

**From:** lisa

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**Subject:** Operation Engage America-Iowa

Good Afternoon,

This is Lisa Naslund with **Operation Engage America –Iowa**. Operation Engage America (OEA) is a resource fair organization that offers support, awareness, education and resources for veterans, their families and community members, living with PTSD and TBI. Our goal is to link those in need to the resources and organizations such as yours, to help make a difference for even one more veteran or one more family, so they need not suffer as our son did and family has.

After losing our son Sgt Dillion Naslund (Army National Guard) to PTSD suicide I knew I needed to help other soldiers, and families suffering as Dillion did and as our family has. I read shortly after Dillion died, "If we each do a little, together we do a lot". Those words were powerful in the fact working together we can make a difference to end 22 a day suicides.

Along with another couple , Howard and Jean Somers from San Diego, California that had lost their son to PTSD suicide we organized **Operation Engage America**.

We have held 2 annual events, in 2014, and 2015 at the State Capitol. They were a success in making a difference to our veterans, families and communities. We have been asked to host additional OEA resource events. More can be found at the website listed below.

I am thrilled to announce we will be hosting another **Operation Engage America** event on Nov 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

The OEA event will be at the *American Red Cross in Sioux City, Iowa* from 11:00am -1:30 pm. Support Siouxlend Soldiers has partnered with us for this event. They will be offering a free meal and free groceries to our veterans.

Would you be willing to participate in this important Operation Engage America event as a vendor with resources that are so needed to help our veterans, families and community with awareness to PTSD/TBI?

Tables and chairs will be available to you. All you will need to bring is your information and what you use to decorate your table. Also there is no vendor fee to you for participating.

I look forward to hearing from you.

"If we each do a little, together we do A LOT"

Please refer to the attachment flyer.

Sincerely,

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