



Postvention as Prevention

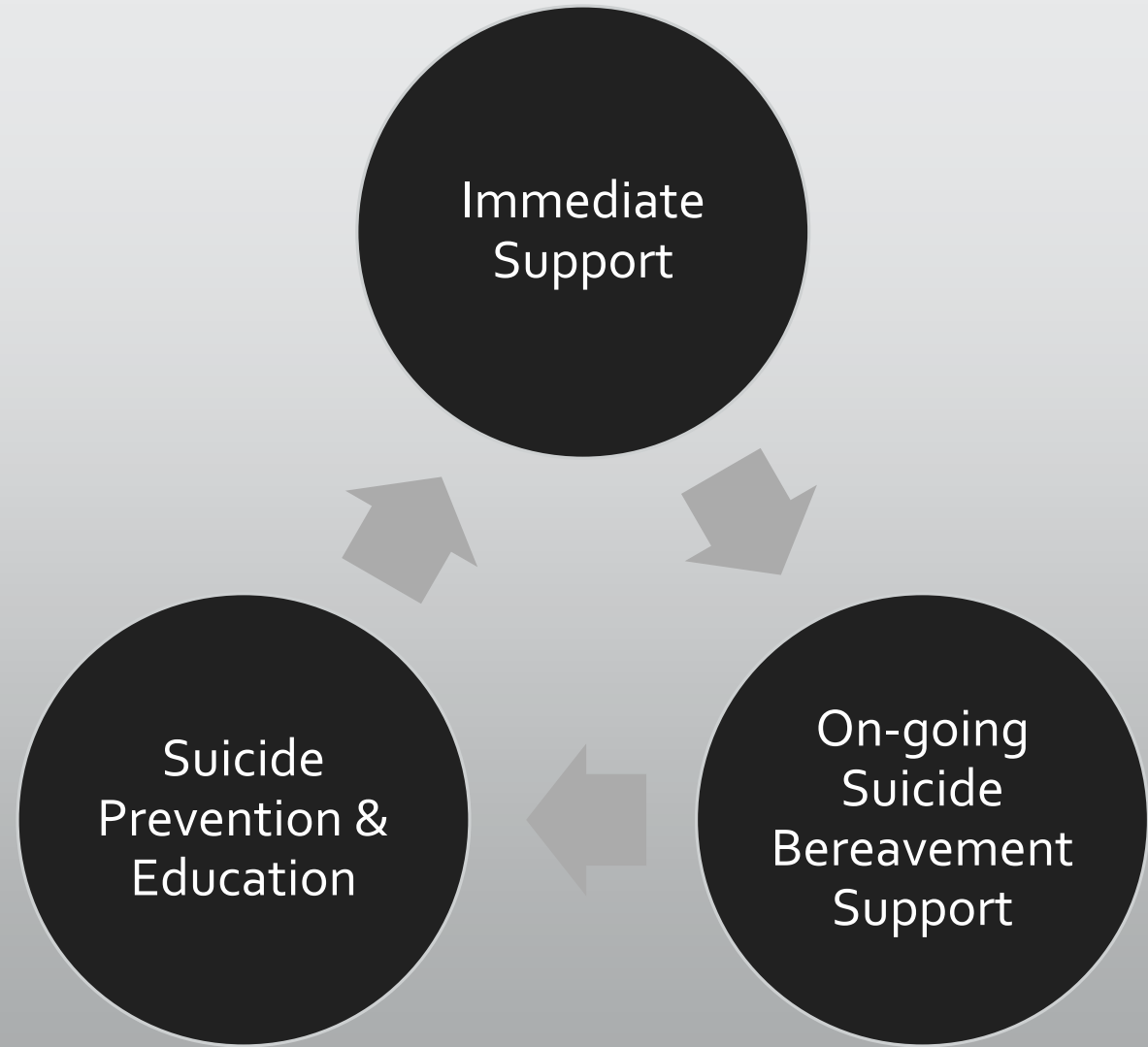
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What is Postvention?

The supports provided following a suicide death or attempt.

