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As 988 continues to be a greater part of communities around the country, it is important for jurisdictions to understand the actions States are taking to further embed 988 and strengthen their crisis care systems. In this section, find information and updates from various States detailing their plans and progress towards advancing 988 and improving crisis care within their borders.

Indiana

According to the Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA), the lifeline has shown signs of success in Indiana with monthly call rates more than doubling since its launch. [Indiana 988 Suicide Crisis Lifeline Receiving Double the Calls Each Month Since Its Launch](#) (Fox59 News)

Michigan

The grant to the Merrill Palmer Skillman Institute (MPSI) at Wayne State University aims to prevent serious emotional and behavioral problems in Detroit's young children while promoting healthy development and reducing health disparities. [\\$4M SAMHSA Grant to Support Unmet Health Needs of Detroit's Children](#) (Newswise)

South Dakota

For 988 Day, the Rapid City community hosted its first 988 Day Suicide Awareness & Memorial 5k Walk/Run. The event was put on by the Great Plains Tribal Leaders Health Board and funded in part by SAMHSA. [Rapid City's Oyate Health Using 5K to Bring Awareness to Suicide Prevention](#) (NewsCenter1)

Nevada

Funding will benefit two programs: One addressing inpatient and outpatient treatment through court programs, and the other which helps with opportunities for parents to engage in treatment services. [Clark County Court Awarded \\$4M Grant to Address Substance Abuse](#) (KSNV)

UPCOMING EVENTS

**988 Call for the Culture:
HBCU National
Initiative Meeting**

October 24

[11:30am ET](#) or [4:00pm ET](#)

[Monthly "3C" Session](#)

Third Tuesdays

2:00 – 3:00pm ET

Next: **October 15**

[988 Crisis Systems
Response: Understanding
Children, Youth & Family
Services Across the Crisis
Continuum Series; Session 2](#)

2:00 pm ET

November 14

Past events are archived at
[SAMHSA CSR TTAC](#)





September marked National Recovery Month. Recovery Month is observed to promote evidence-based treatment and recovery practices, individuals who are valiantly in recovery, and service providers who support their healing.

Resources for those in recovery are often disproportionately distributed throughout the country, with systemically marginalized communities traditionally underserved. However, some organizations across the country are working to bridge the gap between resource accessibility and vulnerable or disenfranchised populations.

One such organization is [C4 Innovations](#). Based in Massachusetts, C4 Innovations is dedicated to “advancing equitable access to recovery, wellness, and housing stability for people who are systematically marginalized” through community support, training and technical assistance, and person-centered consultation. Black and brown individuals are disproportionately jailed and imprisoned in the U.S. C4’s approach to partner with communities and law enforcement, develop plans to prevent relapse in substance use, and address the racial trauma of mass incarceration confront the reality of systematic racial disparity in the behavioral health and justice systems while developing paths to equitable solutions.

C4 Innovations is offering two online courses this fall for integrating equity in mental health and crisis care. [Equity in Action: Trauma-Informed Supervision](#) is a 4-week course beginning October 23 with an aim to teach techniques for trauma-informed relational management in the workplace. [Equity and Inclusion: Navigating Systemic Marginalization](#) is another 4-week course beginning November 14. Participants will gain an understanding of the roots and manifestations of systemic marginalization and learn tools for offering anti-racist, gender-affirming, and trauma-informed care.



For crisis counselors looking to sharpen their skills, the Suicide Prevention Resource Center (SPRC) recently launched a new online course, [Talking About Lethal Means: A Course for Crisis Counselors](#). This free, self-paced course is designed to provide crisis counselors with techniques to address and reduce access to lethal means, including drugs or firearms, during a crisis conversation. The course includes actionable strategies for talking about lethal means and information on how lethal means conversations can help decrease the need to involve emergency services.



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