

Wellness Resources for Teens



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Crisis Hotline



Talk support



Text support



Find a therapist



Place to go

If you want to reach out for help, but you don't want a potential interaction with the police, check to see if these statements are true for you and explain to the person on the line:

- You have not done anything to initiate a suicide plan.
- You will not act on suicidal thoughts today or in the near future.
- You have supports in case you feel suicidal later.

If these 3 statements are <u>not true</u> for you <u>and</u> you don't want a potential police interaction, call this number to talk with someone: 1-877-565-8860





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SUICIDE PREVENTION

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline



The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is a national network of local crisis centers that provides free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The Lifeline is committed to improving crisis services and advancing suicide prevention by empowering individuals, advancing professional best practices, and building awareness. In English and Spanish.

Phone: 1-800-273-8255

Hours: 24/7

Website: suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Crisis Text Line



Text HOME to 741741 to connect with a Crisis Counselor

Website: www.crisistextline.org





MENTAL HEALTH

NAMI Philadelphia Helpline 🕒 끅





NAMI PHILADELPHIA is an affiliate of The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness.

The NAMI HelpLine is a free, nationwide peer-support service providing information, resource referrals and support to people living with a mental health condition, their family members and caregivers, mental health providers and the public. HelpLine staff and volunteers are experienced, well-trained and able to provide guidance.

Phone: 1-800-950-6264

or **Text** "Nami" to 741741

Hours: M-F 10am-10pm Website: namiphilly.org

Teen Line





If you have a problem or just want to talk with another teen who understands, the Teen Line is there for you. This line provides support for teens when they are facing depression, pregnancy, or other experiences.

Phone: 310-855-HOPE or 800-TLC-TEEN (nationwide toll-free)

Or **Text** "TEEN" to 839863 between 9:00pm-12:00am EST to speak with one of our teens.

Hours: 9pm to lam EST.

Inclusive Therapists Q



Seeking counseling or therapy can be a vulnerable process. People with marginalized identities face additional challenges such as micro-aggressions, prejudice, and language or financial barriers. Getting the right help can become an overwhelming task. Inclusive Therapists center the needs of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) and the 2SLGBTQIA+ community. They honor the full neurodiversity spectrum and advocate for mental health care accessibility for people with disabilities.

Website: <u>www.inclusivetherapists.com</u>



GRIEF AND ANGER SUPPORT

Uplift! Philly Hopeline





Do you or your loved ones feel lonely, stressed, sad, angry, or confused? Do you miss your friends and routines? Philly HopeLine is a free helpline sponsored by Uplift Center for Grieving Children and the School District of Philadelphia. It is staffed by Master's degree-level clinicians from Uplift, and is open to all School District of Philadelphia students & families.

Service is available in both English and Spanish.

Phone: 1-833-745-4673

Hours: M-Th 10-8pm

Location: 3300 Henry Ave, Suite 110

Website: upliftphilly.org

Youth Violence Outreach



Youth Violence Outreach provides young people who have experienced violence-related trauma with effective counseling and therapy to help them process the experience. YVO works to interrupt the cycle of violence. Their school-based work is a combination of services that provide traumainformed care directly to youth, and emphasizes outreach to adolescent males of color who have the highest rates of victimization and violent behavior.

Phone: 215-567-6776 for more information

Email: yvo@avpphila.org

Website: avpphila.org





HOUSING

Philadelphia Homeless Outreach Hotline

This homeless outreach hotline connects people experiencing homelessness or otherwise in need of housing with shelter.

Phone: 215 232-1984

Hours: 24/7

Website: www.projecthome.org

The Synergy Project





The Synergy Project Philadelphia is a Street Outreach & Emergency Services program at Valley Youth House designed to help youth 24 years-old and younger who have runaway, are experiencing homelessness and/or unstably housed.

Phone: Office: 215-295-3180, Synergy Teamline: 1-888-468-7315

M-F 9am-6pm - leave a voicemail if they don't answer.

Location: Meetup on Tuesday 12pm-3pm at 1500 Sansom Street, Philly, PA 19102

Website: www.valleyyouthhouse.org/synergy-philly-info/





HOUSING

National Runaway Safeline



The National Runaway Safeline is for youth who have runaway, are considering running away, or are homeless. Your situation is difficult and you may be feeling a wide range of emotions. The people at the Safeline are here 24/7 to help you sort those feelings out and make a plan. There is always someone available to listen and offer confidential, non-directive, and non-judgemental support. Each team member is prepared to listen to your story, help you handle a crisis and guide you to solutions that will improve your situation.

Phone: 1-800-786-2929

Website: 1800runaway.org

Covenant House



Covenant House builds a bridge to hope for young people facing homelessness or who are survivors of trafficking. They provide unconditional love, absolute respect, and relentless support. Doors are open 24/7 and high-quality programs empower young people to overcome adversity, today and in the future.