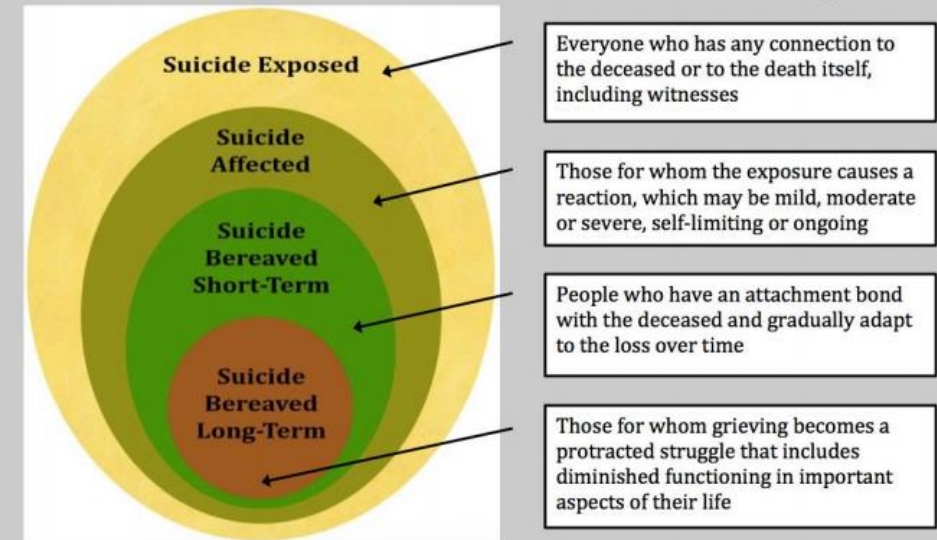
The Basic Components of Postvention



Proactive Planning is Necessary

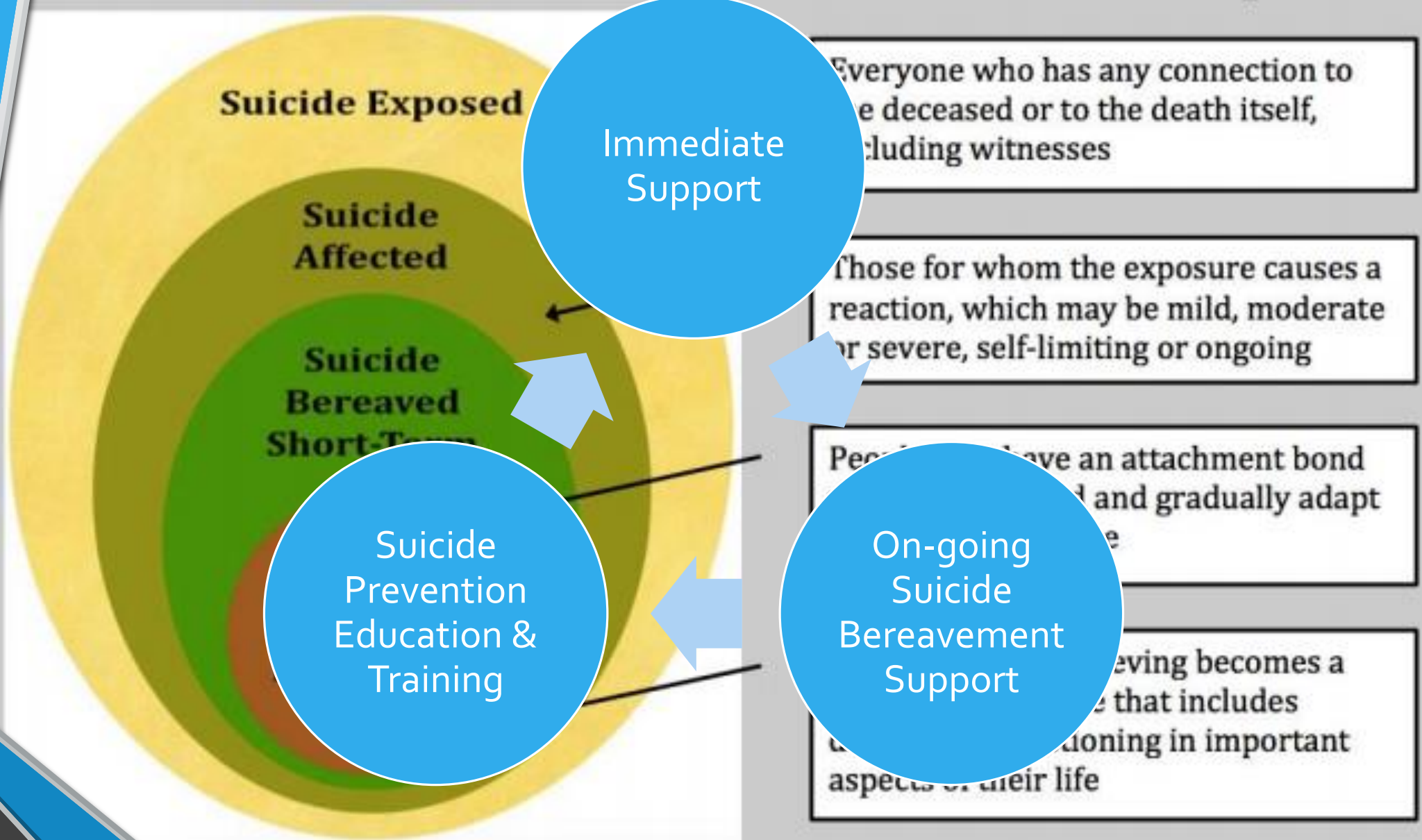
- For each death by suicide, it is estimated that 115 people are impacted; with 1 in 5 reporting that this experience had a devastating effect or caused a major life disruption.

