

Geauga County Suicide Prevention Coalition Strategic Plan FY2026 – July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026



Mission Statement

The Geauga County Suicide Prevention Coalition is a group of people who partner with the community to create compassion and build hope through education, advocacy, and support for a future free from suicide.

Geauga County Suicide Prevention Coalition Members

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Assessment Overview

Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation Strategic Plan https://www.ohiospf.org/wp-content/uploads/OSPF_Strategic_Plan_Final_2018.pdf - reviewed 7/10/2025

Geauga County Strategies

STRATEGIC PLANNING TERMINOLOGY

Action Steps: Specific steps that need to be taken to meet the objective.

Timeline: The timeframe within which activities will take place.

Responsible Party: Who will be responsible for ensuring the objective is met.

Strategy 1: CREATE PROTECTIVE ENVIRONMENTS

Objective: Use data to identify trends

Action Step	Timeline	Responsible Party

Objective: Reduce access to lethal means

Action Step	Timeline	Responsible Party

Objective: Strengthen mentorship programs

Action Step	Timeline	Responsible Party

Strategy 2: Build Community Capacity & Connectedness

Objective: Reduce stigma around help-seeking behaviors

Action Step	Timeline	Responsible Party

Objective: Engage in community engagement activities

Action Step	Timeline	Responsible Party

Objective: Promote and enhance parenting skills & family relationship programs

Action Step	Timeline	Responsible Party

Strategy 3: Strengthen Education and Advocacy Around Suicide Prevention

Objective: Develop community awareness through public education campaigns

Action Step	Timeline	Responsible Party

Objective: Increase engagement in existing training programs

Action Step	Timeline	Responsible Party

Objective: Develop GeaugaLives.org

Action Step	Timeline	Responsible Party