



On Saturday, September 17, 2016, Family Service Society will have a team participating in the Out of the Darkness Community Walk at Craig Park in Painted Post. Proceeds from the walk fund research for suicide prevention, support survivors of suicide loss, improve advocacy efforts for public policy and distribute critical education programs. When you participate in this walk, you will be joining the community of nearly 250k people walking in hundreds of cities across the country in support of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's mission to save lives and bring hope to those affected by suicide. You can learn more and register at www.outofthedarkness.org



WALK TO FIGHT SUICIDE

OUT OF THE DARKNESS Community Walks
Suicide Prevention Starts With Everyday Heroes Like You. Register Today.

Painted Post
Out of the Darkness Community Walk
Presented by: Western New York Chapter

September 17, 2016
Craig Park
Painted Post, NY
Registration Time: 9:00 AM
Walk Time: 10:00 AM



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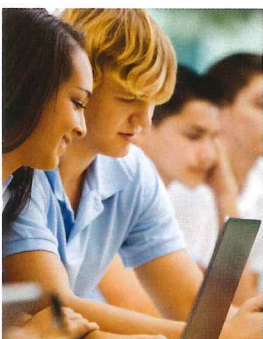
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RESEARCH

We need to understand the causes of suicide in order to discover the best ways to prevent it.

- This year we've invested over \$3 million dollars in 29 studies—for a total of \$14 million in the past 5 years.
- We are most excited about our first million-dollar study, work that could yield a major innovation: a fast, objective way to identify patients at short-term risk for suicide. The assessment tool would be easy to implement in emergency departments, and it would signal clinicians to take steps to reduce suicide attempts.



PREVENTION & EDUCATION

Once the research is in, we take action to save lives.

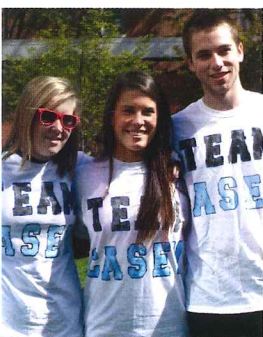
- Our Interactive Screening Program is a groundbreaking tool proven to get help to people at risk. Already at work at colleges, police departments, and Fortune 500 companies, with your help we can make it available to more organizations.
- Our *More Than Sad* Program is changing the conversation about mental health in schools, and your help allows us to update the materials and reach more schools.



ADVOCACY & PUBLIC POLICY

We work with Congress to draft legislation to support mental health and suicide research.

- We organize volunteers for Advocacy Day and State Capital Day to encourage Federal and State legislators to take action.
- Our most recent victory was the introduction of the SPRINT Act: Suicide Prevention Research Innovation, which if passed will secure funding for mental health and suicide research.



SUPPORT

When people do lose someone to suicide, we're there to provide support.

- Our Loss & Bereavement Department program supports the International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day, held in 300 cities around the world in order to connect loss survivors to a community of support.
- Our Survivor Outreach Program has developed a network of loss survivors to support others who lose loved ones to suicide.

Thank you for supporting
AFSP's goal to reduce
suicide 20% by 2025!



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