

Prevention Town Hall: Preventing Sexual and Intimate Partner Violence One Year Into the Coronavirus Pandemic

Thursday March 18th, 2021

AKJ: Hi everyone! Ashleigh from PreventConnect here — I am in Northern California.

AS: Would love to have ideas of how to deal with this mess

AS: https://medium.com/acento-africano/vip-while-black-the-true-story-of-a-black-womans-assault-in-a-liberal-town-8ffb2f5131da

AKJ: Welcome everyone — thanks for joining us today!

AKJ: You can download the PowerPoint slides for this session here: http://www.preventconnect.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/PreventConnect-Town-Hall-2021-final.pdf

DL: #WeAreValor #SomosValor

DM: TEAM VALOR

LC: Congratulations on the rebrand!

AKJ: Text Chat Question: How has your work to prevent sexual and intimate partner violence changed for you since March 2020?

JB: Increase in awareness and decrease in multi dose primary prevention trainings.

RH: Changed so much! harder to connect with others because of lack of in person services.

RC: lost funding and positions due to pandemic.

DB: higher caseload; higher referral out process; less access to resources; higher confidentiality concerns.

HB: Less room at the shelters, working from home and bringing these issues into my home.

TP: Taking action was halted and became networking via virtual.

KS: A shift from in person to virtual sessions with students in school.

KD: Harder for clients who need the social contact with service providers

CW: Less advocacy opportunities for supporting victims

SM: Responding to sexual assault victims in rural hospitals has been challenging since they haven't been super on the ball with virtual options for advocacy or over the phone. Harder for clients to receive services as well.

TA: Really helped us to realize the value of fostering relationships. It was our strong community partners that helped us keep initiatives moving during the pandemic.

AK: Loss of in person court hearings and trouble with the Zoom hearings

SS: Prevention activities have decreased tremendously.

KT: harder to help families without in person sessions

AH: Everything is online (prevention and advocacy work). More support and education needed around online safety. More needs for community support and connection among survivors.

LC: We are focusing on virtual community trainings and webinar series. We're planning a virtual Prevention Conference for Fall 2021. We've had to put school engagement on pause due to staff transitions and the pandemic. We're about to rehire and hope to resume youth curriculum in Fall 2021.

HS: Virtual classrooms in prevention education is so much harder!

MH: More difficult for clients to connect due to lack of access to digital/tech and lack of digital literacy.

LAH: Huge increase in sexual assaults, increase in mental health issues with clients, everything through zoom or over phone - very little in person. SA support group has went down since going to zoom only groups, almost no in-person outreach events or school presentations.

FM: Harder to connect to the community. Increase needs for Mental Health and access to resources (Food, pay bills, etc)

KV: Reduced opportunities for education at schools because of lack of internet connections in our rural areas.

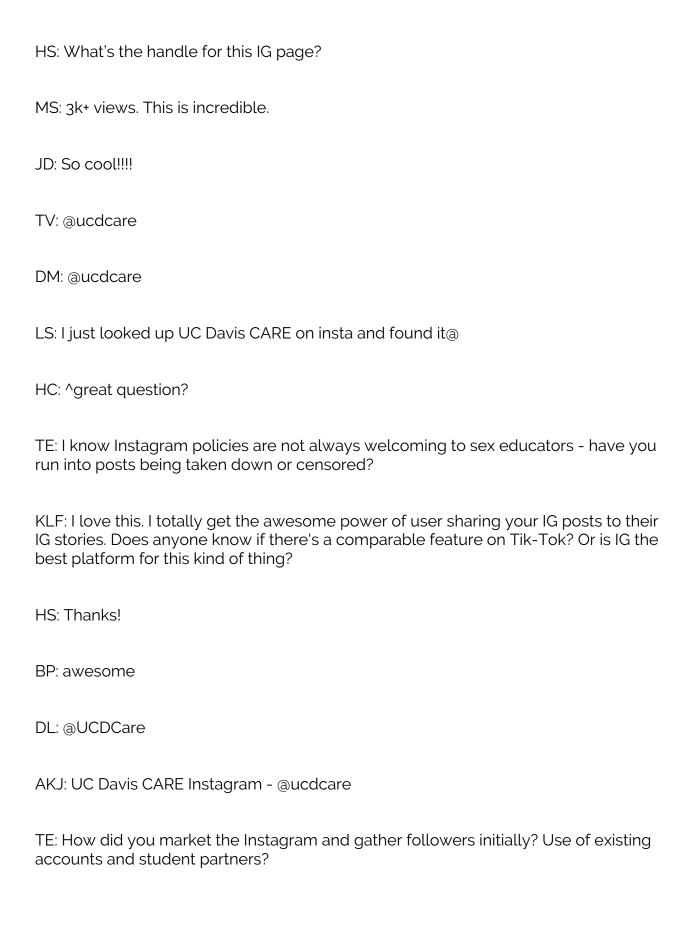
JN: The intensity of operating in this climate of collective grief.

