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Taney County Health Department is Offering **FREE** Suicide Prevention Training
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The Taney County Health Department (TCHD) is offering **FREE** suicide prevention training. QPR is a one-hour training that teaches 3 simple steps to help save a life from suicide.

According to the Missouri Institute of Mental Health:

- Suicide is the 9th leading cause of death in Missouri.
- Suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death among youth/young adults ages 10-17.
- Suicide rates in Missouri are highest among 25–64-year-olds.

“These Missouri statistics were eye-opening for the health department.” States Kathryn Metzger, Program Manager Community Outreach and Environmental Health Divisions. “Seeing so many preventable deaths happening in our own community made it clear that we needed to bring a suicide prevention program to the area.”

QPR is a **FREE** one-hour training that is open to anyone in the community. The training can be tailored to Veterans, Law Enforcement, Adults, and Youth.

If you or your organization are interested in QPR Training, please contact the Taney County Health Department at 417-334-4544 ext 225.

For more information contact the Taney County Health Department at 417-334-4544, visit our website at www.taneycohealth.org, or like our FaceBook, Instagram and Pinterest pages.

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