# HAVEN OVERVIEW AND TIMELINE

Helping to Alleviate Valley Experiences Now (HAVEN) helps Black churches leverage a strong history of supporting community youth to promote mental health in Black youth. HAVEN fosters social connections and enhances coping skills to prevent problems like depression and suicidal behaviors.

### STEP 1: CHURCH LEADERS AND HAVEN =CONNECT COLLABORATION

- Church leaders and HAVEN personnel plan for implementing HAVEN into existing church activities, structures, and strengths.
- Two "champions" from the church are identified to lead planning.





### STEP 2: INTRODUCTION OF HAVEN = CONNECT TO CHURCH COMMUNITY

- Introduce HAVEN concepts during a sermon
- Facilitate interest and participation in the trainings

### **STEP 3: =CONNECT TRAININGS**

- Strengthen key resiliency factors of Kinship, Purpose, Guidance, and Balance, both individually and within the church community.
- Focus on **peer sharing** and building up **connections** within the group.



### **CONNECT Training**

## Participants

### **Details**

Youth

- 9th grade-recent HS graduates
- 2-4 Adult Facilitators from church to participate
- Three 1.5 hour sessions
- Pre-training and follow up meetings for Adult Facilitators

Adult

• Ages 19+

- 2 hour training
- Follow-up booster training (optional)



#### STEP 4: INTEGRATION INTO CHURCH COMMUNITY

Continue to integrate the 4 Cores into naturally occurring church activities such as bible studies, Sunday school lessons, sermons, and community activities.

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