Phone: 215-951-5411

Hours: 24/7

Location: 31 E. Armat Street Philadelphia, PA 19144

Website: Covenanthouse.org

Youth Emergency Service



Youth Emergency Services offers immediate housing and respite to youth ages 12-17 facing housing insecurity or who are unable to safely live with family. YES provides a safe and supportive environment, on-site medical care, education support, youth-centered activities, links to resources, and support to continue in school or get reconnected with learning.

Phone: (215) 787-0633 or 1 (800) 371-SAFE (24/7)

Location: 1526 Fairmount Avenue, Philadelphia PA 19130

Website: <u>ysiphilly.org/youth-emergency-service</u>



RELATIONSHIP, SEXUAL HEALTH, AND ABUSE HELP

LovelsRespect + William Control LovelsRespect







LovelsRespect offers a hotline, textline and online resources to help you with issues in love relationships, and to give you immediate support in abuse situations. They also provide comprehensive healthy relationship coaching with resources including interactive webpages, toolkits, training, and curriculum for educators, peers, and parents to promote healthy relationships and prevent future abuse. They aim specifically to be a safe and inclusive space for young people to access help and information.

Phone: Hotline at 1.866.331.9474

Text: "loveis" to 22522 to chat

Website: loveisrespect.org

Women Organized Against Rape (WOAR)







WOAR provides free services to children and adults who have experienced sexual violence. Their specially trained Hotline crisis counselors provide support, answer questions, and offer referral guidance to the right services. Crisis advocates provide medical accompaniment, explain the reporting process, provide information about the criminal justice system, and connect victim/survivors to WOAR services and outside services as needed. Gender and disability inclusive.

Phone: (215) 985-3333 (24/7, call or text)

Hours: M-F 9 - 5 pm

Location: 1617 John F Kennedy Blvd., Suite 800, Philadelphia PA 19103

Website: woar.org





RELATIONSHIP, SEXUAL **HEALTH AND ABUSE HELP**

Women Against Abuse





Women Against Abuse is a 24-hour emergency safe haven that provides free services for up to 90 days to survivors of all gender identities and their children who are victims of domestic violence, along with case management, behavioral health services, childcare, amenities, round the clock security safety staff, and other supportive services. Women Against Abuse also provides transitional services and community-based case management paired with housing supports, as available.

Phone: 1-866-723-3014

Location: 100 South Broad Street, Suite 1341 Philadelphia, PA 19110

Website: womenagainstabuse.org

Planned Parenthood In



The Elizabeth Blackwell Health Center ™ at Locust Street.

Planned Parenthood provides information and services to support healthy and planned sexual activity and pregnancy, such as birth control, abortions, STD and HIV testing, and counseling services.

Phone: 215-351-5560

Hours: M-TH 8-5:30pm, F 8-4pm, Sa 8-3pm

Location: 1144 Locust Street Philadelphia, PA 19107

Website: Plannedparenthood.org



LGBTQIA+

Trans Lifeline

Hotline for trans people staffed by trans people.

Phone: 1-877-565-8860

LGBT National Youth Talk Line

Hotline for youth (up to age 25) with peer-counseling and local resources. Check online for free peer support groups.

Phone: 1-800-246-7743

Website: www.glbthotline.org

<u>Trevor Project Suicide Prevention Hotline</u>



Crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to LGBTQ youth (ages 13-24).

Phone: 1-866-488-7386

Text: Start to 678-678





LGBTQIA+

Rest for Resistance

Rest for Resistance is an online support group for QTPOC, and also offers resources and articles.

Website: restforresistance.com

Trans Teens Online Talk Group



Weekly moderated group for trans teens ages 12-19. Click Weekly Youth Chat Rooms to see the schedule!

Website: glnh.org

Mazzoni Center





The Mazzoni Center is a multi-service, community-based, health and social service provider aiming to advance the health and well-being of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) individuals. It provides services to the LGBTQ community including primary medical care, mental health counseling and substance abuse treatment services, legal services, and HIV prevention & care.

Location: 1348 Bainbridge Street Philadelphia, PA 19147

Phone: Main: (215) 563-0652, Medical: (215) 563-0658, Legal: (215) 563-0657

Website: mazzonicenter.org

Attic Youth Center





Creates opportunities for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBTQ) youth to develop into healthy, independent, civic-minded adults within a safe and supportive community. Promotes the acceptance of LGBTQ youth in society. Offers comprehensive risk counseling, HIV prevention, support groups, and case management for medical, legal and emergency services. Check the website for up to date events!

Location: 255 South 16th Street Philadelphia, PA 19102

Phone: (215) 545-4331

Website: atticyouthcenter.org



BLACK COMMUNITY

BlackLine *





BlackLine is a 24/7 Text or Call Hotline, offering a space for peer support, counseling, witnessing and affirming the lived experiences to folks who are most impacted by systematic oppression with an LGBTQ+ Black Femme Lens.

