

SUICIDE PREVENTION INITIATIVE

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Exeter Hospital is committed to leveraging its Community Impact Program to substantially impact the risk of youth suicide in the greater Seacoast area of New Hampshire. Youth suicide has been identified in the Hospital's last two Community Health Needs Assessments as a growing concern in our community and is the second leading cause of death in New Hampshire for individuals age 10-34. In October 2016, Exeter Hospital launched a four-year, \$250,000 annual grant cycle. Grants are awarded to organizations that address the root causes of youth suicide, including substance misuse, teen depression, social isolation, abuse, bullying, lack of awareness, and the communication and engagement barriers associated with the stigma of each of those issues within Rockingham County.

HAVEN

HAVEN was formed through the merger of A Safe Place and SASS in 2015. With support from Exeter Hospital, HAVEN will increase the capacity of their Safe Kids Strong Teens program by adding a fourth educator position, reaching an additional 500 students, and pilot a program specifically focused on suicide prevention and the links between bullying and violence.



Chase Home for Children in partnership with Seacoast Outright and New Heights Funding from Exeter Hospital enables New Heights, The Chase Home for Children and Seacoast Outright to form the Seacoast Youth Suicide Prevention Network (SYSPN). The organizations will cross train and provide a portion of their core services to 150 youth in the first year of SYSPN's existence.



Arts in Reach (AIR)

The mission of Arts In Reach is to empower teenage girls through mentoring and the arts. Exeter Hospital's support will help AIR deliver asset-based mentoring and arts programming to at-risk teenage girls that address and prevent some of the underlying causes of youth suicide.



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Southern District YMCA

Exeter Hospital awarded the Southern District YMCA a one-time capital grant to support the construction of a black box theater in their Odyssey Teen Center, and additional funding to support outreach efforts to expand access for low-income teenagers to use the YMCA.



The Carriage Barn Equestrian Center

The Carriage Barn's grant from Exeter Hospital will fund an inclusionary and supportive hippotherapy program where 40 adolescents will receive professional instruction in horsemanship and learn how to assist with therapeutic riding and carriage-driving lessons.



Connor's Climb Foundation

With funding from Exeter Hospital, Connor's Climb Foundation will host the second New Hampshire Certified Training Institute (CTI) to educate 30 youth-focused community members to lead the Signs of Suicide (SOS) program in schools and communities across the state. We are also the main sponsor of their annual Connor's Climb 5K and Family Walk fundraiser.



Seacoast Public Health Network (SPHN)

In partnership with Exeter Hospital, SPHN will streamline the eligibility process for obtaining scholarships and discounts for community sports and YMCA programs offered to students in the SAU 16 community through the new Key Program. Students who qualify for the Free & Reduced Lunch program will be eligible for the Key Card, which eliminates the need for program partners to verify income, significantly reducing barriers.



Gather (formerly Seacoast Family Food Pantry)

Gather's Meals for Kids provides fresh ingredients for healthy meals weekly during school vacations and the summer. Exeter Hospital will underwrite the expansion of this program to include vouchers for Seacoast Eat Local's new mobile farmers' market van, which will be available to the community at the Seabrook Recreation Center.





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