

OSHA's FY 2026 Outreach Initiatives

I. National Initiatives

OSHA will support the following national outreach initiatives in FY 2026:

- **Stand-Up 4 Grain Safety Week**

This annual event raises awareness of hazards in grain storage and handling operations and is sponsored by the OSHA and National Grain and Feed Association (NGFA), Grain Handling Safety Coalition (GHSC), and Grain Elevator and Processing Society (GEAPS) national Alliance and other agricultural industry groups. March 30- April 3, 2026, will be the tenth annual event.

- **Fall Prevention Campaign**

OSHA's ongoing Fall Prevention Campaign raises awareness of the danger of falls in construction and other industries. The annual National Safety Stand Down encourages employers to set aside time during the week to focus on fall prevention efforts and training. The Stand-Down coincides with Construction Safety Week: May 4-8, 2026.

- **Heat Illness Prevention Campaign**

OSHA continues its efforts to educate employers and workers on heat injury and illness prevention in outdoor and indoor work settings. This campaign is ongoing, but OSHA amps up outreach efforts during warmer months (typically from early spring through fall).

- **Safe + Sound: Campaign for Safety and Health Programs**

The Safe + Sound Campaign encourages every workplace to have a safety and health program. Safe + Sound Week is a nationwide event held each August that recognizes the successes of workplace safety and health programs and offers information and ideas on how to keep America's workers safe. The 2026 event will be August 10-14, 2026.

- **Workplace Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Campaign**

OSHA's commitment to supporting mental health involves providing guidance and resources on how employers and employees can address work-related stress, remove the stigma of mental illness, and promote workplace mental health. OSHA will conduct outreach for Mental Health Awareness Month in May and Suicide Prevention Awareness Month in September, as well as Construction Suicide Prevention Week: September 14-18, 2026.

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II. Focus Areas

The following are OSHA priorities identified in the FY 2026 Agency Management Plan:

- Increasing focus on compliance assistance and outreach efforts to encourage employers to proactively enhance workplace safety and health
- Pivoting towards more efficient, less penalty-dependent enforcement to reduce burdens on small businesses
- Focusing enforcement on the most serious violators and hazardous workplaces

III. Key Dates for Compliance Assistance/Outreach

The dates below are subject to change. Visit osha.gov/calendar for updates.

January 2026

- 2 - Covered employers may begin electronically submitting CY 2025 injury and illness data through the Injury Tracking Application (January 2 - March 2, 2026)

February 2026

- 1 - Employers must post CY 2025 summary of injuries and illnesses (February 1- April 30, 2026)

March 2026

- 1-7 - Women in Construction Week (National Association of Women in Construction)
- 2 - Deadline for covered employers to electronically submit CY 2025 injury and illness data through the Injury Tracking Application
- March 30-April 3 - Stand Up for Grain Safety Week
- Ladder Safety Month (American Ladder Institute)

April 2026

- March 30-April 3 - Stand Up for Grain Safety Week
- 20-24 - National Work Zone Awareness Week and OSHA Workers Memorial Day events
- 28 - Workers' Memorial Day
- Distracted Driving Awareness Month
- National Safe Digging Month

May 2026

- 3-9 - National Small Business Week (U.S. Small Business Administration)
- 4-8 - Fall Stand-Down and Construction Safety Week
- Mental Health Awareness Month

June 2026

- 1 - Start of Atlantic Hurricane Season
- 1-3 - AIHA Connect 2026 (American Industrial Hygiene Association, New Orleans, LA)

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- 11 - National Forklift Safety Day (Industrial Truck Association)
- 15-17 - Safety 2026 Congress and Expo (American Society of Safety Professionals, Anaheim, CA)
- 16-20 -Trench Safety Stand-Down (National Utility Contractors Association)
- National Safety Month

July 2026

- 30 - National Whistleblower Day
- Extreme Heat Safety Month
- National Fireworks Safety Month

August 2026

- 10-14 - Safe + Sound Week
- 11 - Safe Digging Day (also known as 811 Day, promotes trenching/excavation safety)
- Aug 30-Sept 2 - VPPPA Safety+ Symposium (Voluntary Protection Programs Participants' Association, Nashville, TN)
- 31 - Overdose Awareness Day

September 2026

- 10 - World Suicide Prevention Day
- 11-17 - National Safety Congress and Expo (National Safety Council; Denver, CO)
- 14-18 - Construction Suicide Prevention Week
- Farm Safety and Health Week (TBA)
- Preparedness Month
- Recovery Month
- Suicide Prevention Month