

# Construction Suicide Prevention

An initiative backed by OSHA and leading industry safety professionals to save lives with information and education



**CONSTRUCTION SUICIDE  
PREVENTION WEEK**



## ***What's our WHY?***

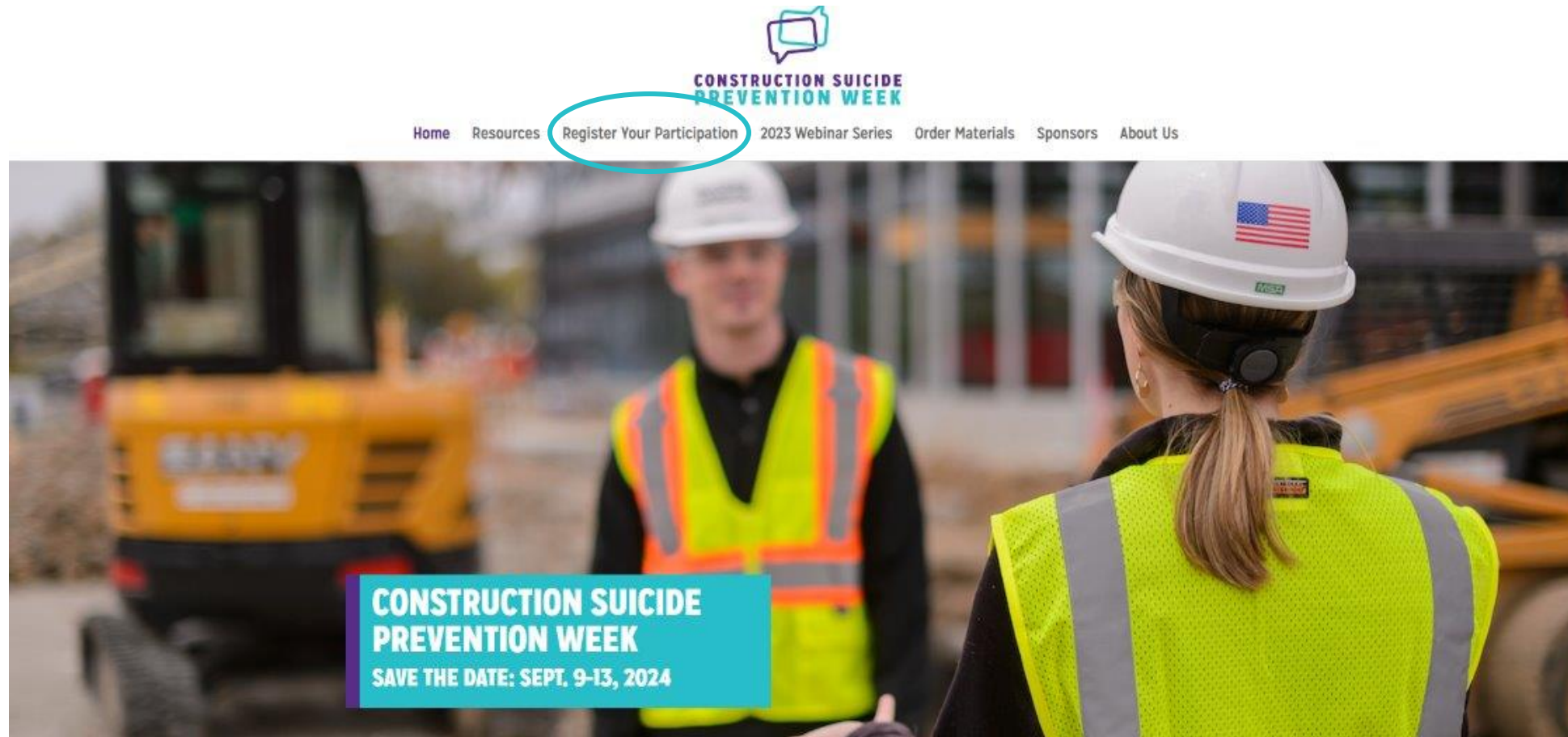
*With approximately 7.5 million people employed in construction in the U.S. and far more worldwide, people need access to the tools that could save a life and reverse the trend that has placed construction as an industry with one of the highest rates of death by suicide.*

# About us

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- In 2020, a mission-driven group of volunteers from across the construction industry came together with one goal: to save lives. They collaborated to launch the inaugural Construction Suicide Prevention Week – a week dedicated to raising awareness about the high number of suicides in the industry, and to provide resources to help prevent those deaths.
- Every year, during September – National Suicide Prevention Month – the construction industry dedicates a week to raising awareness about the unique challenges workers face in construction, how it can lead to suicide, and what we can do to prevent it. Together, we can save lives.

