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**Butler County LOSS/DOSS Volunteers**

All LOSS/DOSS volunteers must be committed to providing comfort to those impacted by suicide loss and loss from accidental overdose. Volunteers must demonstrate an understanding of the mission and values of the LOSS/DOSS team and be able to respect confidentiality of those we serve and our team members. LOSS/DOSS volunteers commit to an initial training and ongoing training as required, while they remain a volunteer. All volunteers must read, understand and abide by the Code of Conduct and by the statement of professional conduct listed below. While all volunteers will be placed in the role they desire when appropriate, volunteers will respect the decision of the Team Coordinator regarding their volunteer placement, with the understanding that it could change with training.

● Operate only within the framework of an authorized disaster response system.  
● Model healthy responses; be calm, courteous, organized, and helpful.  
● Be visible and available.  
● Maintain confidentiality as appropriate.  
● Remain within the scope of your expertise and your designated role.  
● Be knowledgeable and sensitive to issues of culture and diversity.  
● Pay attention to your own emotional and physical reactions, and practice self-care

**Scene Responders**

Individuals trained to reach out to suicide and/or drug overdose survivors. Lived experience is preferred but each volunteer will be assessed on his or her ability to fill this role physically (able to transport yourself to a scene) and emotionally. Lived experience must be no less than 2 years out. Volunteers must have a valid driver’s license and insurance and be willing to participate in monthly meetings/training and have the ability to commit to an on call schedule on a consistent basis. Volunteers must demonstrate good listening and communicating skills and an understanding of and respect for, different forms of grieving.

**Survivor Follow Up**

Same as Scene Responders with the exception of a valid driver’s license and insurance or the physical means to respond to a scene. These are not necessary for doing follow up calls.

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**Community Awareness**

Individuals trained to attend community events such as health fairs, civic groups, faith communities etc. Must understand the LOSS/DOSS mission and values, be able to share with others and encourage them to join the team. May be asked to share a personal story, but only to the extent you are comfortable. This is not mandatory for the position. Must have reliable transportation. Must be able to attend meetings as required.

**Fundraising**

Same as Community Awareness in addition to public speaking skills and previous experience with fundraising. Must be able to attend meeting as required.

**Administrative Support Volunteer**

Must be able to commit to a time and be present for that time.  Must be able to follow directions and work well with others. Includes filling scene responder resource folders, survivor care packages, writing/sending support cards or newsletter. Must be able to attend meetings as required.

**Scene Activation Team Volunteer**

Individuals go through the full one-day initial training to understand the mission and values of the LOSS/DOSS team. Additional training to learn the scene response protocol for activating the LOSS/DOSS team. Individuals scheduled for shifts within the 24/7 on-call schedule for activating the LOSS/DOSS team to the scene of a suicide or accidental drug overdose. Scheduled shifts based on individual availability.