



## Lethal Means Safety Subcommittee

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**Committee Members:** Co-Chair Kelie McWilliams, Co-Chair Pam Pearce, Alyssa Callender, Casey Curry, Daniell Zeigler, Debra Darmata, Galli Murray, Megan Miller, Meghan Crane, Mike James, Ryan Price, Shanda Hochstetler, Steven Schneider

**Committee Members not in Attendance:**

**Staff:** Annette Marcus (AOCMHP), Tim Glascock (AOCMHP)

**Guests:** Gordon Clay, Lois Tari



Time	Topic/Who	Notes
1:00	Welcome	Pam Pearce, Community Living Above, Substance use Prevention Mike James, ODHS Veterans Employee Resources Group (VERG) Suicide Prevention Officer Casey Curry, Retired Military Lois Tari from Columbia Co/ Columbia Health Services Gordon Clay Zie Zier Ziers white own guns zeroattempts.org At-Large Exec Committee Kelie McWilliams, Cultivating Solutions, Co-chair of this committee Meghan Crane, OHA Tim Glascock, AOCMHP
1:10	Explore current priorities for this subcommittee.	
1:30	<b>YSIPP-Start/Stop/Continue/Adjust</b>  <b>Initiative 1 Work:</b> Collaborate with the Representative Tran and other partners on safe storage legislation for the 2025 Long Session. <b>Initiative 2 Work:</b> Understand and coordinate existing efforts at both local county and larger state levels around overdose prevention efforts to ensure we are not duplicating efforts in helping to introduce Narcan and fentanyl testing	New Initiative -We are preparing an update to the Youth Suicide Intervention and Prevention Plan. This group can provide feedback to guide the updates. Are there any shifts to these initiatives? <b>Initiative 1</b> focuses on a safe storage option to bring firearms to FFLs but it got hung up in the last legislative session. Updates might include the option to use nonprofits. -Kelie shared that there may be some upcoming shifts to safe storage legislation. It was suggested to share the YSIPP and ASIPP along with a letter to explain why this is important. Kelie is willing to lead the development.

strips to schools and local public health authorities.

**Initiative 3 Work:** Monitor the lockbox project held by AOCMHP to provide support as appropriate and ensure lockboxes are distributed accessibly across the state.

-Annette shared that other committees are creating “papers” about topics to provide recommendations so this could work in this case. Annette can help with development.

-Explain who are the main impacts – Veterans and maybe LGBTQ youth. Trevor project shared that there was a 700% increase in crisis calls nationally since the election.

-Casey wondered if there is a concern if they just focus on Veterans, would that leave out a lot of communities.

-Kelie confirmed that it would be important to underline the other communities and along with the two reports, a letter can outline those impacted communities. The [YSIPP](#) and [ASIPP](#) can be found on the Alliance website. The letter could focus, not on the election, but that there are many factors that are impacting wellbeing of communities. The letter should be a recommendation to OHA and how the first initiative should be updated. The documents would be public. AFSP has offered to be an organization to do legislative pushes.

-Lois is willing to help with this. Safe storage is still an option through AOCMHP and there is a priority to county organizations. Gordon has been working with the Sheriff’s department about these options.

-The new legislation would allow a non-profit to offer safe storage, which could address barriers in smaller communities.

-Gordon shared a concern about legislation and whether it covered someone trying to help in good faith. Kelie shared that was a hang up and that there was a concern about the person receiving the gun went through a background check, that might not be necessary.

**Initiative three – Monitor lockbox project.**

-Lucina can share where lockboxes have been distributed and share about the relationship with Bi-Mart to distribute lock boxes. This includes Bi-Mart willingness to hold lockboxes.

-Is there anything you want to learn about this project or recommend to OHA?

-Annette shared that a group provided lockboxes at a Powwow that was very popular and built connections to the county. Gordon thought connecting with tribes more might be a good way to build bridges.

-Gordon expressed interest to reach folks 18-24 and Kelie offered that community colleges could be a good space to do that, especially if they drop out. The transition is challenging but important. The suicide rates go up after high school. Look at data for other populations such as Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander that might be high risk as well.

-Meghan also mentioned it would be important to consider medical billing coverage for distribution. OHP and private insurers do not current allow to bill for lockboxes or safe storage.

-Due to the cadence of the YSIPP update, which will likely happen in December. One option could be to do a special session of this group in the first couple days of December – maybe before the executive session. The group decided to meet next Friday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9 am to discuss populations for lockboxes and initiative one work.

**Initiative two -**

-There is a fentanyl tool kit in the new educational curriculum through [SB238](#). Pam wondered if there could be a presentation by the state's coordinator to find out more about the project. Pam to reach out.

-Annette wondered if the SSPS (School Safety and Prevention System) staff from ODE could share about this topic as well.

		<p>-Gordon will go to Crescent City to get more details about a display for testing equipment.</p> <p>-Pam shared the concern that testing requires testing all of a pill to determine if it is there.</p>
2:00	<p>Roundtable – Share work of interest related to reducing access to lethal means</p>	<p>-Annette was invited to the taskforce on <a href="#">Community Safety and Firearm Suicide Prevention</a> committee to do a presentation and wondered if anyone would like to help present. Gordon and Casey were open to reviewing and Casey is willing to attend.</p>
2:15	<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>-Gordon wanted to confirm the length of the meetings. They will be set for an hour and fifteen minutes.</p>