Phone: 1 (800) 604-5841

Website: callblackline.com

Black Men Heal



Black Men Heal provides access to mental health treatment, psychoeducation, and community resources to men of color. They also offer some free therapy sessions through an application process.

Website: blackmenheal.org

Spirits Up!

Spirits Up! is an organization that offers tools for personal liberation and healing through yoga, meditation, the arts, and innovative activity to support the continued work towards collective Black liberation. Spirits Up! provides safe spaces for people consistently on the frontlines for Black lives and those long suffering from systemic racial traumas.

IG: espiritsup215

Website: www.spiritsup.life



SOUTH ASIAN COMMUNITY



Helpline for South Asian/Desi LGBTQ individuals, family, and friends.

Phone: 908-367-3374

Hours: Th + Su 8pm-10pm

Website: deqh.org

<u>SAMHIN</u>





SAMHIN is a free, confidential HelpLine. When you call the SAMHIN HelpLine, you will speak with a trained staff member or a mental health clinician, who will help you get support, guidance, information and, if needed, a referral to a culturally-competent mental health clinician in your area. They can help you find local resources and navigate the mental health system.

Phone: 732-902-2561

Email: helpline@samhin.org

Hours: 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM daily





LATINX COMMUNITY

<u>Hispanic Community Counseling Center</u>



Hispanic Community Counseling Services (HCCS) is a Latino-operated, community-based, outpatient agency offering behavioral and mental health intervention services. Their main focus is the provision of culturally appropriate and recovery-oriented mental health services to the communities of North Philadelphia. Offer sliding scale counseling services for youth.

Phone: 215-425-6900 or 6901 (Kensington Ave)

or 215-291-8151 or 8152 (Allegheny Ave)

Hours: M-F 8-4pm Walk-in hours Mondays 9-3pm

Locations: 1952 E. Allegheny Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19134

3219-21 Kensington Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19134

Website: hccsphila.org

<u>Fuerza</u>



Fuerza is the youth leadership committee of Juntos. Founded in 2011 by student leaders from South Philadelphia, committee members address issues of education, labor, and immigration from a youth perspective.

Phone: 215-218-9079 EXT. 3

Email: guadalupe@vamosjuntos.org

Hours: Wednesdays at 4pm

Location: 600 Washington Ave

(2nd floor of the Saigon Maxim Shopping Center)





INVESTING IN YOU

While it is **essential** to seek help when you're going through a mental health crisis, it is also important to continuously invest in your mental health — even when you're feeling pretty good. Exploring our own forms of self care, and consistently practicing them, is foundational to a well-lived life. This will help you show up better in relationships, access more curiosity and creativity, support you through life's hurdles, and launch you to achieve your goals.

The next section offers some suggestions of ways you can nurture your mental health, both alone and in community.

This is by no means an exhaustive list, but we hope it serves as a fruitful springboard to other resources or practices that support your resilience, inner stability, and joy.



Practice mindfulness

Inner Strength Vibe

Inner Strength's free app for teens, offering a variety of mindfulness exercises and learning tools to develop strong focus and study habits, positive communication tools, inner peace, strength, and stability. Explore your favorite Inner Strength activities, challenges, and badge-earning competitions to discover more joy in your everyday experience.

Website: innerstrengtheducation.org/app/

or scan this code!





Inner Strength Mindfulness Audios

Explore Inner Strength's website for a variety of mindful listening playlists, guided meditations, informational videos, and more!

Website: innerstrengtheducation.org/teens/





Learn in community

Free Library of Philadelphia

The Free Library hosts teen craft meet ups, movie screenings, tutoring services, cooking classes, college prep and so much more! Check out their upcoming events for teens with the link below.

Website: <u>libwww.freelibrary.org/programs/teen/</u>

WHYY

WHYY is known for the educational kids programs it broadcasts on TV, but when it comes to supporting teens, they have loads more to offer including free classes and hands-on digital media training at WHYY's Philadelphia Studios.

Website: whyy.org/education/for-students/

The Franklin Institute

The Franklin Institute is one of the oldest premier centers of science, education, and development in the country. Today, it continues its dedication to public education and creating a passion for science by offering new and exciting access to science and technology in ways that would dazzle and delight its namesake. Check out their science enrichment programs, career development, cross-age mentoring, and leadership opportunities.

Website: www.fi.edu/youth-community-programs



Find your voice

Mighty Writers

Might Writers offers free writing workshops, writing spaces, writing tutors, writing contests, and 1:1 mentoring to teenagers (*in both English and Spanish*). Mighty Writers believes in the power of writing. Their battle cry, tagline, and mantra is: 'Think clearly and write with clarity.'

