



**American
Foundation
for Suicide
Prevention**

Illinois



WALK INFORMATION

Date & Time: Saturday, September 22, 2018. **Check-in/registration will open at 9:00 a.m. and the walk will start at 11:00 a.m.** It is recommended to arrive early to check-in, register and enjoy the activities and program. *Event will take place rain or shine!*

Location: Arvey Field – Grant Park located at Columbus Drive and Roosevelt Road in Chicago, IL. *The Google Maps address is 1501 S. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL 60605.*

Registration: Online registration closes at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, September 21. There is no fee to register. *You can register in person at the walk starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Registration tent.*

Donations: Donations can be turned in at the Check-In and Registration tents. *Donations are 100% tax deductible. We will continue to accept donations through December 31, 2016.*

Parking/Transportation:

Public Transportation: Take the 'L' to the Roosevelt stop or one of the Michigan Avenue buses to Roosevelt. Visit www.transitchicago.com to plan your trip.

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Site Map: Click [here](#) to view last year's site map.

Walk Route: The walk route is about 3.5 miles long. If the route is too long, walkers are welcome to turn around at any point. Click [here](#) for the route map.

Pets: Pets are NOT allowed at the walk (on-site or on the route). *Service dogs covered under the Americans with Disabilities Act are permitted at the walk.*

Safety Note: Skateboards, scooters, wagons and bikes are prohibited for the safety of all walkers.

Medical: An advanced life support ambulance will be on-site and along the route.

Red & Blue Ribbon Tent: There will be two separate tents for the \$500+ fundraisers depending on their fundraising level (see below).

- ❖ **\$500-\$999** - Red Ribbon Walker. Receive a red ribbon and complimentary gift bag.
- ❖ **\$1,000+** - Blue Ribbon Walker. Receive a blue ribbon and complimentary gift bag.

Mental Health Services Tent: This tent will be located on-site for any walkers looking to speak with a mental health professional.

Beads of Courage: The beads will be available on-site and you can choose your color(s) to show your personal connection and identify with others who understand your experience. See next page.

What's Your Color?

Losing someone to suicide or struggling with a mental illness can feel like no one understands what you are going through. Each color shows our personal connection to the cause and helps us identify others who understand our experience.

White	Loss of a Child
Red	Loss of a Spouse or Partner
Gold	Loss of a Parent
Orange	Loss of a Sibling
Purple	Loss of a Relative or Friend
Silver	Loss of a First Responder/Military
Green	A Personal Struggle or Attempt
Blue	Supporting Suicide Prevention
Teal	A Friend or Family Member of Someone Who Struggles or Has Attempted

Why I Walk Wall: Share your story, leave a message of hope or anything you want to share with walkers. This will be located as a tent wall at the Remembrance Tent.

Memorial Wall: If you are a survivor of suicide loss, we encourage you to bring a non-returnable photo of your loved one to the event to add to the Memorial Wall. This will be located as a tent wall at the Remembrance Tent.

Step & Repeat: Take photos with family and friends to remember your special day together. A photographer will be available but also have your phones ready!

AFSP Store: Looking for AFSP merchandise? The store will have a variety of items for sale so bring your cash, check or credit card!

Water: Water will be provided in the 'Hydration Tent'.

Food Trucks: More information coming soon!

Social Media: Don't forget to tag us on social media when checking in or tagging photos. We will also have a SnapChat filter for the site and walk route. Be sure to use it on walk day!



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