



## COMMUNITY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

**San Antonio, Texas**

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**8310 Ewing Halsell Drive, San Antonio, TX 78229**

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## Loss Of Infant/Children

PROGRAM	PROGAM DESCRIPTION	PLACE(S) TIME(S)	CONTACT	PHONE
Bridges of Support	Bereavement outreach services for families experiencing a loss of a child (0-24 years).	See website for meeting times and locations.	Emily Sanchez	(210) 445-2814  <a href="http://www.bridgesofsupport.org">www.bridgesofsupport.org</a>
Children's Hospital of San Antonio	Angels Away Support Group for families whose babies have died due to neonatal perinatal loss: miscarriage, stillborn, ectopic pregnancy or infant death.	Children's Hospital of San Antonio, 333 N. Santa Rosa St., San Antonio, TX 78207  Meetings on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.	Peggy Huber, Chaplain	(210) 704-2181
The Compassionate Friends	A self-help group offering friendship and understanding to bereaved parents who have lost children from any cause at any age.	Alzafar Shrine Auditorium, Cabiri Conference Room, 901 North Loop 1604 West, San Antonio, TX 78232  Meetings on the 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m.	Trish Willoughby	(210) 496-6281  <a href="mailto:twilloughby@satx.rr.com">twilloughby@satx.rr.com</a>
The Ecumenical Center for Education Counseling and Health  Also offering bereavement support groups	Services include support groups, counseling and education for children, families and individuals of all ages.  Also offering the Life After Loss bereavement support group program.	Please call for schedules, to make an appointment or for more information.  And visit us at <a href="http://www.echr.org">www.echr.org</a> .	Mary Beth Fisk  Lejla Cenanovic	210-616-0885 (x215)  210-616-0885 (x200)

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Parents of Murdered Children and General Loss/Support	Bereavement support group for families and friends of homicide victims.	Balcones Heights Community Center, 107 Glenarm, San Antonio, TX 78201  Meetings on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m., except for June and July	Mary Jane Peterson	(830) 981-9490 or <a href="mailto:mjpadar@aol.com">mjpadar@aol.com</a>
(Porter Loring Family Care Services )  "Forever Loved"	A very special group of parents who have lost a child of any age (child or adult).	Alamo Heights United Methodist Church, Seminar Room 107, 825 E. Basse Rd., San Antonio, TX 78209  Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m.	Celeste Miller, Bereavement Coordinator	(210) 227-8221

## Loss of Parent

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Children's Bereavement Center of South Texas	Grief support for children ages 3-24 and their families. Individual counseling for anyone experiencing a loss.	Please visit <a href="http://www.cbcst.org">www.cbcst.org</a> for more information. 205 W. Olmos Dr., San Antonio, TX 78212	Tammy Cochran	(210) 736-4847
The Ecumenical Center for Education Counseling and Health  Also offering bereavement support groups	Services include support groups, counseling and education for children, families and individuals of all ages.  Also offering the Life After Loss bereavement support group program.	Please call for schedules, to make an appointment or for more information.  And visit us at <a href="http://www.echr.org">www.echr.org</a> .	Mary Beth Fisk  Lejla Cenanovic	210-616-0885 (x215)  210-616-0885 (x200)

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Porter Loring Family Care Services	Six-week classes are conducted at various locations throughout the community. These programs are particularly helpful to those who have lost parents as well as other types of losses.	For more information about this program or to schedule one at your church, please call	Celeste Miller, Bereavement Coordinator	(210) 227-8221

