





## September 10, 2017

If you have lost a loved one by suicide, you are cordially invited to the World Suicide Prevention Day Candle Lighting Memorial at the Butterfly Garden, Onondaga Lake Parkway, Liverpool, NY.

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Central New York Chapter will be holding our 6th annual candle lighting memorial on **Sunday, September 10th** in observance of World Suicide Prevention Day.

We are very pleased to have CONTACT Community Services as a partner again this year as we...

- Remember our loved ones who have died by suicide
- Support survivors and people with lived experience
- To bring awareness to our community about suicide prevention

The candle lighting memorial in observance of World Suicide Prevention Day will start at 5:45 pm. This year we will be meeting in the Butterfly Garden located on Onondaga Pkwy. At 6:00 pm we will pass out candles. If you have a poem you would like to read, please email a copy to <a href="mailto:dgraham@afsp.org">dgraham@afsp.org</a>.

We will then light our candles, have a reading of our loved ones names and share a few moments of silence in memory of those we have lost to suicide. We will provide candles, but if you wish to bring your own, please feel free to do so.

This is the sixth annual candle lighting memorial hosted by the AFSP CNY Chapter, which helps to raise awareness about suicide prevention and mental health issues. The World Health Organization reports that approximately one million people worldwide die by suicide each year. This corresponds to one death by suicide every 40 seconds. The number of lives lost each year through suicide exceeds the number of deaths due to homicide and war combined.

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