



**Grief Alliance of Michigan
Livingston County**

Dear Friend,

We wanted to reach out to introduce ourselves to you. We are the Grief Alliance of Michigan, a newly formed organization of grief support providers that support grievers in Livingston County.

Our alliance is a network of community organizations, professional grief providers, and individuals. Our members include those who facilitate grief support groups, work for hospice, work for funeral homes, run grief support charities, provide grief counseling, and are studying to become grief therapists. We share a passion for supporting those who are grieving and believe that we can do more together. We are dedicated to the collaboration, communication, and collection of shared resources to better serve those who are living with grief.

We are hosting an event that may be of interest to you. On October 7th, from 1 to 4 pm we will be at Howell High School for an event called "Coming Together in Grief." During this event attendees will have a chance to visit booths and learn more about our organization as well as other grief support that is available in the area. There will be a screening of the movie "Speaking Grief," which focuses on the idea that grief is an universal experience rather than something that needs to be fixed. This powerful film is validating for those who are already grieving, and illuminating for those who wish to support others in grief. We invite attendees to stay after the film for a panel composed of leaders in grief support from around the community. We will discuss what the community is doing well to support grievers, what challenges still remain, and what we will do next. This is a wonderful opportunity for those who are grieving to learn more about the resources in our community and have a say in what would be helpful to them.

The Grief Alliance of Michigan is open to anyone who serves those in grief, including support group facilitators, hospice workers, counselors, therapists, clergy, funeral directors, nurses, doctors, librarians, senior center directors, social service agency employees, police officers, etc. Alliance meetings will be held monthly, and provide the chance for members to learn more about grief, share their own resources and events, network with other members, and collaborate on community action. There is no fee to join and all who are passionate about grief support are welcome. An application to join is available on our website: griefalliancemi.com

We invite you to visit our website, where you can find information about our organization, grief support resources in the community and information about upcoming events.

If you have any questions or comments, or would like to participate in the "Coming Together in Grief" event please feel free to reach out to us.

Your friends,

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