### **ACTIVISM CAMPAIGNS**

## INSTIGATE = ACTIVISM CAMPAIGN



## Discussion

## Amnesty Campaign to end violence against women

- Eliminating the discrimination that is a root cause
- Addresses patterns of violations and individual cases
- Calls for responsibility at individual, community and state levels
- Partnerships with other organizations
- Research based and informed by ongoing research
- Tools including strategic policy advocacy, events, research, media work and internet based activism

**Violence Against Women** 

### Why does it matter?

- A comprehensive approach helps to promote change
- Effecting change from the individual level up through to the state/national level
- Public awareness and education are a key component
- Collaboration with other agencies to strengthen efforts
- Take opportunities to focus on special populations

### Amnesty's Layered Approach

- Gender Awareness Workshops
- Campaigning to stop violence against women
- Human rights education workshop for youth
- Human rights education workshop for journalists
- Human rights education workshop for nongovernmental organizations
- Policy recommendations and advocacy

### Gender awareness workshops

- Reflection and deeper understanding of:
  - Gender as a social construct
  - Gender discrimination

And their link to violence against women

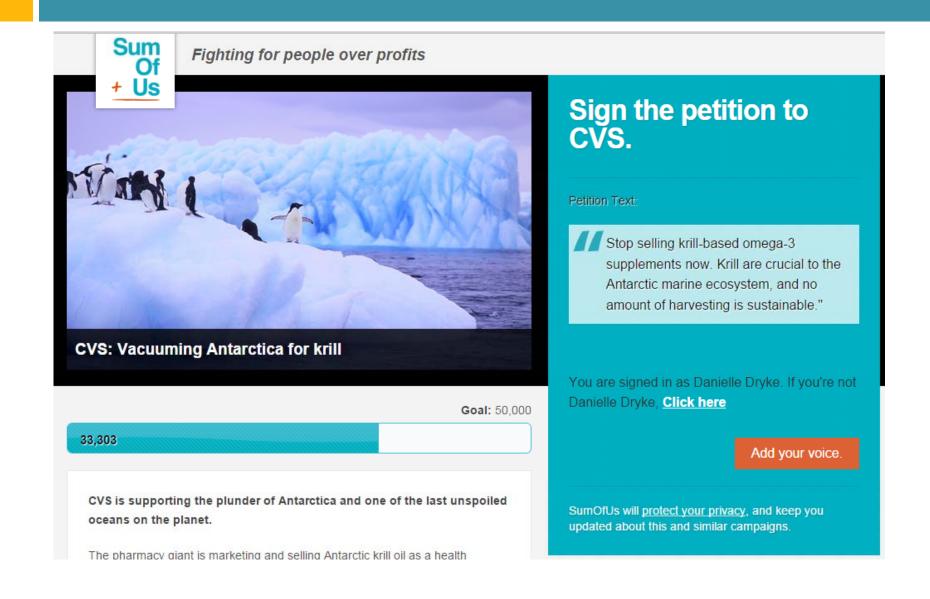
## Specialist Human Rights Education workshops

- Locate Women's Rights within the Human Rights framework
- Become aware of main barriers to preventing VAW including the public/private dichotomy
- Understand key terminology surrounding gender issues
- Explore ways of addressing VAW
- Set own action methods and goals

### What are the benefits of E-Activism?

- Wider reach
- Participation is quick and accessible
- Interactive
- Easy for participants to share information and opportunities with others
- Participants can do as little or as much as they wish

### Online petitions



## Banners or widgets on relevant websites



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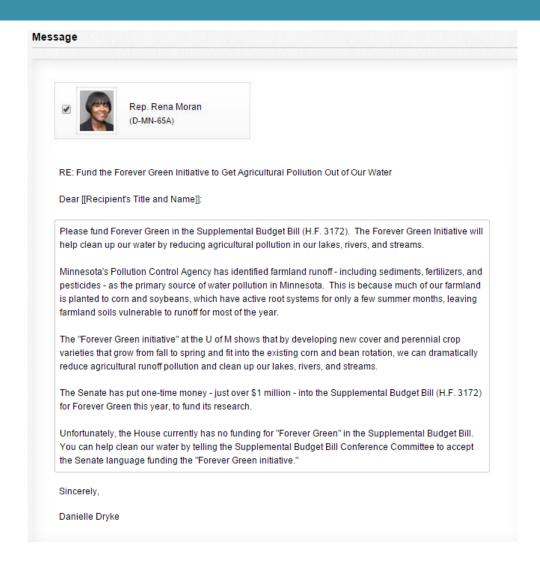
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#### Abolish the death penalty

