National Day of Conversation (#NDOC)

A DIGITAL DAY OF CONVERSATION ON NOVEMBER 26, 2019

What is the National Day of Conversation?

Date: November 26, 2019

- What: A digital conversation focused on the issue of sexualized violence against fundraisers in the charitable sector
- Why: One year since last dialogue on this issue at AFP Congress and little progress has been made
- Goal: to increase awareness around this issue with charitable sector employees, leadership, and donors

#NDOC: Sector Statistics

- 85,000 charities in Canada generating \$165 B in revenue (8.1% of GDP)
- Employ more than 2 million people
- 70% of those identify as women
- 70% senior leadership positions are held by men
- Boards of directors predominantly Caucasian (87.6%)
- Sources: Imagine Canada; AFP Global; Race to Lead; Schulich School of Business

#NDOC: Lack of Diversity

- Lack of diversity at leadership level leads to blind spots
- Dominant culture leads (patriarchy, misogyny, racism, sexism etc.)
- Harassment and sexualized violence are rooted in this culture
- No one is immune from this including the charitable sector
- ▶ We are ALL responsible for changing this dynamic

Sources: PWC; Schulich School of Business

#NDOC: Harassment Statistics

- ▶ 1 in 4 women in fundraising experience sexually harassment
- ▶ 65% of the time the harassers were donors
- ▶ 95% of those harassing were male
- ▶ 71% of those who reported no action taken by their employer

This is UNACCEPTABLE

Sources: Imagine Canada; AFP Global

#NDOC: Protecting People

- Current charitable regulations focus on operations and fiscal compliance
- Ethics and guidelines focus on protection of donors (Donor Bill of Rights; AFP Code of Ethics)
- No standards, codes, or laws for donor conduct towards fundraisers

But **HOW** are we protecting fundraisers?

The laws around harassment need to change

#NDOC: Organizational Change

- Policies and procedures are the bare minimum
- Culture is set at the highest level senior leaders and boards
- Educate everyone at all levels about this issue
- Empower members of your team to act
- ► Take a **principled stand** on this issue lead by example

Our industry must do better

#NDOC: Become an Ally

- Allyship is key to changing the power dynamics
- Acknowledge your privilege
- Make space for others (especially those marginalized)
- Be willing to have uncomfortable conversations
- See Something, Say Something, DO something

#NDOC: Call To ACTION

SYSTEMS CHANGE:

- Advocate for changes to harassment legislation across Canada
- ▶ Push for a Fundraiser Bill of Rights to be adopted by all organizations

ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE:

- Ensure your organization has the policies and procedures to address this issue
- Culture is key create a safe space where fundraisers can report

► INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT:

- Sign up for ROSA and VESTA as tools for employees
- Bystander training

#NDOC: Partner Organizations

ROSA: Canadian Women's Foundation & After Me Too

- Digital platform being developed with Federal funding
- Centralizes law, reporting options, how to prepare, etc., in one place
 - Donations: https://www.aftermetoo.com/
 - ▶ Twitter: @cdnwomenfdn @aftermetoo
 - ► LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/company/the-canadian-women's-foundation/
 - ► Facebook: @CanadianWomensFoundation

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Next Gen Men

- Social Enterprise co-founded by Jake Sitka and Jermal Alleyne
- Focused on creating spaces to engage, educate, and empower men and boys around gender.
- Sign up for more information & support programming
 - ▶ Donations: https://nextgenmen.ca > donate
 - Email: info@nextgenmen.ca
 - ► Twitter, Facebook & Instagram: @nextgenmen
 - LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/company/next-gen-men/

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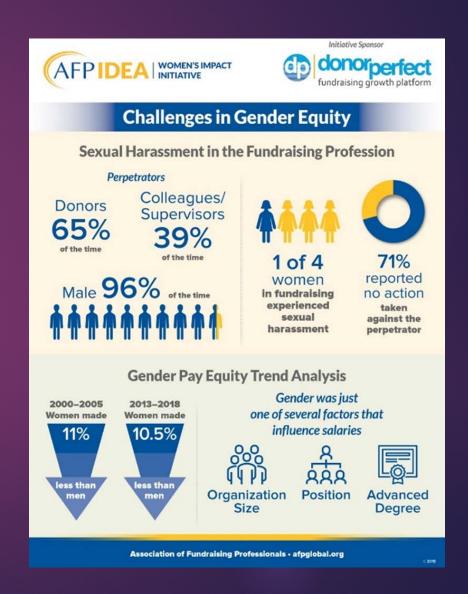
Vesta Social Innovation Technologies

- Founded by Lucrezia Spagnolo (CEO)
- An online platform and app that allows victims of sexual assault and harassment to document their experience in real time
- To sign up and learn more: https://www.vestasit.com/
 - ► Twitter: https://twitter.com/vestasit
 - ▶ Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/VestaSIT/
 - ► LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/company/vesta-social-innovation-technologies/?originalSubdomain=ca

#NDOC: Additional Resources

AFP Women's Impact Initiative

- Assess, address, and highlight specific challenges that women in the fundraising sector face
- Library of research and resources available
- www.afpidea.org
- Liz LeClair, Chair 2019-2020



#NDOC: Schedule for Day

(Eastern Time Zone)

- 7:00 am EST: Kick Off for #NDOC (Liz LeClair)
- 9:00 am EST: FB Live Discussion on Org Culture (TBC) (Halifax)
- ▶ **11 am EST**: TBC
- ▶ 12:30 pm EST: Facebook Live with Canadian Women's Foundation (Toronto)
- 1:00 pm: Facebook Live Discussion with Jamal Alleyne (KW)
- 2 pm EST: Facebook Round Table with Wanda Deschamps (Kitchener Waterloo)
- ► 5 pm EST: Facebook Live Roundtable on Allyship with Next Gen Men (Vancouver)

#NDOC: Hastags

- ▶ #NDOC
- #NationalDayofConversation
- #Women4Women
- #EquityforAll

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