GOALS AND OBJECTIVES 2018

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.

Objective 1.1
The Suicide Prevention Action Network (SPAN) community committee will be reconvened for the development of the Kalamazoo County Plan for Suicide Prevention.

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.

Objective 2.1
Adopt a tag line/message about suicide as a public health problem.

Objective 2.2
Determine distribution methods

Objective 2.3
Distribute message.

Objective 2.4
Engage media to increase public awareness and guide perception.

Objective 3.1
Continuously monitor County data to determine at-risk populations.

Objective 3.2
Advocate for the adoption of policies and processes that support suicide prevention with community organizations in Kalamazoo County.

Objective 3.3
Engage individuals with lived experience in suicide prevention planning.

Objective 4.1
Provide consultation and make recommendations around process development for the prevention of suicide.

Objective 5.1
Promote Zero Suicides as a community goal by health care, community mental health providers and other support agencies.

Objective 5.2
Promote communication and collaboration between multi-disciplinary providers throughout Kalamazoo County.

Objective 6.1
SPAN will coordinate with the medical examiner to gather county suicide data in collaboration with Kalamazoo Community Health Services and Michigan DHHS.

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.

Objective 7.3
Promote resources.

Objective 8.1
Identify community resources and unmet needs.

Objective 8.2
Advocate for expanded services.

Objective 8.3
Promote 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.