

Suicide Prevention and Opioid Addiction Services Program Selects 29 Organizations as Recipients of Grant Funds to Expand Services for Veterans



The Virginia Department of Veterans Services (DVS) has awarded \$3,206,099.46 in grant funding to 24 community-based Veteran Service providers and five universities under the new **Suicide Prevention and Opioid Addiction Services (SOS)** Program

SOS is a new initiative under the Virginia Veteran and Family Support (VVFS) Program in the Virginia Department of Veterans Services. SOS aims to enhance understanding of suicide prevention and opioid addiction among Service Members, Veterans, and their Families (SMVF) and build community support capacity to ensure the RIGHT HELP is widely available RIGHT NOW to military-connected citizens and families.

Earlier in the year, SOS announced the availability of funds and asked for applications from community-based service providers and universities to promote the use of evidence-based practices in alignment with other suicide and opioid misuse prevention and intervention programs administered by the Commonwealth of Virginia, to include peer support, crisis intervention, behavioral health focused prevention, treatment, and recovery support, etc.

Organizations receiving community-based funds include:

1. REBOOT Recovery (serving York, Stafford, Prince George, Hampton, Hanover)
2. Edge Clinical Services (serving Eastern and Western Virginia Regions)
3. Western Tidewater Community Service Board (serving Eastern Virginia)
4. Livingworks (serving Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Staunton, Norfolk)
5. Galax Treatment Centers/Acadia Healthcare-Virginia Treatment Centers (serving Winchester City, Christiansburg, Cedar Bluff, Galax)
6. Lighthouse Beacon Church/Beacon Institute (serving Williamsburg, Hampton Roads)
7. Hope for the Warriors (serving Springfield)
8. The Hazel Gray Foundation (serving Eastern Virginia, Hampton Roads)
9. Veterans Moving Forward (serving statewide)
10. Warrior Canine Connection (serving statewide)
11. Objective Zero (serving statewide)
12. Trails of Purpose (serving Hampton Roads and Eastern Virginia)
13. Hero's Bridge (serving Fauquier, Culpeper, Rappahannock, Madison)
14. Help Our Wounded (HOW) Foundation (serving Northern, Piedmont, Eastern, and Central Virginia)

15. Child and Family Services/The Up Center (serving Eastern Region)
16. Mount Rogers Community Services Board (serving Southwest Virginia)
17. Master Center for Addiction Medicine (MCAM) (serving Eastern and Central Region)
18. Stone Ridge Foundation (serving Richmond)
19. Center for Child and Family Services, Inc. (serving Newport News)
20. Movers Development Centers, Inc. (serving Richmond/Chesterfield)
21. Recovering By Numbers, Inc. (serving Newport News, Hampton, Chesapeake)
22. Imend (serving Lorton, Fairfax, Loudoun, Prince William, Arlington, Alexandria)
23. Zeno Wellness Group, LLC (serving Franklin and Eastern Region)
24. Virginia Treatment Center (serving Lynchburg, Roanoke)

Universities receiving research funding:

25. George Mason University
26. Virginia Military Institute
27. Norfolk State University
28. New River Community College
29. Virginia Tech

Thank you to these organizations for their efforts in suicide prevention and opioid addiction services for SMVF. DVS is excited to see what amazing things these partners can accomplish and how many lives are saved with the grant funds they received. Additional grant opportunities are currently open. Please click these eVA links to learn more: