



Hello,

Since you heard from us last month, suicide has been on all of our minds. News of the suicide deaths of two celebrities in less than a week has brought attention to the public health crisis of increasing U.S. suicide rates.

Executive director Rosangela Berbert wrote to our staff recently that **the tragedy of suicide "does not 'choose' any particular segment of the population." All are affected.**

You may not know it, but as a friend of Samaritan, you are helping address this tragedy. When you refer friends to our counselors, spread the word about our Wellness Screen school-based mental health check-ups, or support Samaritan financially, you are contributing to a healthier community. **Thank you!**

Get Involved!

Promote mentally
healthy workplaces
& employees



Thank you,
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Minister effectively
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Save the Date!
Oct. 2, 2018
7:30-10:45 a.m.

Register now for the **Faith Leader Mental Health Integration Project**. This six-month series of 2-hr.

[Registration now open!](#)

EARN CREDITS in 2018
2.5 ethics CLEs for attorneys
2.5 ethics CPEs for CPAs
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Keynote Speaker
Chuck Gallagher



Chuck shares his personal story of learning the hard way about the con. Learn through him how to set the stage for your organization's ethical success.

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workshops begins **Sept. 6, 2018.**

The series illumines mental health topics relevant in ministry.

- Mental Illness 201
- Addiction
- Effective referrals
- Living in Recovery
- Community Resources
- Partnering with Mental Health Professionals

Cost for a team of two from each participating faith community is only \$150, thanks to the generosity of the International Association for Clear Thinking.

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We collaborate with NAMI Fox Valley in the Mental Health Ministry Initiative and Centro Esperanza.

A Sip of Success



You make a difference for families seeking strength and wholeness. One woman wrote to her counselor:

"You helped us blend our family. You gave us tools to utilize every day and in the elevated stress of family gatherings. This in turn made our marriage stronger. We appreciate the courage you gave us."

2017 Annual Report Coming Soon



Watch for Samaritan's 2017 Annual Report themed **Building Strength**. It will arrive in your mailbox in mid July.

Samaritan News and Needs



Oshkosh Area School District Honors Samaritan Counseling Center

The Oshkosh Area School District recently honored Samaritan with its **Friend of Education Award**. The award recognizes Samaritan's partnership with the district to screen students' mental health as part of [Rise Up](#) in 2017-18, and during previous years through [Wellness Screen](#).

[Learn more](#) about the award and how you can support youth mental health check-ups in your community.



Wellness Screen Program NEEDS YOU

Last month, Samaritan celebrated a grant from the [Shopko Foundation](#). The grant was a first step to equip the Wellness Screen team with new computers. These computers will enable the team to access cloud based records as they travel between 36 schools and care for 12,000 kids and families.

WELLNESS SCREEN NEEDS:

- \$25,000+ by August 2018 to fully fund their remaining computer needs

WELLNESS SCREEN ALSO NEEDS:

- \$5,000 to fund a Lawrence University evaluation comparing stressors/demographics of students who screen positive and negative for



Above: Executive Director Rosangela Berbert accepting the award. Middle: Wellness Screen Program Director Jen Parsons



mental health concerns. (This could help predict which students are more *at risk* - information that's **invaluable to schools, parents and the entire community.**)

Interested in investing in these needs and Wellness Screen's life-saving service? [Let Lisa Strandberg know.](#)

Thank you for considering support of [Wellness Screen](#). Together, we're making a difference that makes us all proud to call the Fox Valley home.



Thanks for your interest and investment in Samaritan. You are a hero to the clients and students who seek our care.

Sincerely,

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