase public awareness and quide perception.

### GOAL 3

Identifyevidencebased suicide education/prevention programs and increase communityaccess to these services.

# Objective 3.1

Continuously monitor County data to determine at-risk populations.

# Objective 3.2

Advocate for the Recommend and adoption of policies and support community processes that support suicide prevention suicide prevention with strategies. community organizations

# Objective 4.2

Objective 4.1

Provide consultation and make recommendations around process development for the prevention of suicide.

in Kalamazoo County.

GOAL 4

Improve community

education for recognition of and

response to individuals

at an elevated risk

for suicide.

## Objective 4.3

Promote general suicide prevention education.

#### GOAL 5 Identify and expand access to evidence-based or best-practice clinical interventions for healthcare

providers.

# Objective 5.1

Promote Zero Suicideas a community goal by health care, community mental health providers and other support agencies.

# Objective 5.2

Promote communication Kalamazoo Community and collaboration between multi-disciplinary Michigan DHHS. providers throughout Kalamazoo County.

#### Objective 6.1 SPAN will coordinate

with the medical examiner to gather county suicide data in collaboration with Health Services and

## Objective 6.2

SPAN will convene a suicide death review team (SDRT) to collect and review suicide deaths.

### Objective 6.3

SDRT will support and advocate for root-cause analysis and process improvement for impacted community organizations.

## Objective 6.4

Adopt and implement guidelines for responding effectively to suicide clusters and contagion through training, education and consultation.

## Objective 7.1

Promote educational initiatives around limiting access to lethal means.

# Objective 7.2

Make recommendations to community partners around limiting access to lethal means.

GOAL8 Promote care and support for individuals impacted by suicide deaths and attempts.

# Objective 8.1

Identify community resources and unmet needs.

# Objective 8.2

Advocate for expanded services.

#### Objective 8.3Promote resources.

# Objective 8.4

Promote services for health care providers. first responders, and others with care and support when an individual under their care dies by suicide.