AH: It looks beautiful Rachel!

MP: Yes!! I love this!

BP: Really good

AKJ: Defining values + aligning posts seems like a really useful recipe!



AKJ: @Taylor @Kira-Lynn we'll ask Rachel to head over the chat to answer your questions!

KLF: Sexual Citizens is the best book I read last year!

TE: Thanks! Last question - curious if these posts have to go through approval through the university central communications team? This is a big barrier we have at our campus.

LS: ^^^

LS: BIG barrier for us too.

TB: I love the Sexual Citizens discussion series!

HC: the sexual citizens discussion series is such a great idea!!!

RC: Rachel this was great info to share with us. love all the ideas to get student engaged.

KR: That was awesome!

JSM: Thank you!

MR: How do you incorporate some of the "house-keeping/admin" social media posts your org has to share with your three goals approach?

ET: How do you count engagement, especially on longer learning opportunities?

AS: tell us more about micro learning webinars??

TB: Our campus is hosting an event with Hirsch & Khan, authors of Sexual Citizens, at 12 EST on March 24th. It is free and open to the public if you are interested in joining: http://cglink.me/2f3/r972154. Our undergraduate peer educators also host a

podcast on the topic of sexual citizenship called Exploring Entanglements: https://open.spotify.com/show/3dAX6HL830R2GqeAo1UHJy?si=m6pMdQg7QeaS https://open.spotify.com/show/3dAX6HL830R2GqeAo1UHJy?si=m6pMdQg7QeaS https://open.spotify.com/show/3dAX6HL830R2GqeAo1UHJy?si=m6pMdQg7QeaS https://open.spotify.com/show/3dAX6HL830R2GqeAo1UHJy?si=m6pMdQg7QeaS

MC: Thank you for sharing Rachel, great information.

CH: Thank you for extending the invite Tess:)

MR: Go Tara, Betsy and Jarred!!!

RH: RE: Instagram Policies now being welcoming to sex educations -- We luckily have not had any posts taken down but I know that our sexual health educator at UCD has dealt with this. We try to track which hashtags are less likely to be flagged and so far have not been censored with our posts.

AKJ: Gender Equity Reading Initiative website and resources: www.gerigr.org.

HW: Love this idea.

KV: I love the wide range of ages that you offer here. Thank you for sharing these!

CH: Love this.

VP: This is amazing!

RC: the links that are being in the chat, will you all send them to us after the workshop? I am not able to copy the link to open them to look over. the save button is not available on the chat on my end.

AR: Very cool!

AKJ: @Rosaline Yes!!!

AKJ: Sorry @RosalinA

SB: Wow very impressive!

QM: Love this GERI project!

TA: A virtual version of the toolkit Jarred is talking about can be found here: https://gerigr.org/parent-tool-kit/

AKJ: We will share a list of resources with links!

KM: Really love this!

KV: Do you have a way to access the toolkit?

AKJ: Gender Equity Reading Initiative virtual Storytime: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLalVyijDs3cl0gD1zKm3YtQjiUom-A_gl

SVH: Love the parent toolkit idea! Can you share it?

KD: Are these book available in other languages?

TA: The virtual version of the toolkit can be found on the GERI website, but we are also happy to provide a PDG version too if you email jdaniels@shmgr.org

AKJ: Parent toolkit: https://gerigr.org/parent-tool-kit/

LC: Excellent resources and partnerships, Safe Haven!

AKJ: Gender Equity Reading Initiative virtual Storytime: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLalVyijDs3cl09D1zKm3YtQjiUom-A_gl

TA: Yes the toolkit and reading guides are in English and Spanish. Also many of our books are published in English and Spanish. Or include English and Spanish within the book.

BP: love community libraries

GHM: This is amazing

TA: This work really helped us to learn the importance of not just having intervention services accessible to our Latinx community, but also our prevention initiatives.

JSM: Love this!

HS: Amazing content!

HS: Highly recommend "Courage Party" published by Microcosm Publishing. It's appropriate for all ages and recommended for youth

ET: This is really terrific! thank you for generously sharing

BP: great substance and community work - conversation with children so important

TA: Thank you, Holly for the recommendation!

AKJ: Text chat question: How are you or how can you engage new audiences in sexual and intimate partner violence prevention during the pandemic?