The Continuum Model: Effects of Suicide Exposure



Based on: Cerel, J., McIntosh, J. L., Neimeyer, R. A., Maple, M., & Marshall, D. (2014). The Continuum of Survivorship: Definitional Issues in the Aftermath of Suicide. *Suicide and Life-Threatening Behavior*, 44, 591-600.

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Necessary Ingredients



POLICIES & PROTOCOLS
WITH EDUCATION &
TRAINING



TRAINED LOSS
ADVOCATES WITH LIVED
EXPERIENCE



COMMUNITY RESOURCE
NETWORK

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What we have done.

- Trainings for Suicide Safer Care
- Advocacy for Best Practices

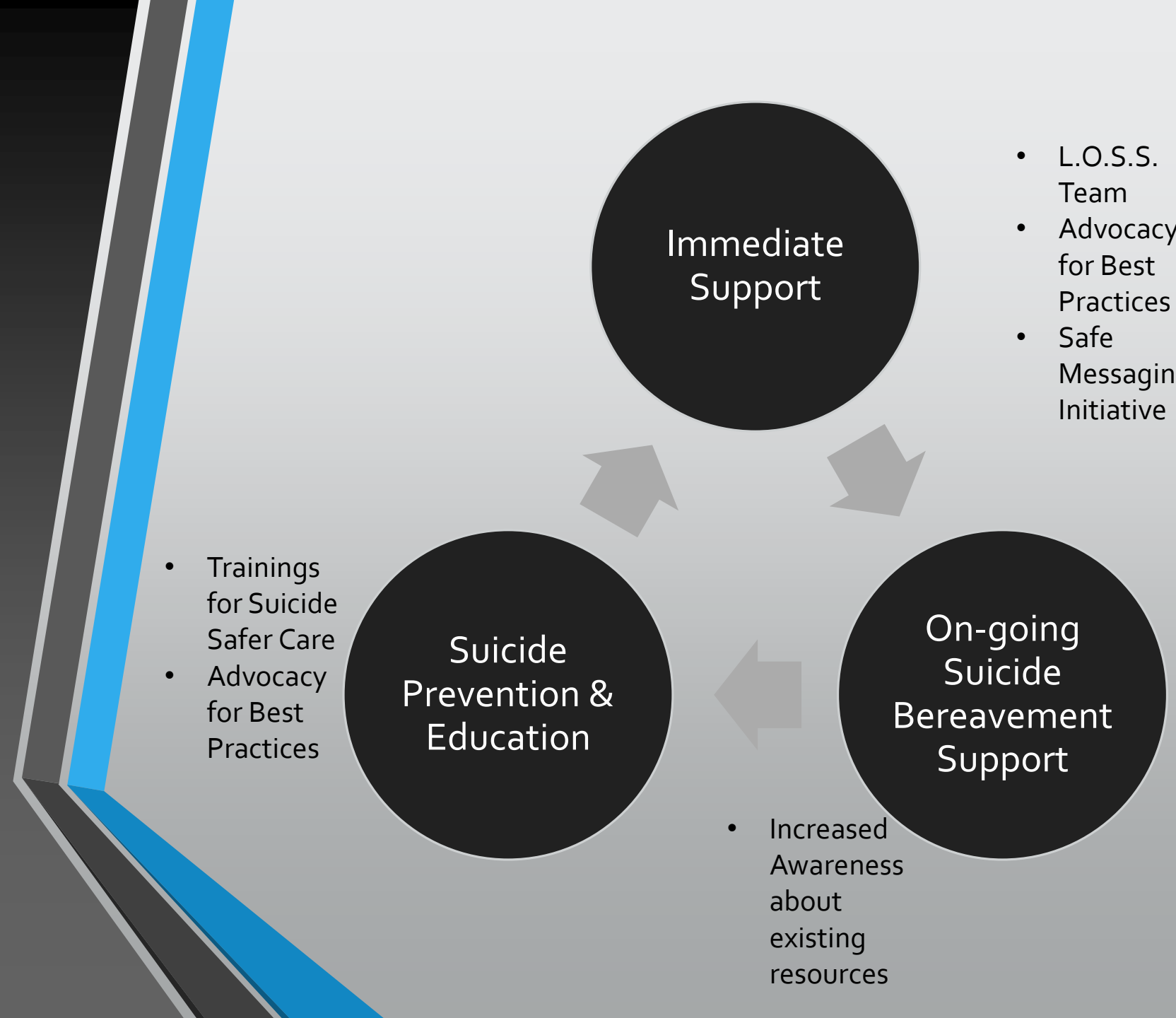
Suicide Prevention & Education

Immediate Support

- L.O.S.S. Team
- Advocacy for Best Practices
- Safe Messaging Initiative

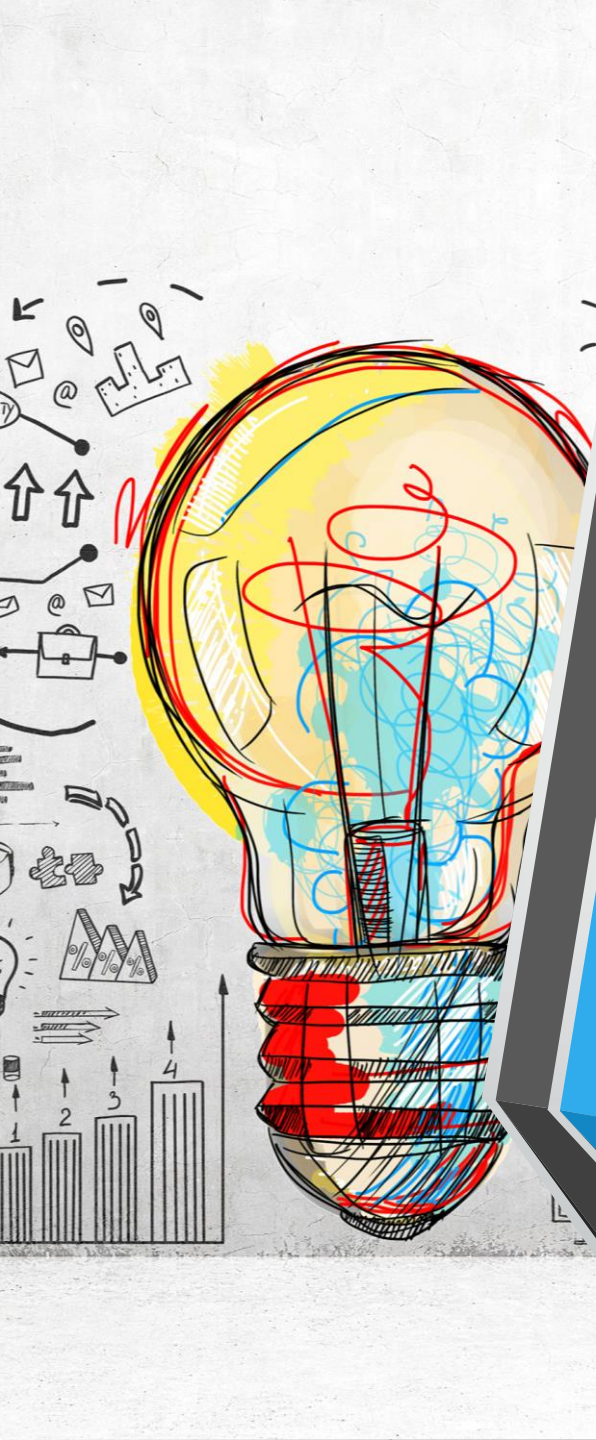
On-going Suicide Bereavement Support

- Increased Awareness about existing resources



We Need You

- Suicide Prevention Policies, Training Plans, & Response Plans
- Safe Messaging Pledge from Media Partners
- Get Trained
- Volunteer for the LOSS Team
- Join our Work Group



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