# Project Safety Net and Youth Partners

Youth Mental Wellness Through and Past COVID-19: Tackling Stress, Burn-out, and Communication Challenges

> Virtual Youth Convening June 18, 2020 3:30 - 5:00 pm



#### Youth Convening Housekeeping

- Video's optional
- Mics muted in the main session if not speaking
- Use chatbox for questions and comments
- Please save thoughts and questions for small group discussions



#### Safe and Brave Space Agreements

What's said here, stays here. What's learned here, leaves here.

- Respect one another's experiences
- Let others speak be patient
- Make space for others to talk (Step back, step up)
- Honor silence
- Use I statements... "I feel"



# Welcome and Introductions

# Meghna Singh, she/her

University of Michigan second-year undergraduate student Past Reach Out, Care, Know (ROCK) Co-President at Gunn HS



#### **Youth Steering Committee**

Abigail Milne, she/her Angel Nwosu, she/her Anya Lassila, she/her Christina Chen, she/her Erica Cardozo, she/her Grace Williams, she/her Gwyn Wong, she/her Hanna Suh, she/her Hannah Zhang, she/her Helena Cirne, she/her

Kate Williams, she/her Kelly Yu, she/her Langston Wu, he/him Phoebe Kim, she/her Meghna Singh, she/her Shannon Yang, she/her Vardaan Shah, he/him

Jimmy Nguyen, he/him Molly Wallner, she/her Peying Lee, she/her



### Support from PSN Leadership

Adam Howard

CITY OF PALO ALTO COMMUNITY SERVICES

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COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA'S SUICIDE & CRISIS SERVICES AND SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAM

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PALO ALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ALUM

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COUNSELING AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR YOUTH (CASSY)

Pastor Paco Lopez

PENINSULA BIBLE CHURCH

Mary Gloner

PROJECT SAFETY NET



## **PSN Mission Statement**

Project Safety Net mobilizes community support and resources in Palo Alto for youth suicide prevention and mental wellness. We are a coalition working on community education, outreach, and training; access to quality youth mental health services; and policy advocacy.

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## **PSN Vision Statement**

Young people are empowered, in partnership with the whole community, to advocate for themselves and their peers. Youth suicide is ended. Stigma is nonexistent, and high-quality mental health services are culturally-relevant, accessible, and well-utilized. We envision a community where youth and young adults feel safe, supported, and accepted.



#### Agenda

- 3:30 Welcome and Introductions
- 3:40 Guided Meditation
- 3:45 Minding our Mental Health During COVID-19
- 4:15 Connecting, Supporting, and Exercising Mental Wellness
- 4:50 Closing and Thank You



#### **Guided Meditation**

# Helena Cirne she/her

Columbia University second-year undergraduate student Past Reach Out, Care, Know (ROCK) Leader at Gunn HS



Moderated by Shannon Yang she/her

University of Oxford second-year undergraduate student Gunn High School alum



<b>Phoebe Kim</b> she/her	Palo Alto High School Member of Bring Change 2 Mind and Youth Community Service-Youth Connectedness Initiative
<b>Langston Wu</b> he/him	Gunn High School Member of Teen Library Advisory Board - City of Palo Alto Library
<b>Abigail Milne</b> she/her	Woodside Priory High School Member of Teen Library Advisory Board - City of Palo Alto Library
<b>Lisa Miller</b> she/her	Program Manager, Counseling and Support Services for Youth (CASSY)



Phoebe Kim,	Langston Wu,	Abigail Milne,	Lisa Miller,
she/her	he/him	she/her	she/her

How has COVID-19 impacted your mental health? What has been challenging?

What have you learned about mental health during this time of COVID-19?



Phoebe Kim,	Langston Wu,	Abigail Milne,	Lisa Miller,
she/her	he/him	she/her	she/her

How can we help with suicide prevention during time of COVID-19? How to help friends with their mental health?

Describe a positive experience you've had in shelter-in-place?



**Connecting, Supporting, and Exercising Mental Wellness** Small Group Discussion Instructions

#### 4 small break-out groups, 30 minutes

Discussion and Art

- Supportive adults who can provide mental health support
- 1 minute timer before regrouping in Main Room
  - Please note: Return to Main Room versus Leave Meeting

#### Discussion Questions

1) Introductions and What's something that stood out to you from the guided meditation or panel perspectives?

2) What supports do you need to advance youth well-being and suicide prevention?



#### **Connecting, Supporting, and Exercising Mental Wellness** Small Group Facilitators and Supportive Adults

Room	Discussion	Art	Supportive Adult
1	<b>Abigail Milne</b> she/her	<b>Grace Williams</b> she/her	Paco Lopez, he/him High School Pastor, Peninsula Bible Church
2	<b>Shannon Yang</b> she/her	<b>Hannah Zhang</b> she/her	Mary Gloner, she/her Executive Director, Project Safety Net Jimmy Nguyen, he/him YCI Youth Program Coordinator, Youth Community Service
3	<b>Christina Chen</b> she/her	<b>Erica Cardozo</b> she/her	Jasmine Lopez, she/her Coordinator, Santa Clara County Suicide Prevention Program
4	<b>Phoebe Kim</b> she/her	<b>Kate Williams</b> she/her	Lisa Miller, she/her Program Manager, CASSY Molly Wallner, she/her Teen Librarian, City of Palo Alto Library

## Wellness Resources from Youth Steering Committee

#### WELLNESS RESOURCES

#### LEARN MORE



National Alliance on Mental Illness https://nami.org/Home

Provides advocacy, education, support and public awareness so that all individuals and families affected by mental illness can build better lives.

#### Mental Health First Aid Training by ECCAC

https://www.mentalhealthfirstaid.org/take-a-course/find-a-course/ or call 408 248 4636 Find courses to help you learn more about mental health and substance abuse challenges.

#### Sources of Strength https://sourcesofstrength.org/

"Covid-19 Resources" features wellness plans and self-care activities.



#### **Crisis Text Line**

Text Home to 741741 Free, anonymous, 24/7 support by a trained Crisis Counselor,



#### Project Safety Net Announcements

Please help shape future programming by completing our evaluation survey

In the follow-up e-mail!



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Contact psnpaloalto@gmail.com

#### psnpaloalto.org

You can follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram @psnpaloalto



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