

# SUICIDE IN PINELLAS: THE FACTS

DEVELOPED ON BEHALF OF THE ZERO SUICIDE PARTNERS OF PINELLAS

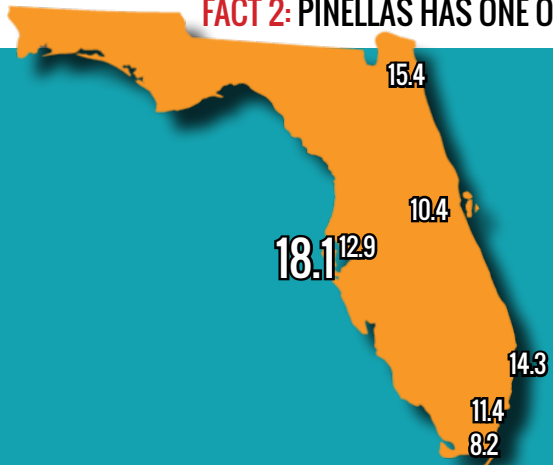
## FACT 1: SUICIDE IS A MAJOR CONCERN FOR PINELLAS COUNTY

A recent Community Health Assessment conducted by the Florida Department of Health in Pinellas County identified suicide as a **top health priority**



## FACT 2: PINELLAS HAS ONE OF THE HIGHEST SUICIDE RATES COMPARED TO OTHER LARGE COUNTIES

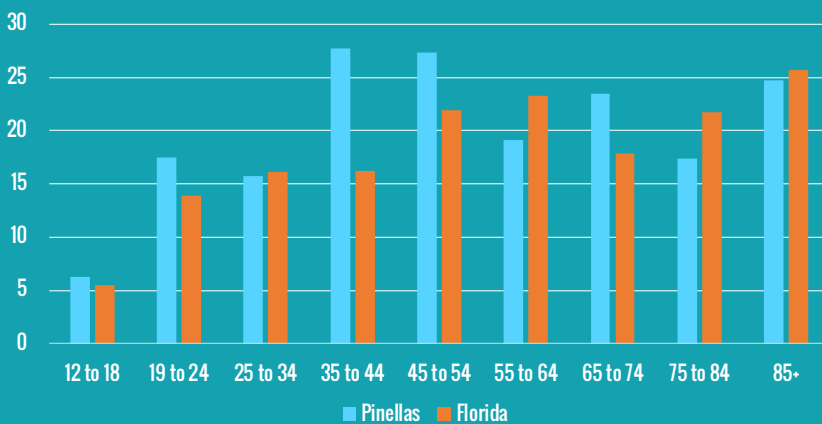
Pinellas has the **highest** suicide rates compared to other large counties, such as Broward, Duval, Hillsborough, Miami-Dade, Orange, and Palm Beach



**18.1** per 100,000 is higher than the state average (14.1)

## FACT 3: PINELLAS SUICIDE RATES ARE TRENDING HIGHER THAN THE STATE AVERAGE FOR ALMOST ALL AGE GROUPS

Pinellas Suicide Rates by Age (2017)

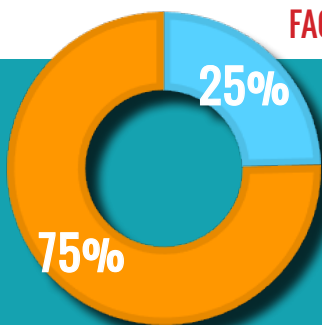


Suicide rates among Pinellas males are nearly

**3 x higher**  
than Pinellas females



## FACT 4: PINELLAS YOUTH ARE AT THE FOREFRONT OF THIS ISSUE



Yes  
No

**25%**  
of surveyed Pinellas high schools students reported having **seriously thought** about killing themselves in a 2017 Youth Health Survey

**FACT 5: SEEKING HELP IS A CHOICE THAT EMBODIES YOUR STRENGTH. SPEAK UP IF YOU ARE STRUGGLING. CALL THE NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE AT 1-800-273-8255 FOR 24/7, FREE & CONFIDENTIAL SUPPORT.**