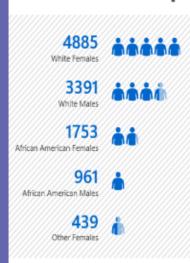
# S.C. Youth Suicide Prevention Initiative

Our vision is a South Carolina free of suicide in youth and young adults.

Who is affected in S.C.?

# **SUICIDE ATTEMPTS**

Suicide Attempts for Ages 10-24



43%

in suicide attempts for the last 5 years in S.C.

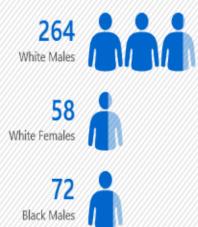
Suicide attempts rates for 10-14-year-olds DOUBLED in the last 5 years in some S.C. counties

# **SUICIDE DEATHS**

18%

in suicide deaths for the last 5 years in S.C.

Suicide Deaths for Ages 10-24\*



\* = Some categories were eliminated due to small numbers & privacy concerns

# What is happening?

### Suicide Attempts Methods





### Suicide Deaths Methods



Stakeholders say
DRUG USE
can influence the decision
to die by suicide

## Factors include.....

### DRUG USE

10-24-yr-olds
19% increase
drug use rates

### **BULLYING**



### **FAMILY TRAUMA**



FINANCIAL STRESS



### Vulnerable Populations Include....

**LGBTQ** Community

**Military Members** 

**Disability Community** 

Low Socioeconomic Status

**College Students** 

Youth and Young Adults who have experienced trauma

# Know the signs and symptoms of suicide risk Talk to friends and family Talk to friends and family Talk to friends and family Text the Crisis Text line: text START to 741-741 Call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-8255

Sources:
Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance, 2014
Attempts: Hospital and ED visits 2010-2014, S.C. Hospital Discharge
Database, Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office, Health and Demographics
Section
Stakeholder Interviews
Deaths: S.C. DHEC Vital Statistics, 2010-2014.