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# Sending pre-written letters to legislators and policy makers



## Campaign pages on social media



## Guest blogs

## National Debate Must Connect the Dots on Abuses in the USA



BY GUEST WRITER
January 14, 2015 at 12:55 PM









By Zack Michaelson

Our nation is currently in a debate about how to handle gross abuses of power by those tasked with defending us. In past weeks, we have learned more about the vast conspiracy of



## Online community forums for discussion of relevant issues



View unanswered posts • View active topics

WELCOME TO TALKMD	TOPICS	POSTS	LAST POST
Forum News and Updates Rules - Updates - Scheduled Maintenance - Troubleshooting	12	108	by taungfox D 17 Jun 2013, 08:57
Forum FAQ and Feedback Got a problem with the forum? Want to share your ideas? Post here!	11	40	by <b>AMGmod</b> □ 14 Jun 2013, 12:54

### **Tips**

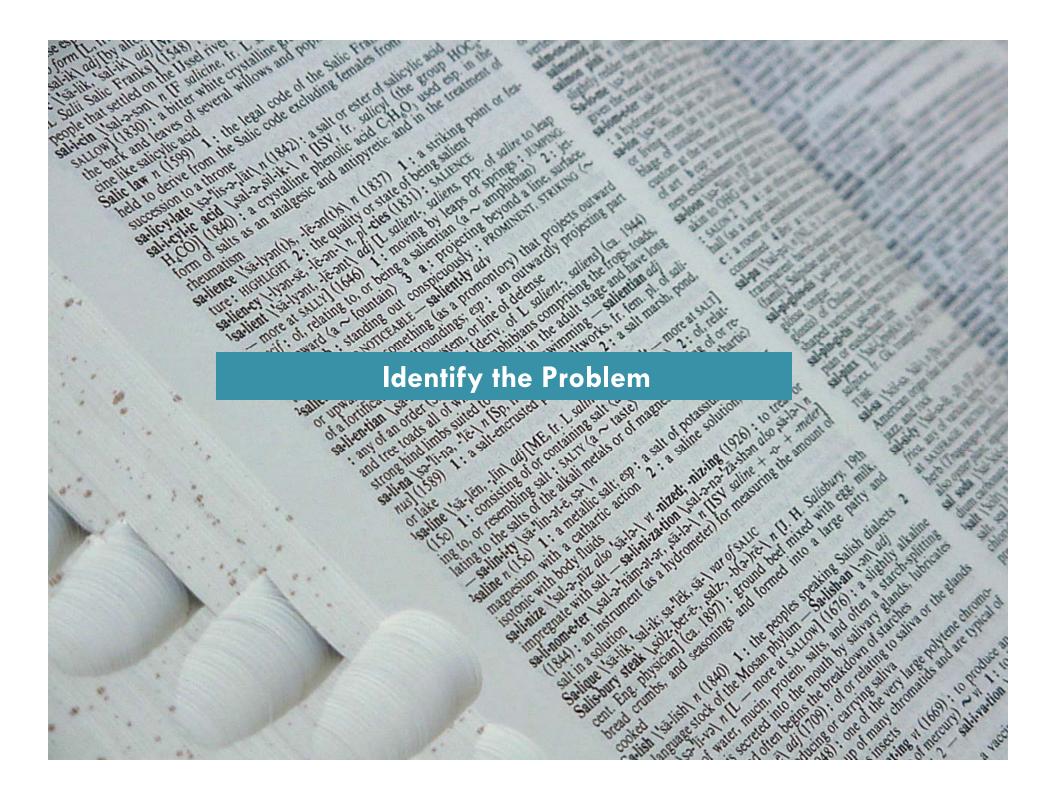
- Encourage people to engage their contacts after they participate and to share other information
- Generate interest by presenting the issues in an engaging and relevant manner
- Include links to where people can learn more or act more
- Keep postings short and to the point, do not use large images or files that will take a long time to load
- Ask staff to participate online to generate interest
- Include clear instructions for any requests for action

## Discussion

## Campaign Planning

# INSTIGATE Model Tips for Activism Campaigns

- Ensure it is do-able and winnable
- Work with like-minded allies on campaign activities
- Go directly to the person who can make the changes happen
- □ Give activity participants a next step for action



#### Consider:

- What do you want the campaign to eliminate?
- What is the at the root of the problem?
- What specific action will create change?

