



## **Injury and Violence Prevention Program**

### ***June 2014***

Injuries and violence are a significant cause of disability and the third leading cause of death in Washington State. Injuries cause 74 percent of the deaths for people ages 15 – 24. In 2010, injury and violence accounted for over 32 percent of all lost years of productive life before age 65. Injuries do not occur at random, but in highly predictable patterns. Risk factors and high-risk populations are identifiable. Because of this, many injuries can be prevented.

The goal of our program is to eliminate preventable death and disability due to injury and violence in Washington by changing social and cultural norms. We identify prevention priorities based on state injury data; we then develop and implement best practice interventions. We work with local partners prevention programs such as motor vehicle safety, older adult falls, unintentional poisoning, childhood injuries, drowning, suicide and sexual violence.

### **Services**

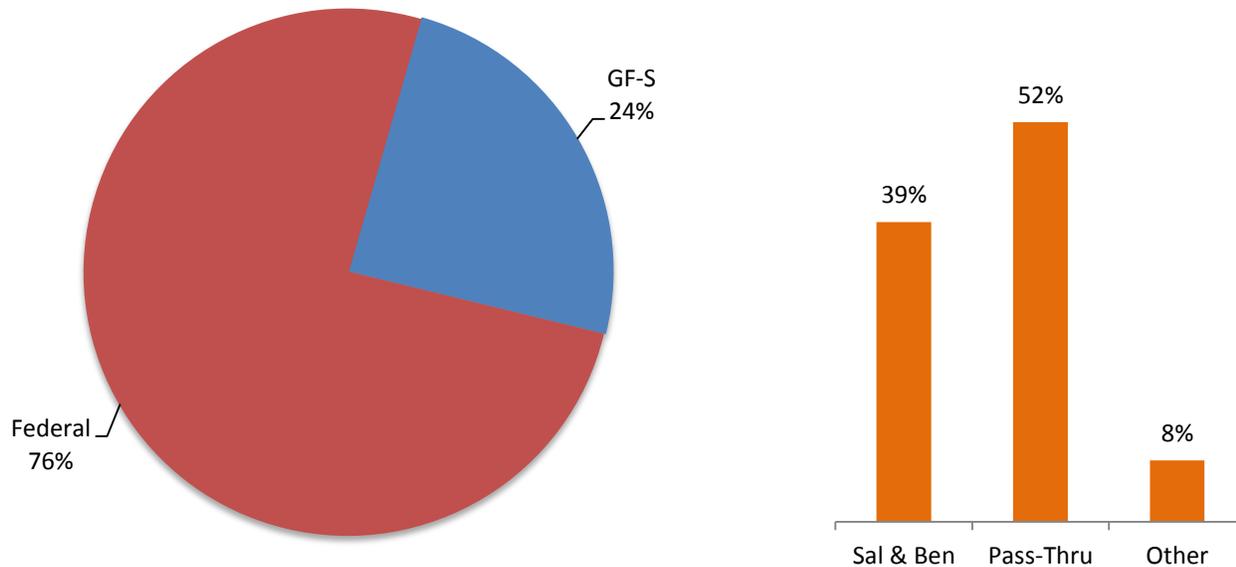
- Provide injury prevention training, presentations, and outreach to communities.
- Identify priority issues and target prevention strategies.
- Coordinate interagency workgroup to address unintentional poisoning. Increase surveillance, provider/public education, and use of best and promising practices in emergency departments.
- Support medical provider education, exercise programs, and instructor training for senior fall prevention.
- Develop evidence-based strategies, resources and materials on current injury and violence prevention research.
- Provide funding to local coalitions and groups for prevention activities such as use of personal flotation devices, and child car seat education and distribution.
- Provide statewide funding to build skills, and develop community-based strategies to prevent sexual abuse/assault.
- Provide consultation and technical expertise to other agencies, states and organizations.

### **Stakeholders**

- Interest groups:
  - Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs
  - Safe Kids Coalitions
  - Drowning Prevention Networks
  - Young Driver Task Force
  - Washington Impaired Driving Advisory Council
  - Youth Suicide Prevention Program
- Health care providers and facilities:
  - Trauma Designated Services, EMS and Trauma certified providers
  - Harborview Injury Prevention and Research Center,
  - Seattle Children's Hospital
- Other state agencies:
  - Department of Social and Health Services
  - Washington Traffic Safety Commission
  - Department of Transportation
  - Washington State Patrol
  - Department of Commerce - Office of Crime Victims Advocacy
  - Department of Licensing
  - Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction
- Federal agencies such as the Center Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

**2013-15 Biennium**

**Injury and Violence Prevention Fiscal Information**



	GF-S	Federal	Dedicated	Fees	Total	Sal & Ben	Pass-Thru	Other
Total	834,000	2,589,000	0	0	3,423,000	1,070,000	1,999,000	354,000

**Recent Funding History**

**2009–11 Biennium:**

- Ongoing reduction of \$52,370 to Youth Suicide Prevention Contract
- Ongoing GF-S reduction of \$750,000 eliminated the stand-alone Senior Falls Prevention Program
- Ongoing GF-S reduction of \$187,300 eliminated Child Death Review

**2011–13 Biennium:**

- GF-S reduction OF \$170,000 to Youth Suicide Prevention
- New grant awarded for \$449,000 in federal funding for Centers CDC Core Violence and Injury Prevention
- GF-Federal reduction of \$147,000, CDC Fire Safety grant ended in October 2011