RH: new and unique partnerships.

HN: We've been dropping into class's online classes.

KF: Engage in discussions whenever you can! Get the idea flowing through social media.

TB: Creating virtual versions of our curriculum.

KV: A subcommittee I cofacilitate is working on a similar toolkit for our state. So thank you for sharing your example!

AKJ: Oh yessss! Love that prevention placement!

TH: Work on producing a workshop facilitated by a man & woman for young boys about boundaries.

MC: We ran a 'ddsv prevention week' that included a bingo draw of activities & initiatives they could get involved with https://sites.google.com/mtroyal.ca/ddsvpreventionweek/home We also hosted a Creative Media Contest for students

RA: feel free to check more out here:

Website: https://womenforafghanwomen.org/

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/womenforafghanwomen

Instagram: https://www.womenforafghanwomen

Twitter: https://www.WAWHumanRights

SO: We are a very small agency in a rural county. When we first went home last year I began a several week "class" schedule on YouTube. It was a different age group per day and I took the curriculum I was teaching in classrooms and taught live online. I made it available to different teachers groups. It wasn't much, but it was a support for our local teachers and any teachers/parents around the country that wanted it.

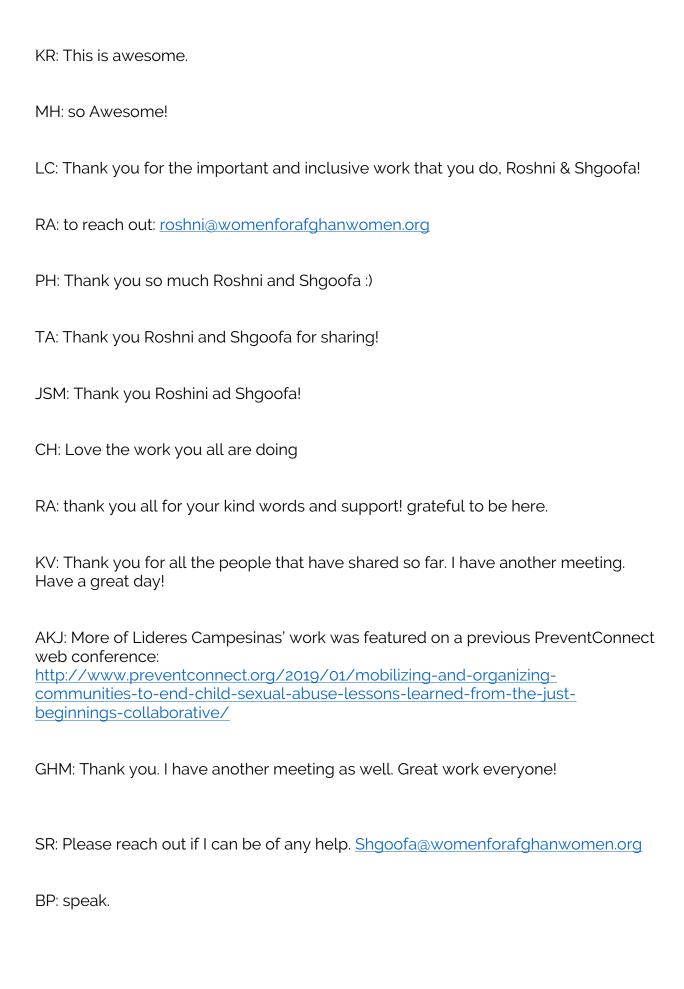
ZN: We've been offering a series about relationship skills (boundaries, consent, sex ed/negotiation) on Zoom. Boundaries has been the most popular.

We also do bystander intervention training and empowerment self-defense classes. BI was incredibly popular last fall. We are running all of these again for Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

AKJ: @Sara @Zoe thank you for sharing.

SB: Thank you Roshni and Shgoofa for the work you do!

GHM: This is amazing.



AKJ: Access the video here (8 min). **WARNING** The video contains content that may cause triggers. Please be advised. https://www.youtu.be/RiuU6enKLAg

RA: We need some more volunteers like you who inspire people to give back to community Proud of you

SB: Beautiful work!

RA: ROSHNI AND SHGOOFA

KR: I appreciate how you all take the information to individuals. love the aprons!!

SB: Love the creativity!

BP: Is Wifi available to reach survivors or do out-reach?

MRW: Excellent work! Can we have the slides? I will be presenting at the CSW 65 Forum at the ONU next Monday at 10:00 ET and think this is very relevant. The panel is named the Dual Pandemia of GV and COVID-19.

PH: This is great- do you all do radio outreach as well?

