Means Safety Team Minutes

November 20th | 1 – 2pm Virtual Meeting

Attendees: Donna-Marie Drucker (Chair and facilitator), Galli Murray, Megan Miller (VISTA Member Suicide Prevention Coordinator), Aimee Johnson (Aimee Johnson Consulting)

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 saves 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.

New Business:

 "Welcome boxes" project for firearm owners (modeled after <u>https://usrepresented.com/2023/01/07/baby-</u> <u>box/#:~:text=Finland%20is%20a%20socially%20progressive,public%20health%20program%20ever%20</u> <u>since</u>.) is moving forward. Grant funding from OHA has been secured to approx. 200 boxes into our community. Aimee has been working to get a list of all items together. The team discussed various resources that might go into the box.

Review action items

- 1. Galli to f/u with CCSO about distributing boxes.
- 2. Galli to f/u about tracking drug disposal bags once they are distributed (can we tell how many have been used?)

Next meeting is December 5th, from 1 – 2pm

Meeting Link here: https://clackamas-us-countyhealth.zoom.us/j/85387629844

Meetings are open to anyone. All are welcome!