WARNING SIGNS: POTENTIAL SUICIDE

BEHAVIORAL WARNING SIGNS

- · Talking about wanting to die or kill oneself
- Searching for ways to die (e.g., online or access to means)
- · Withdrawing from friends, family, and activities
- · Drastic changes in sleeping or eating habits
- Giving away prized possessions
- · Increased use of alcohol or drugs
- · Acting recklessly or engaging in risky behavior
- Sudden calmness or relief after a period of depression

EMOTIONAL WARNING SIGNS

- Hopelessness ("Nothing will ever get better")
- · Feeling trapped, like there's no way out
- · Extreme mood swings
- · Intense anger, guilt or shame
- · Feeling like a burden to others
- · Lack of interest or pleasure in anything

SITUATIONAL WARNING SIGNS

- · Recent loss (death, breakup, job)
- History of abuse or trauma
- · Major illness or chronic pain
- · Exposure to another's suicide

If you suspect someone may be considering suicide, do not ignore it. Always reach out with caution, compassion, and care... their life may depend on it!