Website: mightywriters.org/philadelphia/

SpeakUp!

SpeakUp! enable teens to talk openly, honestly and without judgment about difficult topics and reach out for support within their homes and schools.

They believe that no matter what the problem is – stress, drugs, alcohol, depression, anxiety, relationships, social media or others – the solution always begins with realizing you are not alone and having the courage to speak up and ask for help. If you're interesting in learning how to have courageous conversations, check out their leadership opportunities, internships, and volunteering roles below.

Website: speakup.org/get-involved/



Girls Rock Philly

Girls Rock Philly believes in creating liberatory futures through song and joy. They're a youth-centered music organization dedicated to building an intergenerational community of girls, women, and trans and gender-expansive people. Through the practice of fearless expression, artistic experimentation, and collaboration, they build the confidence and leadership skills needed to transform one self and our community. Check out their Summer Rock Camp, CARE Lab, and Youth Action Council for ways to get involved.

Email: info@girlsrockphilly.org

Location: 1428 Germantown Ave, Philadelphia PA

Phone: 215-776-5246

Website: www.girlsrockphilly.org



Mentarship and community programs

Big Brothers Big Sisters

Big Brothers Big Sisters Independence enriches, encourages and empowers children to reach their highest potential through safe, one-to-one mentoring relationships.

Website: www.independencebigs.org/get-a-big/

Spiral Q

Spiral builds strong and equitable communities characterized by creativity, joy, can-do attitudes and

courage to act with self-determination.. Their work with pre-teens, teens and young adults emphasizes critical thinking and leadership development. Youth can connect with Spiral Q through volunteer opportunities and apprenticeships, or by attending their many events in the city that weave together art and resistance.

Phone: 215-222-6979

Email: community@spiralq.org

Website: www.spiralq.org/volunteering/

Galaei's SPLAT

Student Power Leadership & Activism Together

Galaei's SPLAT program works to support the empowerment and leadership development of queer youth of color through individual coaching, group support, and community engagement. They provide a safe and affirming environment where youth are coached through various issues relating to sexual health, education, employment, conflict resolution, and trauma. Group activities allow queer youth to strengthen their social support system and facilitate dialogue about how they can make an impact on their community through organizing.

Email: Corem Coreano at corem@galaei.org, or Liz Lopez at liz@galaei.org

Website: www.galaeiqtbipoc.org/splat/



Get active

Fletcher Street Riders

The Fletcher Street Urban Riding Club evolved from a century-long tradition of Urban Black Cowboys in the 'City of Brotherly Love' and one man's commitment to provide horsemanship experience in the inner-city. Located in the Strawberry Mansion neighborhood of North Philadelphia, Fletcher Street Riders remains true to its mission in engaging urban youth in equestrian sports while also teaching life skills, instilling discipline, and promoting academic excellence.

Email: info@fsurc.com

Hours: Saturday & Sunday: 8am - 2pm

Location: 2607-11 West Fletcher Street Philadelphia, PA 19132

Website: fsurc.com

Students Run Philly Style

Students Run Philly Style is a running and mentorship program for 6th-12th graders. They pair volunteer mentors with teams of students to inspire them to push themselves further than they ever imagined – to eventually complete a full or a half marathon. If you're looking for an opportunity to meet other Philly teens and participate training 3–4 times/week, fun summer events, leadership development and academic enrichment, check out the link below.

Website: studentsrunphilly.org/get-involved/





Wark with the Earth

Urban Creators

Since 2010, Urban Creators has used food, art, and education as tools to nurture resilience, self-determination, and radical imagination. Their *Life Do Grow* (LDG) space in the heart of North Central Philadelphia is a dynamic ecosystem comprised of an urban farm, public park, outdoor classroom, community marketplace, venue for artistic and cultural expression, and co-working space for businesses, artists, organizers, growers, and creators. To get involved with their organic garden or any of their creative endeavors, check out their website.

Email: operations@urbancreators.org

Location: Life Do Grow Farm, 2315 N 11th Street Philadelphia, PA, 19133

Hours: Open volunteer hours are 1st and 3rd Saturdays, from 10am-2pm

Website: <u>urbancreators.org/get-involved/</u>

Bartram's Garden

Bartram's Garden is many things to many people: a home for horticulture, the oldest surviving botanic garden in North America, an ancient riverfront, Sankofa Community Farm, high school internship programs, and a place of untold histories. At its core, it is a public park spanning nearly 50 acres in the Kingsessing neighborhood of Southwest Philadelphia, offering peace, rest, and connection. Bartram's garden's offers youth programing to build relationships with the land, the river, and one another. Connect with nature year-round through paid youth internships, family programs, school activities, and more.

Location: 5400 Lindbergh Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19143

Website: bartramsgarden.org/youth-programs/