## Loss of Spouse

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The Ecumenical Center for Education Counseling and Health  Also offering bereavement support groups	Services include support groups, counseling and education for children, families and individuals of all ages.  Also offering the Life After Loss bereavement support group program.	Please call for schedules, to make an appointment or for more information.  And visit us at <a href="http://www.echr.org">www.echr.org</a> .	Mary Beth Fisk  Lejla Cenanovic	210-616-0885 (x215)  210-616-0885 (x200)
(Porter Loring Family Care Services)  “Men’s Grief Support Group”	This group of men 65 years and older, invite you to join them for lunch and fellowship as you grieve the loss of your wife.	Alamo Heights United Methodist Church, 825 E. Basse Rd., San Antonio, TX 78212  Meetings on Thursdays from 12:00 noon – 1:30 p.m.	Celeste Miller, Bereavement Coordinator	(210)227-8221
(Porter Loring Family Care Services)  “Fellowship in Grief”	This is an ongoing support group for men 25-66 years old who are faced with challenges of living life without their wives.	Porter Loring Family Care Services, 2119 Mannix, San Antonio, TX 78217  Meetings on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month, 12:00 noon-1:30 p.m.	Celeste Miller, Bereavement Coordinator	(210)227-8221

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(Porter Loring Family Care Services)  “Grief Support for Women”	This group is open to women 60 and older who have lost a husband and would like to join with other women in a journey of sharing, comfort, and healing.	Alamo Heights United Methodist Church, 825 E. Basse Rd., San Antonio, TX 78212  Meetings on Mondays from 10:00-11:30 a.m.	Celeste Miller, Bereavement Coordinator	(210)227-8221
“Younger Women’s Grief Support”  (Porter Loring Family Care Services)	This group is an ongoing support group for women 25-60 years old who face the special challenges of losing their husband early in life.	Porter Loring Family Care Services, 2119 Mannix, San Antonio, TX 78217  Meetings on the 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month from 11:00-12:30 p.m.	Celeste Miller, Bereavement Coordinator	(210) 227-8221
San Antonio Area Widowed Persons’ Service and the Widowed Persons’ Travel Group	Services: referrals, resources, support groups, socials, trips. Widowed persons of all ages are welcome.	Location varies on the event. Please call for information or visit <a href="http://www.sa-widowed.com">www.sa-widowed.com</a>  Meetings are on Fridays at 7:00 p.m. at 10911 West Ave., San Antonio, TX 78216	Susan Blumhorst, M.A.	(210) 745-5801
St. Matthew’s Catholic Church	Widowed and Widowers Support Group	St. Matthew’s Catholic Church, 10703 Wurzbach, San Antonio, TX 78216  Meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 7-8:30 p.m.	Terri Nanez	(210) 478-5036

## Loss of A Loved One by Suicide

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<p>The Ecumenical Center for Education Counseling and Health</p> <p>Also offering bereavement support groups</p>	<p>Services include support groups, counseling and education for children, families and individuals of all ages.</p> <p>Also offering the Life After Loss bereavement support group program.</p>	<p>Please call for schedules, to make an appointment or for more information.</p> <p>And visit us at <a href="http://www.ecrh.org">www.ecrh.org</a>.</p>	<p>Mary Beth Fisk</p> <p>Lejla Cenanovic</p>	<p>210-616-0885 (x215)</p> <p>210-616-0885 (x200)</p>
<p>S.O.L.O.S. (Survivors of Loved Ones' Suicide)</p>	<p>Support group designed to help families and friends of suicide victims cope with the sorrow of the tragedy and the pain of survival.</p>	<p>The Ecumenical Center for Education, Counseling, and Health, 8310 Ewing Halsell Dr., San Antonio, TX 78229</p> <p>Meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, 7-8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Tony Mata</p> <p>Angie Navarette</p>	<p>(210) 885-7069</p> <p>(210) 722-9752</p>

