

What is the grant program?

The State Legislature created the Suicide Prevention Community-Based Services Grant Program under [RCW 43.60A.260](#) to award grants to community organizations that provide suicide prevention, peer support, and other assistance to at-risk and transitioning Veterans, Military Members and their families in their communities. The grant will prioritize peer support models of suicide prevention. The activities of this grant will be determined by community needs and input. This grant program will operate continuously and DVA will award grants as funds are available.

Where are funds coming from?

There are two sources of funding for the Suicide Prevention Community-Based Services Grant Program:

Purchase of the Suicide Prevention Emblem

Proceeds (\$10) from the purchase of the Suicide Prevention License Plate Emblem will directly fund the grant program. These emblems can be purchased by anyone with a registered license plate through the Department of Licensing. To learn more about the emblem visit: [DVA Suicide Prevention Emblem](#)

Donations to the Military and Veteran Suicide Prevention Account

All donations into the Military and Veteran Suicide Prevention Account will help fund the grant program. Anyone can donate to this account either online or by mail.

- By Check: Complete this [donation form](#) and send the form, along with a check to the State Treasurer’s Office
- Online: Follow this link: [Donate to the State of Washington](#) and complete the online donation process with a credit card or bank account. Be sure to indicate your donation will be going to the following fund: 27H - Veterans & Mil Mmbrs Suicide Prev Acct

Who are the stakeholders?

This grant program relies on the participation from various stakeholders:

- Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs - Suicide Prevention Program Manager & Suicide Prevention Grant Specialist manage the program process and outcomes.
- University of Washington, Forefront Suicide Prevention – provides evaluation of effectiveness of each grant program recipient.
- Community Members – provide input through [community needs assessment](#) and advisory committee participation.

How do I get involved?

You can get involved in supporting this grant program by providing your input in *two ways*:

- Completing the [community needs assessment](#)
- Applying to serve on the Grant Program Advisory Committee

If I have more questions about this program, who do I contact?

You can contact the grant program specialist by completing this [Program Inquiry Form](#)