

NVCH awarded grant for suicide prevention

**(KMZA)--The Nemaha Valley Community Hospital, in Seneca, is among 15 organizations across Kansas awarded grant funding to address the ongoing crisis of suicide in the state.**

**Governor Laura Kelly's Office announced last week that the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS), through its Kansas Community Suicide Prevention Grant program, has awarded a total of \$525,000 toward the effort.**

**The 15 organizations have received \$35,000 each to develop community-specific strategies to prevent suicide among at-risk Kansans.**

**According to a release, the expansion of suicide prevention efforts across Kansas is strengthened by the allocation of \$1.5 million in state general funds to KDADS' Behavioral Health Services Commission by Governor Kelly in fiscal year 2023.**

**Kelly said improving mental health in every community is essential to creating a healthy, thriving Kansas.**

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