

# **Suicide Prevention**

Suicide is one of the leading causes of death in the United States. For young people ages 15-24, it is the 2nd leading cause of death. Childhood abuse, a recent upsetting event, access to a gun, or an unfriendly social or school environment could all cause someone to think about suicide.

## You can help prevent suicide by looking for these signs.

- Feeling sad or hopeless
- Loss of interest in social and regular activities
- Major changes in weight or appetite
- Sleeping too little or too much
- Pulling away from friends or family
- Not able to focus or think clearly
- Drug and alcohol use
- Giving away things they love



A cry for help could come in a public place such as social media. Know where to look.

If you need help now, call the 24/7 Crisis Helpline at 512-472-HELP (4357). Press 1 for English, then 1 for mental health crisis support.



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### How You Can Help Someone Thinking About Suicide

- 1. Believe what they say. Take words and actions seriously.
- 2. Listen and don't judge.
- 3. Ask about thoughts or plans for suicide.
- 4. Get help. Do not leave them alone until help is available.

## Ways to Get Help

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Call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-8255 | suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Call 911 and ask for a Mental Health Officer

Use the Crisis Text Line Text HOME to 741741 | crisistextline.org

Go to Integral Care's Psychiatric Emergency Services (PES) 1165 Airport Blvd, 2nd floor, Austin 78702 Monday-Friday 8am-10pm | Saturday, Sunday & Holidays 10am-8pm

Go to Dell Children's Hospital 4900 Mueller Blvd, Austin 78723

Go to any hospital emergency room