

**MINUTES 7/8/19 Suicide Prevention Task Force
7:30 - 8:30 am St Andrew's Church**

Present:

**Melinda Bobo
John Kelly
Michelle Overgaag
Matthew Daniels
Bill Lehr**

**Aaron Preece
Randy Belton
Hillary Tollison
Trisha Scott**

Agenda items:

- Opportunity for feedback on 6/26/19 QPR training. Some task force members present took issue with some of the interpretations of data presented in the training. Robust discussion of the interpretations and data followed, with agreement that the Sublette QPR trainers will look at the mandatory QPR power point and identify slides where the suicide data is confusing and needs clarification. Agreement was also made to review and discuss all of the mandatory QPR slides so that all members may be comfortable with all slides. Also, some members volunteered to research other county's QPR presentations for ideas to customize a Sublette County introduction. Agreement was made to hold 2 meetings in the next month to review and discuss those slides to identify what is pertinent, i.e., what do Gatekeepers need to know; identify what state and national data to add to the intro; and goals for the first year. **Dates for meetings: Monday July 29, 12 noon at Public Health, lunch provided. Sunday August 4, 4pm at St. Andrew's. (Dates chosen were to accommodate members' training and vacation schedules.)**
- May 2020 was suggested for next community training. This gives the task force time to review several community training options for best fit for Sublette: Mental Health First Aid, CIS, Sources of Strength, The Bozeman Trail, and the Adverse Childhood Education training have all been suggested. The first program we will review and discuss at the August 5 meeting will be Sources of Strength.
- **September is Suicide Awareness Month: 2 Candlelight vigils are scheduled: Big Piney, Sept 11 7pm. Walk from BPHS to intersection of Budd and Highway 189 OR end the walk at the park by the library to avoid crossing the highway in the dark. Pinedale: Sept 18 7pm. Walk will end at American Legion park. Both walks will be followed by an ecumenical community service.**
- Suicide Awareness Month films: Can screen both "The S Word" and "Suicide - The Ripple Effect", and have show times in both Big Piney and Pinedale, for a film every week in the county for the month.

Next task force meeting: August 5, 7:30 - 8:30 at St. Andrew's Church.