

LCCEWA RECOMMENDATIONS

Three Pillar Foundation to Creating a Safe London for Women's and Girls

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▶ The London Coordinating Committee (LCCEWA) is a network of organizations, groups and individuals in London dedicated to ending woman abuse through leadership and actions that achieve both social justice for women and an integrated response to abused women and their children.

INTRODUCTION

- ► The London Coordinating Committee (LCCEWA) recommends that a three pillar framework be used as the foundation for advancing the strategic area of focus Creating a Safe London for Women and Girls
- ► The recommended three foundational pillars include:
 - ► Legislation, Policies, By-laws
 - ▶ Public Awareness and Education
 - ► Fully Funded Services

RECOMMENDATIONS

- > 30.5% off police charges laid for violent incidents were woman abuse
- ▶ 64% increase of human trafficking charges
- > 49% increase in crisis calls for domestic or sexual violence
- 43% of women in shelter stayed longer than 30 days due to lack of housing
- Anova turned away 2553 women due to shortage of shelter beds
- Counselling numbers for domestic violence, sexual violence & human trafficking were stunning:
- My Sister's Place increase of 28%
- London Abused Women's Centre increase of 103%
- Daya Counselling Increase of 46%

THE NUMBERS ARE STAGGERING

- ► Legislation, policies, by-laws
- ► Public awareness and education
- ► Fully funded services

FOUNDATION – THE THREE PILLARS

- All legislation, policies and by-laws must be developed through the lens of the impact on women and girls
- ► The staff recommendations will include the impact of their recommendations on women and girls
- Whether it be housing, community services, transit, bike lanes, development or budgets, the impact on women and girls of each recommendation must be included

LEGISLATION, POLICIES, BY-LAWS

- Many organizations are doing great work in our city around public awareness and education. There is no need to re-invent trainings, toolkits or campaigns.
- ► City led boards and commissions should consider mandating training on men's violence against women to ensure they are supporting the city's strategic goals
- ► The I Step Forward training for all City of London staff should be reviewed to include an intersectional lens, specifically to speak to the strengths and supports for minoritized & Francophone women, as well as those who are trafficked.

PUBLIC AWARENESS AND EDUCATION

- ► Public not for profit agencies
- ▶ Identify and work to fill gaps
- ► Fund at living wages or greater
- ► Change the focus and language back to people
- ► Change reporting and requirements to fit with current needs

FULLY FUNDED SERVICES

QUESTIONS