Grantee Story: Dave Lee

TXT4Life Program
Director, Carlton County (Minnesota) Public Health & Human Services

• Plan sustainability from the very beginning
• If everyone has access to it, who should pay for it?
• “Public Health & Public Safety” Issue
• Sustainability through legislation
Reduce barriers to access
TXT4Life Sustainability - Legislative Efforts

• Meet with key State of MN Department staff

• Build multi-government, multi-sector coalition
  – Be part of legislative platforms and agendas for all coalition partners

• Legislative development
  – ID key legislators “Champions”, bipartisan authors
  – Testify: compelling statistics, stories and benefits of funding

• Evaluate

• Tell the story!
TXT4Life Sustainability

✓ Omnibus Spending Bill
  – $1.25 Million
  – Two years

– Statewide expansion of texting line, school awareness, evaluation funding
  • Middle & high schools
  • Colleges & universities
  • Tribal communities
Grantee Story: Jan Ulrich

Kentucky Suicide Prevention Coordinator
Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities
Zero Suicide in Kentucky

AN ACT relating to suicide prevention training.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 240 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Board" means the Kentucky Board of Social Work, Kentucky Board of Marriage and Family Therapy, Kentucky Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, Kentucky Board of Certification of Registered Counselors, Kentucky Board of Certification of Clinical Counselors, Kentucky Board of Examiners of Psychologists, Kentucky Board of Examiners of Occupational Therapists, Kentucky Board of Examiners of Physical Therapists, Kentucky Board of Examiners of Respiratory Care Practitioners, Kentucky Board of Examiners of Social Work, Kentucky Board of Examiners of Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling Practitioners, Kentucky Board of Nurse Practitioners and Clinical Nurse Specialists, and Kentucky Board of Examiners of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists.

(2) "Training program in suicide prevention, resuscitation, and crisis intervention" means an evidence-based, supported training program that contains suicide awareness, including prevention, intervention, and postvention, and suicide assessment, a board-approved program that includes one of the core components for the profession in question or in accordance with the profession's core components, and a training program that includes the core component in question for the profession in question or in accordance with the profession's core components. A training program that includes the core component in question for the profession in question or in accordance with the profession's core components shall be at least three (3) hours or more approved under the rules that limit.

(b) Beginning January 1, 2023, each of the following programs approved under KRS Title XVII shall, at least in part, contain a training program in suicide awareness, and each training program in suicide awareness shall be approved by the board of the profession in question or in accordance with the profession's core components:

(1) Social worker, marriage and family therapist, professional counselor, and.
Discussion Question

What kind of infrastructure might you want to create for sustainability?

Examples:

- Laws, tribal resolutions or mandates
- Policies, campus or community protocols
- Referral networks, MOUs
- Coalitions, Advisory Boards
- Data collection systems
- Care transition systems
- Others?