


2025

Stronger Together: Building Assets for Brookings, A Day for Suicide Prevention

 Dacotah Bank Center: February 19, 2025

 Attendees: 79+

 Resource Booths: 14

A day focused on how all of us can help increase concrete supports throughout Brookings and surrounding communities to instill hope, safety and healing.

Organized by:



The Lineup:

- Tifanie Petro - Pennington County State's Attorney's Office: "Hope is an Action"
- Betsy Schuster - CEO Active Generations: "Building Mental Flexibility: A Non-Runners Journey Running in The 437 Project"
- Dr. Mo - University of South Dakota: "Harm Reduction for All- Building Safer & Healthier Communities"
- Emotional Wellness Breakout Sessions

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SOUTH DAKOTA, Let's Be Clear
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Attendee Takeaways...

- "I plan on sharing these events with my co-workers and school staff members that I work with! Awareness of mental health is a much-needed thing in today's society!!" - First time attendee
- "Stronger Together reminds me that no one has to face their struggles alone. It's more than an event, it's a community of hope." - Multi-year attendee

Event Photos



SD DSS- Division of Behavioral Health team



Mayor Niemeyer & Brookings United Way team



Brookings Health System staff



2024

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Dacotah Bank Center:
February 21st, 2025



Attendees: 100+



Booths: 17

Organized by:



Brookings Area
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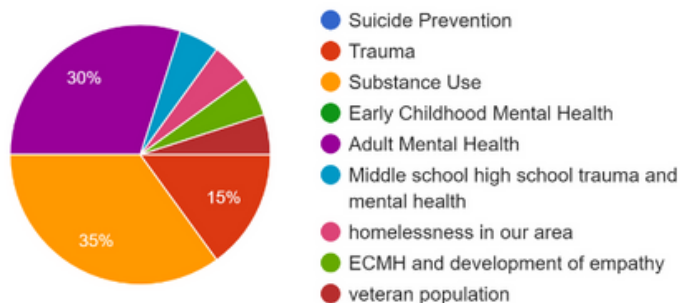
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The Lineup

- **Dodi Haug, BS, CPS** - Northeast Prevention Resource Center: Community Tips for Suicide Prevention
- **Dr. Mo** - University of South Dakota: Narcan Administration & Overdose Prevention
- **Tehra Nelson** - the Helpline Center: Means Safety Training
- **Cam Corey** - Vice Principal Lake Area Technical College: Being an "Upstander"

Survey Results

In the future, I hope to see more education or training on the following...



Attendee Takeaways...

- "The importance of safety plans."
- "We have lots of resources, but we need to share them with others."
- "The idea of not using words like addict vs. person in recovery, etc. Words matter."
- "The need for free social activities."
- "The need for emergency housing/halfway house to support those struggling with mental health or substance use disorders."

Photos