## General Loss/Support

PROGRAM	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	PLACE(S) TIME(S)	CONTACT	PHONE
Abode Contemplative Care for the Dying	Contemplative care for the dying and their loved ones. Physical, emotional, spiritual, and bereavement support to dying guests and their families, offered at no charge 24 hours a day.	In-services on various aspects of end of life care and the Art of Living and Dying.  For details of guest eligibility call 210-967-9891.  Meeting Time: Interfaith Meditation group open to the public: Mondays 5:30 – 6:30 PM at ABODE, 8619 Post Oak Lane, San Antonio, 78217  Tours offered Monday through Friday 9-5. Call for an appointment.	Jane Marie Young	210-967-9891
Air Force Village Hospice	12-week grief recovery program for any type of loss.	Air Force Village Hospice, 12455 Freedom Way, San Antonio, TX 78238	Chaplain Dr. Luis Carlos Sanchez	(210) 838-6340
A-Med Community Hospice and Home Health	Ongoing bereavement support	4903 Golden Quail, Ste. 110, San Antonio, TX 78240	Chaplain Charles Murray	(210) 734-6300
ALS Association Texas Chapter	Bereavement counseling for those who have lost a loved one to A.L.S.	ALS Association Texas Chapter, 8600 Wurzbach, Suite 700, San Antonio, TX 78240	Stephen Morse	(210) 845-7715 or (210) 733-5204
Alamo Hospice	Bereavement support.	3201 Cherry Ridge, San Antonio, TX 78230	Chris Sitton	(210) 444-2244
Alzheimer's Association	Alzheimer's Monthly Grief, Loss & Mourning Support Group	Brookdale Castle Hills 1207 Jackson Keller Road, Building 2, San Antonio, TX 78213	Ella Edward	(210)375-8132

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Beginning Experience of San Antonio Ministry	A retreat for Widowed, Divorced & Separated to deal with grief after the loss of a marriage partner. Retreats held at Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in San Antonio.	<u>Mailing address:</u> P.O.BOX 235 Castroville, TX 78009  <u>Physical Address:</u> 138 Beethoven Avenue, San Antonio, TX 78210	Michelle Barrentine	(210) 478-0690
Bereavement/Soul Care Provider	Providing bereavement services, individual and spiritual care for those who are facing terminal illness and for their survivors.	11703 Huebner Rd., Suite 106-505, San Antonio, TX 78230	Jan Davis, D.Min., Certified Spiritual Care Director	(210) 408-1841
Castle Ridge Mortuary	Bereavement Aftercare Program	Castle Ridge Mortuary, 8008 Military Drive, W., San Antonio, TX 78227	Ana Campos	(210) 645-6000
Christus-VNA Hospice and Palliative Care	Life after Loss Bereavement. Support groups available in English and Spanish.	Christus Homecare, 4241 Woodcock Ste. A 100, San Antonio, TX 78228  Monthly Grief Support, 2nd Thursdays from 11:30-1:00 p.m. at 414 Walside Dr., San Antonio, TX 78213	Veronica Ibarra  Barbara Martin	(210)785-5255  <a href="mailto:Barbara.martin@christushealth.org">Barbara.martin@christushealth.org</a>
Dignity Memorial	Lift program for widows, Grief Guidance series.	Sunset Memorial, 1701 Austin Hwy., San Antonio, TX 78218	Sarai Lajas	(210) 238-0050

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Gentiva Hospice	Bereavement Support.	Odyssey Hospice, 4440 S. Piedras Dr., suite 125, San Antonio, TX 78228	Camille Torrez, Chaplain and Bereavement Coordinator	(210) 733-1212
Good Shepherd Hospice	Bereavement support.	4241 E. Piedras, Suite 171, San Antonio, TX 78228	Cindy Magsis	(210)733-3939  <a href="mailto:cindy.magsig@goodshpherdhospice.com">cindy.magsig@goodshpherdhospice.com</a>
Harbour Hospice	Bereavement Support, Life After Loss classes twice a year (spring and fall)	12915 Jones Maltsberger, Ste. 501, San Antonio, TX 78247	Chaplain Cleo Kukeya	(210) 403-9911
Holy Spirit Catholic Church	Bereavement support group. Life After Loss classes twice a year (spring and fall).	Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 8134 Blanco Rd., San Antonio, TX 78216	Ann Hillestad  Rose Cruz	(210) 492-3877  (210) 341-1395

