



Mission Statement

The purpose of the Josh Platzer Society is to educate British Columbia youth and the people around them about suicide prevention.

Fund History

The Josh Platzer Memorial Fund was set up in September 2000, a year after the tragic death of fifteen-year-old Josh Platzer.



Facts about teen suicide:

- Second leading cause of death between ages 15-24 years, after car crashes.
- Teen/youth suicide rates have tripled since 1970.
- For every suicide death there are an estimated 30-50 attempts.
- 1/3 of teens who have died by suicide have made one or more previous attempts.
- Due to stigma of suicide, statistics are likely to be underestimated.
- 4 times as many males die by suicide than females.



Behaviour which may signal that someone is contemplating suicide:

- Change in eating habits.
- Unusual lack of energy.
- Dropping out of classes and hobbies previously enjoyed.
- Mood swings.
- Difficulty sleeping.
- Low self esteem.
- Self-inflicted wounds.
- Substance abuse.
- Giving away possessions.
- Talk of death.
- Impulsive behaviour.
- Hopelessness and anger at the world.

Please Support Us

The Josh Platzer Society is a non profit organization and your donation is greatly appreciated.

Donations may be made to the Josh Platzer Memorial Fund by cheque to:

The Josh Platzer Society for Teen Suicide Prevention and Awareness.

3294 West 37th Ave.
Vancouver, BC
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OR ONLINE at

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A receipt will be issued for tax purposes.

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