BP: love the aprons an alternative to the clothes line tee shirts

AS: Working with farm labor groups is a great collaboration for our groups to connect with.

AS: Thanks to Lideres!!

AKJ: Link to letter from April 1st, 2020: http://www.liderescampesinas.org/corona-virus/letter-to-the-governor/

AKJ: Link to letter from March 5, 2021:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSc8D6AkslggDrA8WNOFr8VxA5ugC2qZ4lnUPZTB6z1_PiKjdQ/viewform

PH: Love the advocacy work, so important!

LC: I agree with Betty. We do the Clothesline Project and I love the decorated aprons and it can symbolize changing gender norms and preventing domestic violence. Love it!

AKJ: Twitter - @LCampesinas

CH: Love the work

AKJ: Instagram - @liderescampesinas

EH: Many of the survivors or women going through the domestic violence put their own stories on those aprons. we had youth that had put the abuse their mothers are going through or how they wish their home would be (peace and a safe place)

KD: Appreciate your work! Very inspiring

JD: I love the wok you do Elvira, Angela, and Yesenia. It is truly amazing to see the long history you have with the work you do in the community

AKJ: Text Chat Question: How does breaking down the silos between prevention and intervention meet the needs of communities and prevent violence during the COVID-19 pandemic?

AS: Collaborate, Collaborate, Collaborate!!!

CF: Thank you for all your inspiring work- you are making a difference!

TA: Community Connectedness has become more important than ever. Working to enhance community connectedness can be a focus of both prevention and intervention—and is usually most effective when there is a dual approach.

LB: We need to get faith-based organizations connected to these excellent organizations

JSM: Agree Leslie!

LC: One of our prevention programs is Resilient Spaces and it's a training program engaging the community sectors of Businesses, Faith Communities, and Salon Professionals in systems change work. This program definitely bridges the gap of intervention and prevention, in that, we are equipping organizations and employers with skills for preventing domestic violence and supporting survivors.

www.https://resiliencemi.org/resilient-spaces/ We are working on a summer program on Trauma Informed Tattooing.

TV: @Lesley, wow! That is incredible work!

LC: Thanks, Tori!

AKJ: @Lesley thanks for sharing! Bookmarking the site!

RA: Really admire the intersectional work Caitlin!

AKJ: Text Chat Question: How have you overcome challenges to sexual and intimate partner violence prevention during the pandemic?

EH: Any zoom event's or questions Lideres Campesinas will be happy to participate elvira@liderescampesinas.org cell number (760) 953-6167. Thank you and great team work everyone.

CB: Thank you, @Roshni! I say the same thing for your work--having those difficult conversations, especially with youth, is so important!

LB: When we can see each other as HUMAN beings, we will be better off...our children & youth will be healthier than we are....I thank God for all of you who stand in this evil day(the pandemic)

LB: and beyond...

TA: Flexibility! Spot on, Roshni!

KR: I appreciate the above and beyond <3

KF: Thank you all so much for coming together and sharing the experiences you have encountered and surmounted during the pandemic!

CF: Thank you all for today's informative presentation.

HC: love that

SG: Awesome work and pandemic pivoting everyone!!! Panelists and hosts were great!

AS: Listening to one's community and intersectionality with the work with gender equity and anti-oppression work. I would love if someone has a great book list that they share around this work. We work with kidpower.org

ET: yes, such an important reminder!

LB: that's great..."I'm here"....that's a loving response.

JSM: I am inspired by the love, dedication and commitment you have for your communities. Thankful for this!

RA: yes please stay connected!!

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LAH: Thank you everyone:) LC: Love the collaborative spirit, Caitlin! PCH: Excellent presentation today! I really appreciate all of the great ideas, generosity and inspiration! TA: Thank you all for the opportunity to share. If anyone has any additional questions, I can be reached at taday@shmgr.org CWG: THANK YOU! ET: Thank you! LP: Thank you all it was great AS: Especially need this collaboration with 7 Asian women murdered recently LB: Thank You. all HSL: Thank you all! CH: Thank you all

AKJ: Thank you all so much for joining us today!

PH: Thank you, thank you, thank you. This was great

KO: Thank you for all the great information!

YM: Thank You all:)

LS: Such wonderful information! Thank you for your work and for inspiring us today! RA: Thanks everyone for being here, hope we can stay in community together. MG: Thank you all for a very informative webinar!! NP: This has been so wonderful and insightful. Thank you so much for all your work!! AH: Thank you to the presenters! RM: This was awesome!! Thank you to each and every one of you and the work that you do! VP: Thank you very much TT: Thank you! AR: Thank you! TB: Thank you!