

*Loss brought us together.
HOPE keeps us here.*

Our Mission

*To be an instillation
of hope to people
bereaved by suicide,
empowering survivors
so they can thrive.*

Our Vision

*A community of
suicide loss survivors
experiencing a
restoration of hope,
and standing together
for suicide awareness.*

A Community of HOPE



POSTVENTION IS PREVENTION

A postvention is an intervention conducted after a suicide, largely taking the form of support for the bereaved. Family and friends of the suicide victim may be at increased risk of suicide themselves.

Researchers have found that as many as 135 people may be affected by the suicide death of one person.



1,836
suicides reported in
Ohio in 2018

x 135

247,860
affected by suicide in
Ohio in 2018

2019 IMPACT

Equip | Respond | Collaborate | Empathize | Advocate

First Responder

134 loss survivors representing 40 deaths were supported in the immediate aftermath of their loss. An average of 43 minutes was spent at each location.

In Touch

114 loss survivors received a supportive phone call from a trained loss survivor within a few days of their loss. Loss survivors received 1,446 hand-written cards, 124 resource packets and books, and 70 care baskets.

Companion

26 new loss survivors received ongoing one-on-one in-person support from a trained loss survivor bringing the total active loss survivor companions to 51 in 2019.

Support Groups and Events

98 loss survivors completed a 10-week LOSS support group. 364 loss survivors attended a remembrance event where they connected with other loss survivors while honoring those lost.

Advocacy and Education

LOSS attended a total of 30 Advocacy and Education conferences and events, reaching 3,390 attendees.

Community Safety

715 people received Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Training.

Ohio & Beyond

6 communities outside of central Ohio received training on how to launch suicide prevention services in their community.

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I didn't realize it for nearly two years, but looking back I can say receiving a visit from LOSS Volunteers and the resources they provided immediately after my wife took her life was the start of hope for me.

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It was wonderful to talk with people going through the same trauma. I felt safe talking about my loss.



FUNDING AND EXPENSES - FY 2019

FUNDING

Fees for Service:
\$8,877.61

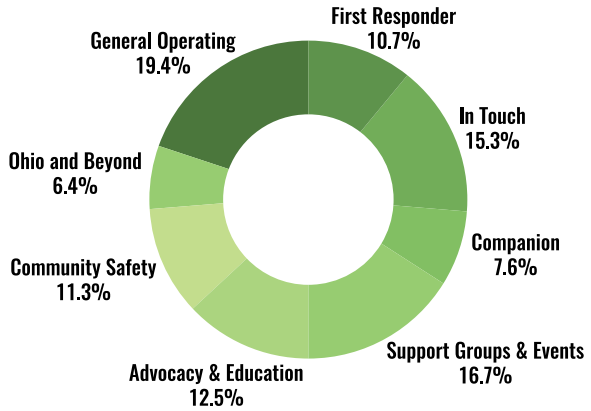
Donations:
\$28,466.36

Fundraisers:
\$33,989.26

Grants:
\$295,169.81

TOTAL:
\$366,503.03

EXPENSES



LOSS brings together a community of loss survivors who learn from and support one another.

LOSS (Local Outreach to Suicide Survivors) was founded in November, 2014 by a group of individuals who had experienced the loss of a loved one to suicide.

Although each story was unique and the time since their losses varied, there was one thing that each of them was missing, support.

Each year since then, the need for suicide loss support services has grown.

We invite you to become part of the community of hope. You may mail a check using the enclosed envelope, visit losscs.org/donate, or scan the QR code to make a donation using your smartphone.

