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Veterans Affairs Provides Assistance in Wake of Yountville Tragedy

Washington, DC – Our sympathies are with the families, friends and colleagues of Jennifer Gonzales, a psychologist with the San Francisco Department of Veterans Affairs Healthcare System, Pathway Home's executive director, Christine Loeber and staff therapist Jen Golick killed at The Pathway Home, a private non-profit residential treatment facility located on the Yountville State Veterans Home campus. We have tremendous respect for their unfailing commitment to serve our Veterans during their most challenging times.

Although this is not a VA facility, we are working with our California state partners to provide whatever support we can, because California's Veterans are our nation's Veterans. We have placed a Mobile Vet Center on the Yountville campus. VA's National Center for PTSD and Rocky Mountain Mental Illness Research, Education and Clinical Center are posting resources on their web pages for dealing with tragic violent events. It is information that may be helpful to anyone who may be struggling - survivors, Veterans, families, staff, and the general public. The Veterans Crisis Line is always available 24/7/365 for any crisis needs, 1-800-273-8255, press 1, or www.VeteransCrisisLine.net, or text to 838255.