



**OREGON DEPARTMENT  
of VETERANS' AFFAIRS**

## Suicide Awareness and Prevention Funds Request

Funding is available to all Oregon Counties in 2018, and will be shared equally among all who request it. Requests must be placed by a County Commissioner/Judge, acting on behalf of the County. The funds are meant to help heighten community awareness and publicize mental health options available to veterans in your individual counties.

If you wish to participate and receive your equal share, please complete this form and submit by June 15, 2018. You may email it to [Farkas@odva.state.or.us](mailto:Farkas@odva.state.or.us), or bring/mail it to 700 Summer St NE, Salem, OR, 97301, attn.: suicide awareness funding.

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In the space provided below, please describe your intended use of the funds. This does not have to be detailed, or include specific costs. A high-level summary is sufficient.

Yamhill County plans to use these funds to increase awareness of resources available to veterans and their families. The goal is to support their overall social and emotional wellbeing as a means to decrease risk factors and prevent death by suicide. We plan to do this through partnership with our local Veteran's Services Office with our Public Health Suicide Prevention Coordinator to distribute relevant materials throughout the community. Specifically, we plan to share materials in person via community events or veterans services clubs, as well as use social media. We also plan to target our existing suicide prevention community trainings such as Mental Health First Aid and Question Persuade, Respond (QPR) to populations known to interface with veterans who might be able to help them access care or navigate systems issues when in need of additional support.

By signing below, I certify that I am qualified to represent my county in their request for the available suicide awareness funds. I further acknowledge understanding that the funds must all be used in calendar year 2018.

Signature:	Date: <u>6/14/18</u>
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Title: Board of Commissioners - Chair

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Board of Commissioners on  
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