

## Youth Suicide Prevention Program



Virginia Department of Health  
Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services

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(1) Provide state-level leadership

(2) Raise statewide awareness



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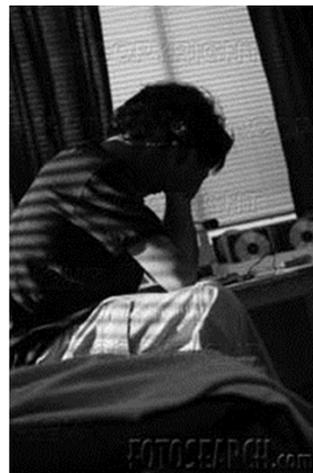
- (3) Community-based programming
- (4) University/college based activities



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## Youth Suicide in Fairfax County

- Community concern regarding youth suicides
- Request for CDC assistance (Epi-Aid)



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## Objectives of the Epi Aid

- Examine trends of fatal and non-fatal suicidal behaviors
- Identify risk and protective factors
- Collaborate with state, local, and federal partners

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## Epi Aid Recommendations

- Educate youth and families
- Improve access
- Improve care coordination
- Develop partnerships
- Educate media on safe messaging
- Implement an evaluation plan



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## Contact for More Information

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