Paige Olsen Silver Valley Economic Development Corp. Project Uplift





## Project Overview



- SILVER VALLEY CARES
  - Nonprofit organization dedicated to bringing mental health resources and awareness to the Valley
  - Community Trainings
  - Online Resources
  - Annual Event

# Why are we doing it?

- Shoshone County mental health demographics
  - Ranked 42 out of 43 counties in the State of Idaho
    - Major factors being lack of access to quality care, education, community safety, family and social support
      - Primary Care Physicians 3,230:1
      - Mental Health Providers 850:1

#### **Health Factors**

Many things influence how well and how long we live. Health Factors represent those things we can improve to live longer and healthier lives. They are indicators of the future health of our communities.

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#### **Health Outcomes**

Health Outcomes tell us how long people live on average within a community, and how much physical and mental health people experience in a community while they are alive.

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### Partners and their roles



- Listening Sessions through mental health initiative
- Initial funding partner



- Gem State Mental Health Initiative
- Pay members

- Local and regional businesses and foundations



## How can other communities do this?



Find a group who CARES



AmeriCorps has other public health initiatives in other states. LOOK INTO IT!



Just do SOMETHING!

## How the project is sustained

- Grants and donations
  - Under 501c3 umbrella NON PROFIT STATUS IS KEY!

Group of people who are passionate about the cause

## Overall community benefit













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