

**KINGS AND TULARE COUNTIES
SUICIDE PREVENTION TASK FORCE
STRATEGIC PLAN 2015**

Envisioning a community without suicide

The mission of the Suicide Prevention Task Force is to foster the hope of a suicide-free Kings and Tulare Counties through education, empowerment and innovation.

Our strategic priorities are to:

1. Implement and coordinate suicide prevention and intervention programs and services for targeted high-risk populations;
2. Implement a community education and information campaign to increase public awareness of suicide and suicide prevention;
3. Implement policy and governance advocacy to promote systems change in suicide awareness and prevention; and
4. Establish a robust data collection and monitoring system to increase the scope and availability of suicide-related data and to evaluate suicide prevention efforts

Goal/Objective	Activities/Strategies
Goal 1: Strengthen and enrich current programs and intervention services	
<u>Objective #1:</u> Creation of Intervention Oversight sub committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide oversight to current intervention programs; review and recommend suggested new innovation interventions; meet quarterly
<u>Objective #2:</u> Increase LOSS Team membership by 100% through creation, intervention and oversight	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LOSS Team training, volunteer outreach to community partners and community at large
<u>Objective #3:</u> Increase PCP and clinicians knowledge of interventions for those most at risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 trainings per years directed at PCP and clinical
<u>Objective #4:</u> Increase and implement suicide and attempted suicide support groups in both counties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinate and facilitate the formation of SOS groups
<i>What does success look like?</i>	<p><i>Oversight Committee – Work group created within Task Force to focus on needs and innovations in interventions; better engagement of Task Force members and conduit to vet new members</i></p> <p><i>LOSS – Response to 100% of LOSS calls with active response</i></p> <p><i>PCP & Clinicians – Track training, attendance and evaluations</i></p> <p><i>Group – Active and available support groups in both counties; increase in resources to support those impacted by suicide or at risk of suicide</i></p>

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<p>Goal 2: Implement community education and information campaign and public awareness</p> <p><u>Objective #1:</u> Increase the number of medical providers who will screen patients for depression by 50%.</p> <p><u>Objective #2:</u> Increase the number of medical providers who will include, as part of depression screening, questions to patients about suicide.</p> <p><i>What does success look like?</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend medical society meetings to begin to survey and engage medical providers in providing feedback as to importance of screening for depression. • Analyze feedback from medical providers, and develop curriculum to address findings. • Delivery training to medical providers via medical society meetings and other forums. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend medical society meetings to begin to survey and engage medical providers in providing feedback as to importance of screening for depression including questions regarding suicide. • Analyze feedback from medical providers, and develop curriculum to address findings. • Delivery training to medical providers via medical society meetings and other forums. <p><i>Increase in referrals made by medical providers in response to depression screenings, including suicide.</i></p>
<p>Goal 3: Implement policy, advocacy and governance to promote systems change in suicide prevention</p> <p><u>Objective #1:</u> Establish a subcommittee to develop common message to engage private and civic organizations to invest human and financial resources in the mission of KTSPTF.</p> <p><u>Objective #2:</u> Create more transparency within task force membership and the operations of the executive board.</p> <p><i>What does success look like?</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gather input and support from general membership for subcommittee • Seek members and community members with skills and interests to further work for subcommittee • Create subcommittee of task force members and interested community members by August 2015 • Designate a volunteer recruiter/coordinator from membership of subcommittee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create and deliver orientation to new members • Deliver ongoing training to all Task Force members • Conduct annual by-law review • Create and keep updates membership binders • Create a more formalized membership process <p><i>Community values the work of KTSPTF; community-wide increase in overall awareness of suicide and suicide prevention; increase in resources that provide for innovation around suicide prevention; creation of conduit for new supporters, stakeholders and members; task force members are trained and highly engaged in supporting the mission.</i></p>

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<p>Goal 4: Accurate and timely data collection and reporting</p> <p><u>Objective #1:</u> Data will be collected from the local ERS.</p> <p><u>Objective #2:</u> Continue and maintain data collection</p> <p><i>What does success look like?</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a data review committee • Form relationships with the four local hospitals (Kaweah, Adventist, Tulare District and Sierra View) for purpose of data sharing • Engage interns and other volunteers to process data • Reflect as a review committee on what story the data is telling • Report to task for quarterly on findings • Publish timely and accurate reports on a quarterly basis on sptf.org to share with stakeholders. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue with consistent pre and post evaluations on all activities • Collect data on current activities we are not currently collecting data on. <p><i>All work of the task force will be informed by the data; data is reported and reflected upon at task force meetings; utilize data to inform and influence task force activities and resource development.</i></p>