

Clackamas County Suicide Prevention Action Plan

Means Safety Team Minutes

February 15, 2023 | 1 – 2pm
Virtual Meeting

Attendees: Donna-Marie Drucker (Chair and facilitator), Galli Murray

1) Welcome & introductions

Reviewed purpose of this action team which is: In collaboration with the firearm community, law enforcement agencies, community-based organizations, academic environments, health care providers and suicide prevention training partners, promote means safety as part of a comprehensive approach to suicide prevention

2) Reviewed Suicide Prevention Action Plan (SPAP) strategic directions for the Means Safety Action Team:

2a. Engage the firearm community in this work and let them lead versus telling them what to do.

2b. Increase awareness about access to secure storage items such as rifle cases, gun cable locks and medication lock boxes and why using them can save lives.

2c. Provide suicide prevention trainings within the firearm community.

2d. Increase firearm cultural competence for behavioral, physical health and substance use providers and those who may not identify as part of the firearm community.

1. Spent the meeting time using the equity assessment tool.

2. **Used the equity tool to review strategic direction 2a. Engage the firearm community in this work and let them lead versus telling them what to do through the lens of this framework. Conversation that came from this process:** How do we provide trainings that better meet the needs of our BIPOC communities? Trainings that are not white centered? We need to listen more to what our communities need and offer resources to let them create what it is they want and need. We are close to launching the Latinx listening sessions as the first of many with BIPOC communities. The plan is to hear what the need is and plan with that community to address the need. How do we reach gun owners in the parts of Clackamas that are not connected to a rifle club (this costs money) and who are not connected to social media? Schools are one way to connect with these individuals. Hold a “pop up” event where secure storage items are handed out. More micro events planned as a way to reach individuals that we may not historically reach.

Review action items

1. Galli to find information on the Shed Project and send to Donna-Marie.
2. Galli to loop back with Gus Bedwell about contacts with VFWs and American Legions that he might have for us.
3. Galli to ask Gus about Veteran’s breakfasts or other activities that we might be able to invite ourselves to and start to establish trust with communities.
4. Galli to email CCSO Undersheriff to request an update about potential CCSO partnership.

Next meeting: | March 15th 1 – 2pm | Virtual <https://clackamas-us-countyhealth.zoom.us/j/84081756186>

Meetings are open to anyone. All are welcome!