# Register your organization's participation in CSPW



# *By the numbers: 2023 participation*

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**508** companies participated

2022 = 388 companies

2021 = 107 companies

Companies represented **47** states and territories

**281,296** workers participated

2022 = 226,164 workers

2021 = 68,000 workers



# *Locations participating, by state*

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Alabama	8	Mississippi	4
Arizona	10	Missouri	33
Arkansas	2	Montana	2
California	34	Nebraska	2
Colorado	11	Nevada	4
Connecticut	2	New Hampshire	2
Delaware	3	New Jersey	14
District of Columbia	4	New Mexico	4
Florida	18	New York	57
Georgia	12	North Carolina	3
Guam	1	North Dakota	1
Hawaii	1	Ohio	24
Idaho	2	Oklahoma	2
Illinois	26	Oregon	17
Indiana	12	Pennsylvania	19
Iowa	7	Puerto Rico	2
Kansas	16	Rhode Island	3
Louisiana	5	South Carolina	5
Maine	1	Tennessee	7
Maryland	5	Texas	31
Massachusetts	9	Utah	8
Michigan	12	Virginia	18
Minnesota	8	Washington	18
		Wisconsin	19

# 2024 campaign updates

Alabama	6
Alaska	2
Arizona	4
Arkansas	1
Armed Forces Pacific	1
California	10
Colorado	14
Connecticut	1
Delaware	1
Distri ct of Columbia	5
Florida	7
Georgia	5
Guam	2
Hawaii	2
Idaho	2
Illinois	10
Indiana	1
Iowa	10
Kansas	7
Kentucky	1
Maine	3
Maryland	3
Massachusetts	4
Michigan	6
Minnesota	7
Missouri	12
Nebraska	2
Nevada	5
New Jersey	13
New Mexico	3
New York	11
North Carolina	3
Ohio	12
Oregon	4
Pennsylvania	7
South Carolina	2
South Dakota	2
Tennessee	3
Texas	11
Utah	5
Virginia	8
Washington	9
Wisconsin	9

- ❑ **2024 participation registration so far:** *(as of July 15)*
  - ❑ 241 companies have registered for the 2024 campaign
  - ❑ 117,307 workers are represented by those companies
  - ❑ See list of states represented on the left.



# Supply store

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Silicone Wrist Band

\$0.65



Hard Hat Decal

\$2.30



Construction Suicide Prevention Magnet

\$1.10


## **Items you can order include:**

- Lifeline items (wristbands, magnets and stickers)
- T-shirts (customizable with company logo for Presenting and Cornerstone sponsors)
- Hats
- Drinkware
- Job site banners (customizable with company logo for Presenting and Cornerstone sponsors)



# Resources available

## TOOLBOX TALK CONSTRUCTION AND SUICIDE



You know the dangers that come from working on a job site, we talk about them often during Toolbox Talks, but what about those that lurk when you're off the job?

Suicide is one of our industry's "best kept secrets," and it's killing us. Literally.

### BY THE NUMBERS


- In multiple years, the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) found construction and extraction was the no. 1 occupational group with male suicides (15% in 2012, 16% in 2015)
- In the general population, suicide occurs in 27 out of every 100,000 people. In construction, the number is closer to [53 suicides per 100,000 workers](#).
- In the U.S., a construction worker dies by suicide once every 12 minutes. Another way to look at it: [123 of us die from suicide each day](#).

### WHY IT MATTERS

September is Suicide Awareness Month, and Sept. 5-9 is Construction Suicide Prevention Week, so we want to do everything in our power to help save our fellow teammates. Throughout, we'll be sharing tools and resources to stamp out the stigma of asking for help, and possibly help save some lives in the meantime.

### GOOD TO KNOW

- [National Suicide Prevention Lifeline](#): 800-273-TALK (8255)
- As of July 16, you can also call, text, or chat [988](#) to reach the lifeline's trained counselors directly.



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Find resources at [construction suicideprevention.com](https://www.construction suicideprevention.com).

- ❑ Toolbox Talks (now in Spanish!)
- ❑ Participant Guide
- ❑ Stand-down agenda
- ❑ Suggested social media posts
- ❑ Speaker sourcing guide
- ❑ Crisis resources
- ❑ Email and social media communications
- ❑ Webinar series recordings

# Check out our Spanish translated resources!

## RESOURCES FOR CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYERS

The construction industry has the second highest rate of suicide in the United States at 53.3 per 100,000 workers according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC). In the U.S. there are approximately 123 suicides per day that breaks down to one death every 12 minutes. (SafeBuild Alliance)

It will take all of us to prevent suicide. Luckily, there are many resources to help employers effectively support mental wellness among their workers or use for content to hold a stand-down or other event with your employees.

Videos	Toolbox Talks	Helpful Links
<b>TOOLBOX TALKS FROM CONSTRUCTION SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK (ENGLISH)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Construction and suicide</li><li>• Reducing stigma</li><li>• Recognize warning signs</li><li>• How to listen</li><li>• How to seek help</li><li>• Lethal means safety</li></ul>		
<b>TOOLBOX TALKS FROM CONSTRUCTION SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK (SPANISH)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Construcción y suicidio</li><li>• Reducir el estigma</li><li>• Reconocer señales de advertencia</li><li>• Cómo escuchar</li><li>• Cómo buscar ayuda</li></ul>		

# 2024 National Stand-Down

## **NATIONAL STAND-DOWN** **CONSTRUCTION SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK 2024**



### **Monday, Sept. 9**

Join us for a moment of silence at:

2:50 p.m. Eastern  
1:50 p.m. Central  
12:50 p.m. Mountain  
11:50 a.m. Pacific  
10:50 a.m. Alaska  
8:50 a.m. Hawaii



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