

**DENTON COUNTY** 

# LOSS TEAM

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WHAT IS LOSS TEAM?

## LOCAL <u>O</u>UTREACH TO <u>SUICIDE SURVIVORS</u>

- A Denton County Resource established in 2015
- 17 Volunteers, 1 full time Coordinator, & 1 PRN
  Coordinator
- Funded by 5 grants, donations, and fundraising efforts





OUR RESPONSES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY

### DENTON COUNTY LOSS



### **On-Scene Response**

- Immediate response
- Absorb the emotionality at the scene
- Offers practical assistance



### **Delayed Visit**

- Helps process grief
- Provides community referrals



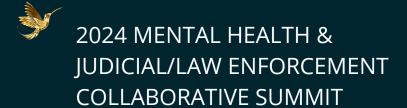
#### **Phone Follow Ups**

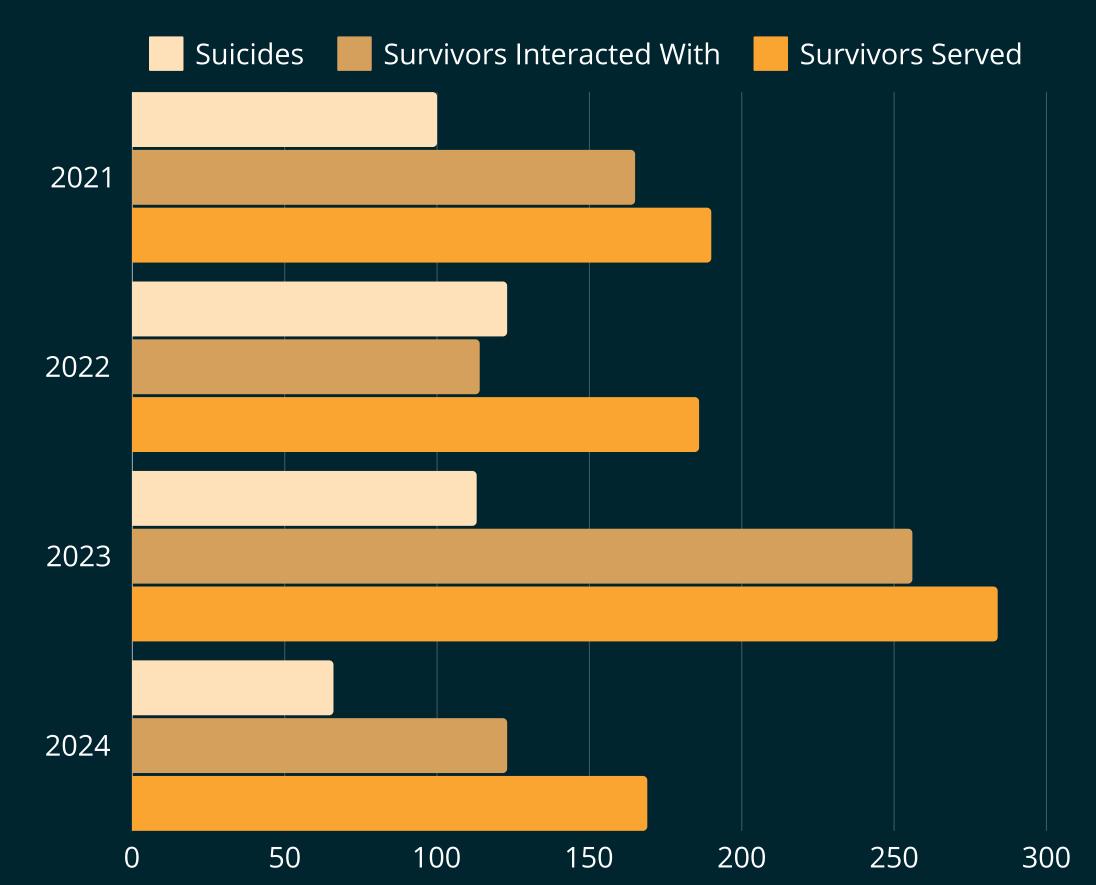
- Initial, 1 month, 3 month, 6 month, 9 month, 1 year, 1 & 1/2 years, 2 years
- Continuation of support



### **Community Outreach**

- Destigmatize mental health and suicide
- Suicide Prevention
- Provides resources





WHY IS LOSS IMPORTANT?

