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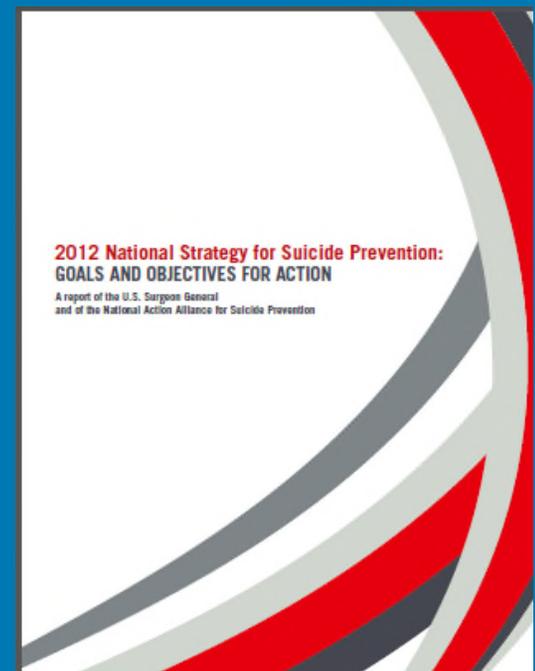
# The Nation's Public-Private Partnership

**Bringing together influential public and private sector leaders** (representing automobile, construction, defense, education, entertainment, faith, forestry, health, insurance, justice, law enforcement, mental health, military, news media, sports, railroad, technology, and veteran services) **to advance the *National Strategy for Suicide Prevention.***

# Action Alliance's *National Strategy*

Advance high-priority objectives from the *National Strategy* to support a national comprehensive response to suicide. Priorities include:

- **Health care** (crisis care, Zero Suicide, financing, care transitions)
- **Communities** (faith communities, workplaces, lethal means)
- **Messaging** (news media, entertainment, public messaging)



# Action Alliance Priorities



**Transforming  
Health Systems**



**Transforming  
Communities**



**Changing the  
Conversation**

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# TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES

# Data Underscores Importance of Communities <sup>7</sup>

Many factors contribute to suicide among those with and without known mental health conditions.



Note: Persons who died by suicide may have had multiple circumstances. Data on mental health conditions and other factors are from coroner/medical examiner and law enforcement reports. It is possible that mental health conditions or other circumstances could have been present and not diagnosed, known, or reported.

SOURCE: CDC's National Violent Death Reporting System, data from 27 states participating in 2015.

# Action Alliance's Community-Based Efforts: Workplaces & At-Risk Populations

## Workplace

The Action Alliance's Workplace Task Force leads efforts to improve suicide prevention in the workplace

## Other Communities

American Indian/Alaska Native

Juvenile Justice

Military Service Members and Veterans

# Action Alliance's Community-Based Efforts: Faith Communities



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## Faith. Hope. Life.

*Faith.Hope.Life.* is a campaign aimed at involving every faith community in the United States, regardless of creed, in suicide prevention.

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# CHANGING THE CONVERSATION

# Messaging Influencers



PUBLIC  
MESSENGERS



NEWS  
MEDIA



ENTERTAINMENT  
MEDIA

# National Public Perception Poll

- **94% percent would take action to help someone close to them who was thinking about suicide**
- **64% of Americans would encourage a friend or loved one in crisis to seek help from a mental health professional**
- Majority of Americans recognize that reducing the number of people who die by suicide also involves:
  - **59% educating the public**
  - **57% improving training for healthcare professionals**
  - **51% educating community leaders such as teachers and clergy (51 percent)**
- **4 in 5 adults (78%) are interested in learning more about how they might be able to play a role in helping someone who may be suicidal**

# National Messaging Resources



[ReportingOnSuicide.org](https://www.reportingonsuicide.org)



[SuicidePreventionMessaging.org](https://www.suicidepreventionmessaging.org)



[SuicideInScripts.org](https://www.suicideinscripts.org)

“despite unprecedented levels of suicide prevention activity...efforts to implement all that we know about suicide prevention as part of a comprehensive approach that seeks to prevent suicide across the lifespan (including adults as well as youth) have been rare”

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