Digital Storytelling: Empowering Survivors and Communities through Personal Stories

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Webinar Agenda

• Background on **StoryCenter**

• Rationale for Using Storytelling to Address Sexual Assault

• Overview of Our Digital Storytelling Methodology

• Exploring Impacts Through Case Study Examples

• What Does it Take? Resources, Tools, Options …

• Questions and Discussion
Background on StoryCenter

• Developed original digital storytelling methodology in 1993

• Lengthy history of collaborative work with community-based and institutional partners around the world

• Accessible to individuals at all levels of experience as storytellers and video editors (we are skilled at adapting our methods for non-literate or low-literacy groups)
Rationale for Using Personal Storytelling to Address Sexual Assault

Research shows that telling and listening to stories can …

• increase **self-esteem** and **wellbeing**
• provide **information / skill-building**
• **help communities bond and become politicized**
• **inspire people to take action for change**
• influence **public policy and legislative decision-making**
Overview of Our Digital Storytelling Methodology

• Finding Your Story: “7 Steps” of Digital Storytelling; Story Circle

• Hearing Your Story: Script Writing and Recording

• Seeing Your Story: Image Collection and Production

• Bringing it All Together: Video Editing; Story Screening

Read about our approach to ethical practice …
Exploring Impacts Through Case Study Examples: Introduction

* This model is grounded in the Social-Ecological Model for public health prevention
Exploring Impacts Through Case Study Examples: Asian Women’s Shelter (AWS)

Developing stories for use as training tools, to enhance understanding of how providers and communities can support diverse Asian and Pacific Islander communities.

View Story
Exploring Impacts Through Case Study Examples: Project Survive

Positioning community college students’ stories as key ingredients for community education and advocacy.
What Does it Take? Resources, Tools, Options …

• Resources (Financial and Human)

• Tools (Sharing, Recording, Editing)

• Options: Full Digital Storytelling Workshop or Story Circle Sessions Combined with Photography Training
Questions and Discussion

Thank You!

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