10 Ways to Take Action for Mental Wellbeing



World Mental Health Day — Oct. 10, 2025 — is a global reminder to prioritize mental wellbeing. It's a chance to raise awareness and make an impact that lasts all year long. Here are 10 ways you can get involved now and beyond.



Start the Conversation:

Break the stigma by talking openly about mental health with friends, family and colleagues. A simple "How are you, really?" or "Are you OK?" can make them feel safe and open the door to honest conversations.



Share Trusted Resources: Post helplines, mental health guides and practical tools on social media so others know where to turn

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Show Your Support: Show your solidarity on Oct. 10 by

wearing green, the international color for mental health awareness. Or, if you're trained in Mental Health First Aid (MHFA), visit the MHFA Store for gear that raises awareness.



Take a Mental Health Break: Studies

show self-care can boost happiness and support emotional health, while reducing the risk of chronic health conditions. Take some time for a walk, meditation or any activity that recharges your mind.



Get Involved: Participate in webinars, workshops or community activities that promote mental wellbeing. The National Council offers a <u>variety of learning opportunities</u> on mental health, substance use and more.





Raise Your Voice: Every day, legislators make decisions that shape access to care for communities across the country. You can help by advocating for policies that support mental health and writing to your legislators.

Check in With Someone: Reach out to a friend, neighbor or coworker who may be struggling. With MHFA training, you'll have the knowledge and skills to offer support when it's needed most. Find a course near you!







Donate or Volunteer:

Support community organizations and nonprofits that are dedicated to expanding mental health services. You can make a gift to the National Council by visiting our donation page.

Educate Yourself: Explore mental health topics, read inspiring stories and learn how communities get the care they need. Visit the National Council's blog to stay on top of mental health news and discover how people are making a mark.

Celebrate Progress:

Highlight stories of resilience to show that help is available and healing is possible. If you've completed MHFA training, share your journey on our blog and across social media to inspire others and raise awareness.

World Mental Health Day is a universal call to action. By starting conversations, sharing resources and supporting those around us, we can build a future where mental wellbeing isn't just possible — it's promised.