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Hope Hospice/New Braunfels	Bereavement Support, Family support groups, Newly bereaved groups, individual counseling for children and adults. Family camp in April – ages 5 and up. No charge for participants, open to the community, including San Antonio residents.	Hope Hospice, 611 N. Walnut Ave., New Braunfels, TX 78130	Oscar Olivares & Stephanie Shaw	(830) 258-5300
Hospice Compassus	Bereavement support.	4204 Woodcock, Suite 240, San Antonio, TX 78228	Harry Miller	(210) 284-0149
New Century Hospice: “Knot Forgotten”	“Knot Forgotten” is a unique bereavement program emphasizing giving back to the community while offering support to one another.	New Century Hospice, 8207 Callaghan Rd., Suite 353, San Antonio, TX 78230  Meetings on the last Saturday of the Month 10:00 a.m.-noon.	Elvia Obregos	(210) 520-7734
North Central Baptist: “Bridges Beyond Grief”	Bereavement support group.	Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 20423 Huebner Rd., San Antonio, TX 78258, Tuesdays 10 a.m.-noon.  Independence Hill Retirement Community, Private Dining Room, 20450 Huebner Rd., San Antonio, TX 78258, Tuesdays from 2-3:00 p.m.	Emily Baril	(210) 497-8166  903 Hedgestone, San Antonio, TX 78258

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Nurses in Touch Hospice	Bereavement support	Floresville, Kenedy, San Antonio areas.	Chaplain Philip Williams and Rechelle Ehler	(830) 216-7111 or 1-800-867-1668
Oak Hills Church: "Grief and Healing"	"Grief and Healing" classes offered 2x per year.	Please call for schedule.	Mary K. Griffin, Care Ministry & Martie Noll, Bereavement Ministry	(210) 698-4631
Outreach Health Service	Bereavement Support.	1111 Babcock Road, San Antonio, TX 78201	Sister Rosa Sanchez, I.W.B.S.	(210) 736-1812
St. Bonaventure Catholic Church	Bereavement Support.	1918 Palo Alto Road, San Antonio, TX 78211	Veronica Ibarra	(210) 785-5255 <a href="mailto:caregiver.support@christushealth.org">caregiver.support@christushealth.org</a>
St. Luke's Catholic Church	Life After Loss support groups are offered twice a year in March and October. The group is offered in English, however, when requested, support for Spanish speakers is also available.  Also Healing Hearts Bereavement support group.	4603 Manitou (Between NW Loop 410 & Callaghan Rd.), San Antonio, TX 78228  Meetings every Wednesday 10 a.m.-noon.	Deacon Robert Garza, Pastoral care  or call the parish office	(210) 313-1053  (210) 433-2777
St. Matthews Catholic Church	Bereavement Support.	10703 Wurzbach Road, San Antonio, TX 78230  Thursdays 7:00-830	Terri Nanez	(210)478-5036

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Summit Christian Center Grief Care Ministry	Pastoral care and spiritual support provided to those grieving the death of a loved one.	Summit Christian Center, 2575 Marshall Rd., San Antonio, 78259  "Tear Soup" Support Group meets 1st Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.	Michelle Ramirez	(210) 683-8282 or  (210) 402-0565 ext. 2171  <a href="mailto:griefcare@summitsa.com">griefcare@summitsa.com</a>
UTHSC Allograft resources	Grief support on various topics. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.change100lives.com">www.change100lives.com</a> .	Westage Medical building, 5282 Medical Dr., Suite 605, San Antonio, TX 78229  Monthly grief support workshops on the 2nd Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.	Michelle Ramirez	(210) 567-0528
Vitas Innovative Hospice	Bereavement support group	Monthly Bereavement Support Group, 1st Saturday of each month, Meets at OASIS at Morningside, corner of McNeil and St. Cloud, San Antonio, TX 78229	Darwin Huartson, Bereavement Services Manager	(210) 348-4305  VITAS Healthcare 8401 Data Point Drive, Suite 300, San Antonio, TX 78229