



# AHCCCS Suicide Prevention

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# Suicide Facts & Figures: Arizona 2018\*



**On average, one person dies by suicide every seven hours in the state.**

**Almost twice as many people die by suicide in Arizona annually than by homicide.**

The total deaths to suicide reflect a total of 23,585 years of potential life lost (YPLL) before age 65.



Suicide cost Arizona a total of **\$1,246,006,000** of combined lifetime medical and work loss cost in 2010, or an average of **\$1,139,987 per suicide death.**

\*Based on most recent 2016 data from CDC. Learn more at [afsp.org/statistics](http://afsp.org/statistics).



## 8th leading cause of death in Arizona

**2nd leading**  
cause of death for ages 15-34

**3rd leading**  
cause of death for ages 35-44

**5th leading**  
cause of death for ages 45-54

**7th leading**  
cause of death for ages 55-64

**15th leading**  
cause of death for ages 65 & older

### Suicide Death Rates

	Number of Deaths by Suicide	Rate per 100,000 Population	State Rank
Arizona	1,271	17.59	17
Nationally	44,695	13.42	

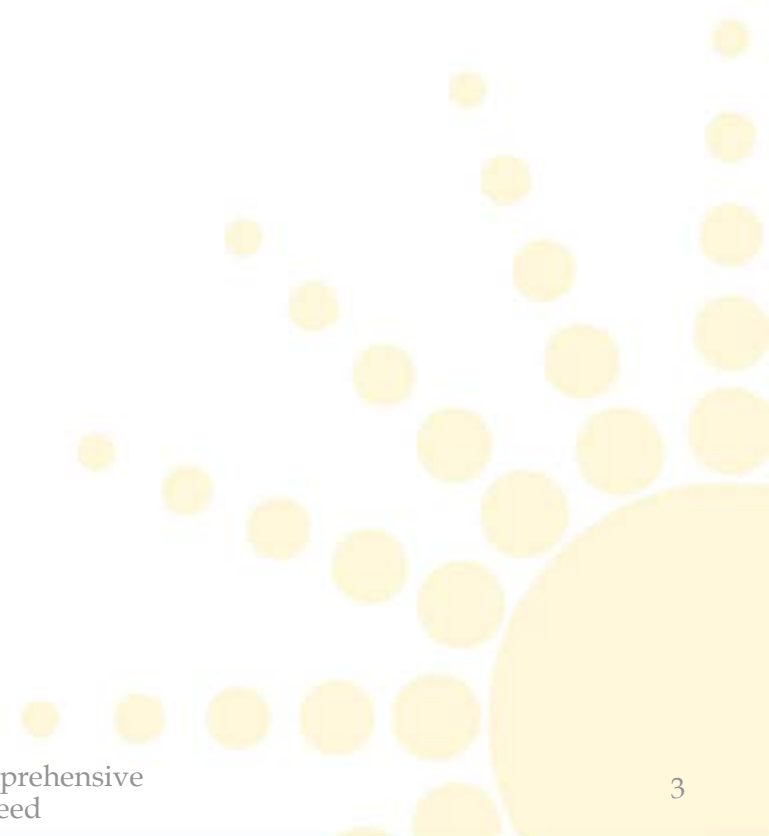
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# Priority populations

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- Those age 65 and older
- Veterans
- American Indians
- Teens



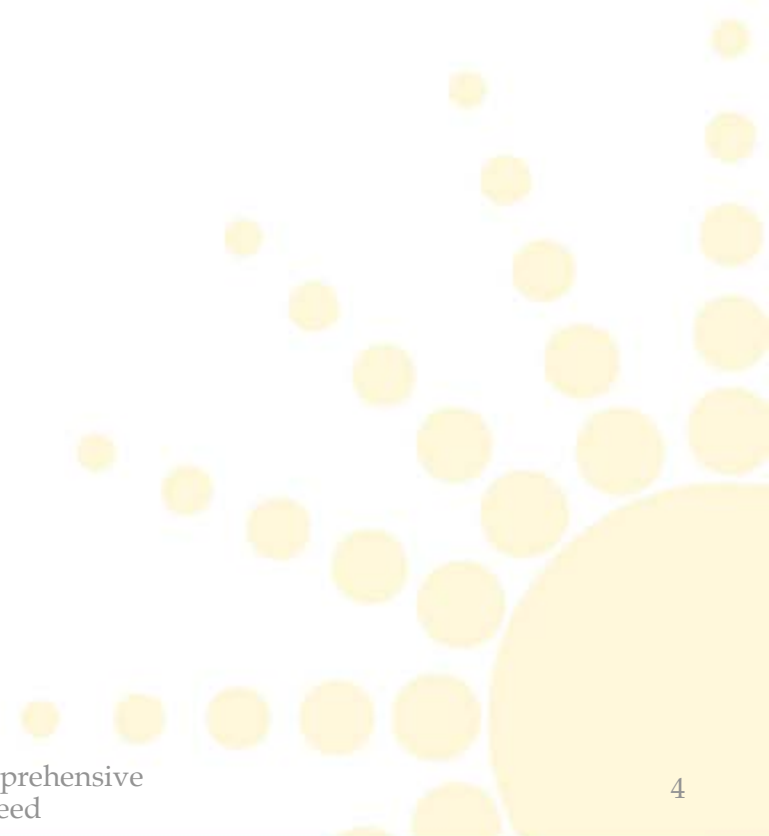
# Criminal Justice Partnerships

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Discussion:

What is the need?

What can we do to help?



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