

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Buckelew Programs brings Community Events for Suicide Prevention Month to the North Bay.**

San Rafael, August 27<sup>th</sup> 2018

Buckelew Programs is partnering with the Sonoma County Office of Education and St. Joseph Health for suicide prevention and stigma reduction in September with two live events in Sonoma County. On Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 7pm, Buckelew Programs will be screening, [Not Alone](#), a documentary about teen suicide prevention, by Kiki Goshay. A pre-screening filmmaker's reception starts at 5:30pm on the patio at the Finley Center in Santa Rosa (special tickets required). After the film, a community forum moderated by Tamara Player, CEO of Buckelew Programs, will feature Kiki Goshay and Kali, one of the students from the film. Proceeds from this event benefit the North Bay Suicide Prevention Hotline, a service of Buckelew Programs in partnership with local county behavioral health departments and partially supported by The Mental Health Services Act. Tickets are available here <http://bit.ly/SpreventionSR2>. Teachers, therapists, parents and students welcome! Scholarships are available for families in need. Please call 415.209.4153

The month wraps up in Sonoma County with an author's reading on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm by Lee Daniel Kravetz from his book, **Strange Contagion**; inside the science of infectious behaviors and viral emotions and what they tell us about ourselves. It was written in response to a string of teen suicides by train in Palo Alto beginning in 2009. Following the reading, Lee will moderate a panel of mental health and youth experts, answering community questions on the topic of suicide prevention. This event is held at and supported by Copperfield's in Montgomery Village, Santa Rosa. Free advance tickets available here. <http://bit.ly/StrangeContagionSR>

For additional questions about Buckelew Programs, partner opportunities and donations please contact Director of Development, Katrin Ciaffa, (415) 491-5705 or [katrinc@buckelew.org](mailto:katrinc@buckelew.org)

### **About Buckelew Programs**

Buckelew Programs, who staffs and runs the North Bay Suicide Prevention Hotline, helps people in Marin, Sonoma, Napa, Mendocino, and Lake counties with mental health, addiction, and related behavioral health challenges lead healthier, more independent lives, strengthening families and communities in the process. Founded in 1970, Buckelew Programs provides a wide range of services for nearly 10,000 adults and children each year. To learn more, visit [www.buckelew.org](http://www.buckelew.org).###