

STAY INFORMED, STAY CONNECTED: TEEN SUICIDE

- ▶ According to longleafhospital.com “...one person every 13 hours dies from suicide in Louisiana”
- ▶ Teen suicide is an issue that can not be solved after the fact.
- ▶ We must take action now

STATS/ DATA

- ▶ Longleafhospital.com says, “ The Second leading cause of death for Louisianans ages 15-34”
- ▶ Dr. Nadine Kaslow believes, “ Majority of outsiders looking in think suicide is for attention or a “ cry for help”
- ▶ The Jason foundation “Four out of five teens who attempt suicide have given clear warning signs”

The Resolution

OUR GOALS:

- ▶ Promote being active in other people's lives, through a club aimed at social comforting and sympathy.
- ▶ Youth can make posters that show how everyone is important to promote caring and suicide awareness
- ▶ Someone who has witnessed or been through this traumatizing event can come to speak at schools
- ▶ Establish peer support (suicide prevention clubs) at schools
- ▶ WE NEED.... To educate:
 - ▶ Students how to deal with their emotions through counselors
 - ▶ Parents and students need to be able to identify the signs and symptoms of people who may be suicidal. We can use flyers and newsletters to better inform the public.
- ▶ Testimony