## LOSS IMPACT IN DENTON COUNTY

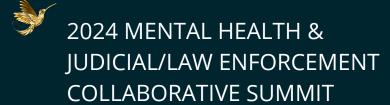
### Kaylee Brooke Maddux May 19, 1994 - April 5, 2019



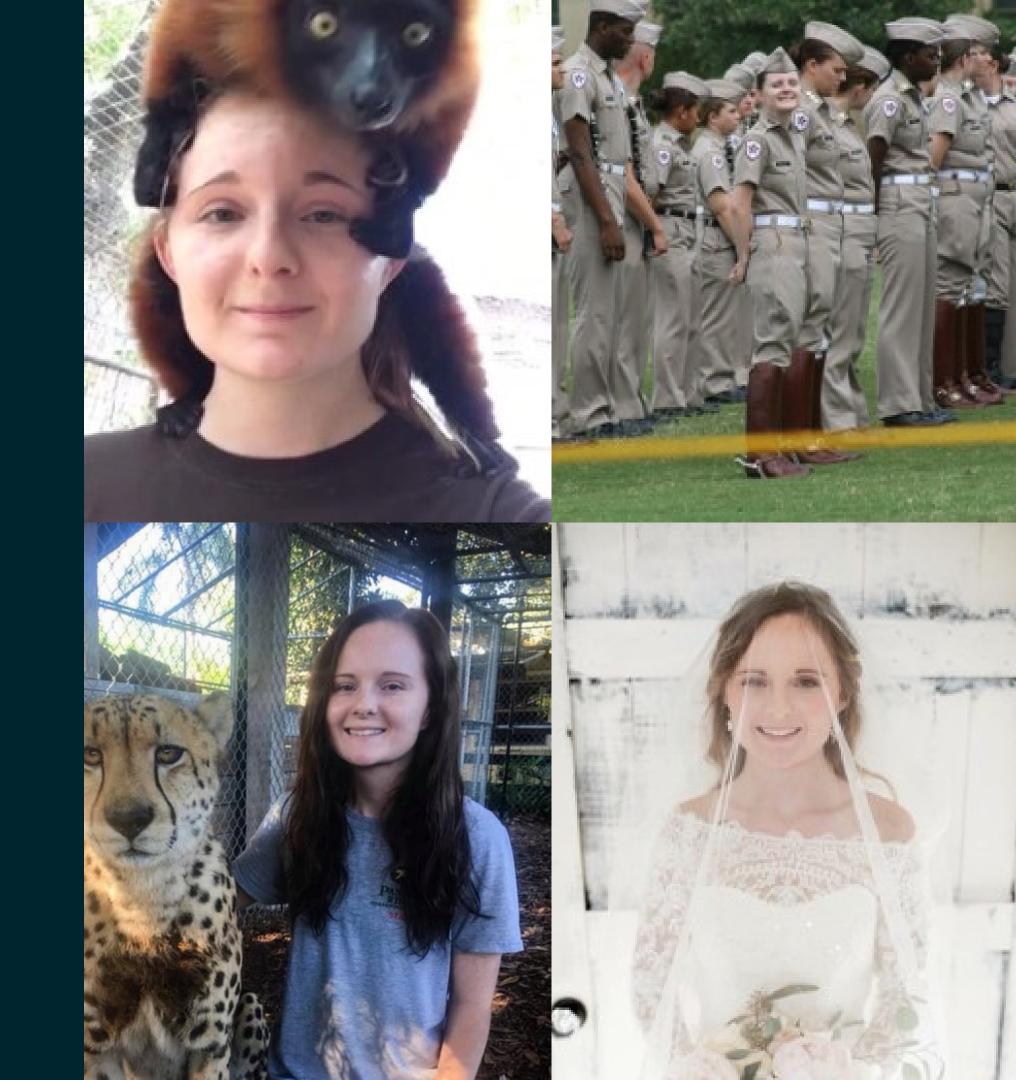
### KAYLEE'S STORY

- 2nd oldest child
- Mom and Dad married for almost 30 years
- Solid education, normal childhood, Christ follower at early age, grew up in the Church
- Had a deep love for music and especially animals from an early age
- She could also be very moody and "seemed sad" very often





- Graduated in 2016 from Texas A&M with a BS in Sociology.
  - Member of Fighting Texas Aggie Band.
- Married in November 2017
- Living her dream as a zookeeper, loved animals, all water sports, ice skating, photography, and camping trips with family.



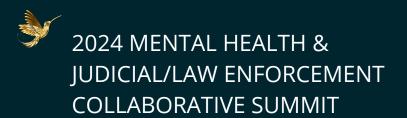


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### WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO

"I remember LOSS showing up in that moment and it meant so much to hear from another survivor. Many others say they're sorry for my loss, but hearing it from that survivor felt different."

- LOSS 2024 Survivor -



### HOW CAN YOU HELP

- 1) Volunteer
- 2) Refer
- 3) Spread the word

The relationship of the survivor to the deceased does not determine the impact.

### THANK YOU





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