## **Suicide Bereavement Resources**

A member of my congregation has lost a loved one through suicide. What support and bereavement resources can I share?

Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide (LOSS) is a non-denominational program that supports individuals who are grieving the loss of a loved one by suicide. Support groups are offered online in a safe, non-judgmental environment where survivors of suicide can openly talk about feelings and experiences.



<u>Alliance of Hope</u> offers online access to community forums to help prevent suicide as well as supporting survivors of suicide loss.

<u>988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline</u> offers a comprehensive directory of support groups for suicide loss survivors that you can look through to find one that best meets your needs.

<u>American Foundation for Suicide Prevention</u> lists U.S. and international suicide bereavement support groups as a public service to loss survivors.

Suicide Awareness Voices of Education offers a bereavement support group listing.

<u>Suicide Prevention Resource Center</u> offers a directory of resources for survivors of suicide loss.

<u>Crisis Connections</u> offers a drop-in support group twice a month for those who have lost a loved one to suicide.

<u>Speaking of Suicide</u> is an online Facebook suicide survivor page where individuals can share their experiences with suicide.

<u>The Compassionate Friends</u> is one of the oldest online platforms for bereaved individuals to gather self-help grief support to families struggling with the loss of a loved one due to suicide.

<u>Healing Conversations</u>: Personal support for suicide loss from the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

**Resources for suicide loss survivors** from the Family & Youth Institute, a research and education institute that specializes in the needs of American Muslims.

**<u>Jewish Children and Family Services Chicago</u>** offers a Grieving a Loss to Suicide support group.

<u>Fox Valley Institute</u> offers an online bereavement support group for those who have lost a loved one through suicide.



## **Suicide Prevention Resources**

## I want to educate my members about suicide prevention. What resources can I share?

- <u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Suicide</u>
  Resources
- American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
- Talk Saves Lives
- Warning Signs of Suicide. What to do if You Suspect Someone is Thinking About Suicide: NAMI. <u>English</u> <u>version</u>. <u>Spanish version</u>
- #BeThe1To campaign materials.
- Faith. Hope. Life suicide-prevention campaign for faith communities.
- Navigating a Mental Health Crisis: A NAMI Resource Guide for Those Experiencing a Mental Health Emergency: NAMI. <u>English version</u>. <u>Spanish</u> version.
- Mental Health Ministries Suicide Prevention Resources
- Suicide Prevention Resource Center Faith Communities Resources
- The Role of Faith Communities in Suicide Prevention a Guidebook for Faith Leaders
- The Family & Youth Institute Suicide Prevention Community Action Guide.

## One of my members is showing warning signs of suicide. How can I help?

Refer your member to any of the following support hotlines:

- 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: 988 or 1-800-273-8255
- NAMI Crisis Text Line: Text NAMI to 741-741
- NAMI Chicago Helpline: 833-NAMI-CHI
- NAMI Southeast Wisconsin: 414-257-7222
- <u>The Friendship Line</u> 1-800-971-0016
- Crisis Text Line HOME to 741741
- SAMHSA's National Helpline 1-800-662-HELP (4357)
- Maternal Mental Health Hotline 1-833-9-HELP4MOMS





