



A Tradition of Stewardship
A Commitment to Service

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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Shelli Brobst for Jennifer Yasumoto - Director
Health & Human Services Administration

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SUBJECT: Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring September 2019 as Suicide Prevention Month

RECOMMENDATION

Presentation of a proclamation to Sarah O'Malley, Deputy Director/Mental Health Director declaring September 2019 "Suicide Prevention Month" in Napa County.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proclamation declaring the month of September 2019 as "Suicide Prevention Month" in Napa County is part of a local effort by the Napa County Suicide Prevention Council to save lives and achieve a suicide-free community through education and training, stigma reduction, and provision of resources to combat suicide.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Napa County Suicide Prevention Council (NCSPC) is a public/private collaborative of Napa families impacted by suicide and agencies that serve the Napa County Community. The NCSPC strives to save lives and envisions a suicide-free community through education and training, stigma reduction, and provision of resources to combat suicide.

According to the Centers for Disease Control:

- | Suicide is the tenth leading cause of death in the United States. In 2017, it claimed 47,000 lives. It is the second leading cause of death among individuals ages 25-34, and the fourth leading cause of death among individuals ages 35-44.
- | In 2018, the suicide rate in California was 11.1 deaths per 100,000 population. The Napa County suicide rate in 2018 was 8.5 per 100,000 residents.
- | In 2017, the race with the highest suicides was American Indian/Alaska Native and second highest Non-Hispanic males and females. Among females, the suicide rate was highest for those aged 45-54 and among males, the suicide rate was highest for those aged 65 and older.

According to Napa County Mental Health Division analysis of Napa County Sheriff Coroner's Office data:

- | Between 2000 and 2018, 263 suicides were reported in Napa County. The months of January, April, and August have the greatest number of suicides overall.
- | In Napa County, the overall average age of suicide is 51 years old.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Proclamation--Suicide Prevention Month September 2019

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Susan Kuss