## IN CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1776. The unanimous Declaration of the Bruen united States of Memerica. **Analyze Relevant Legislation** Josiah Bartleto Min Mingle Saan! Linu

## As part of identifying the issue consider:

- 1. What laws are in place that perpetuate gender inequity or allow gender discrimination or violence to take place with impunity?
- 2. What laws are required to allow authorities to most effectively prosecute perpetrators of SV/IPV?
- 3. Are there effective mechanisms for investigating acts of SV/IPV?
- 4. What protection is available for victims of SV/IPV?
- 5. What access do victims have to appropriate treatment, protection and redress? Is the treatment available regardless of the victim's social, economic or citizenship status?

#### Map the External and Internal Background Context



# Analyze the context in which the campaign will be operating.

- 1. What are the key factors that will affect the way you choose your objectives and position your campaign?
- 2. Consider how economic, social, cultural, political and legal trends in your community are impacting on the reality and perception of women, human rights and violence.

#### **Set Objectives: SMART Goals**

**S** Specific

Measureable

A Attainable

**R** Realistic

Time-bound

## The mapping analysis will influence the following areas:

- 1. What is the objective you think will most improve the situation in your community at present?
- 2. What change do you realistically hope to make?
- 3. Which opinion-formers and decision-makers will you target?
- 4. What is the "mood" of the campaign?

#### **Developing a Strategy**

- Situation Analysis
- Objectives
- Tactics
- Action Plans
- Action

Evaluation

**Situation Analysis:** What are our strengths and weaknesses? What external factors affect our work?

**Objectives:** What can we realistically hope to achieve? How will we measure whether we have succeeded?

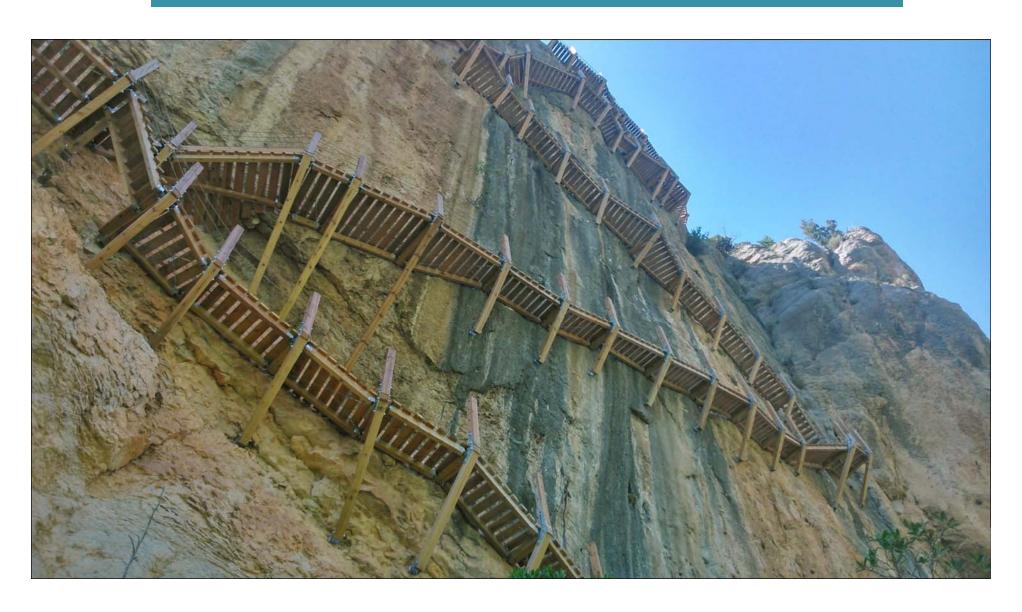
**Tactics:** How can we achieve our objectives? Who should we approach? What techniques will be most effective?

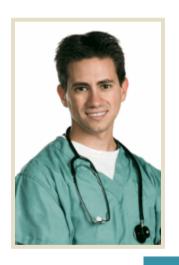
**Action plans:** what do we need to do? Who will do it? When? How much will it cost?

**Action:** Do it! NB periodic reviews. How's it going? Do we need to modify our plans?

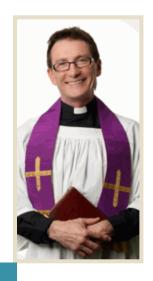
**Evaluation:** Did we achieve our objectives? What went well? Less well? What have we learnt for next time?

#### Identify the critical steps/pathway in the campaign









#### **Identify Target Audiences**







#### Consider:

- Who has the power to make the changes that your objectives call for?
- Can you reach them directly? If not, who can?
- What is their current understanding of the legal situation and of the cultural construction of IPV/SV?
- What barriers or misconceptions do you need to address?
- What messages do you need to get across to inspire them to take the action you want?
- Who are the individual decision makers? Who holds the power to create change?

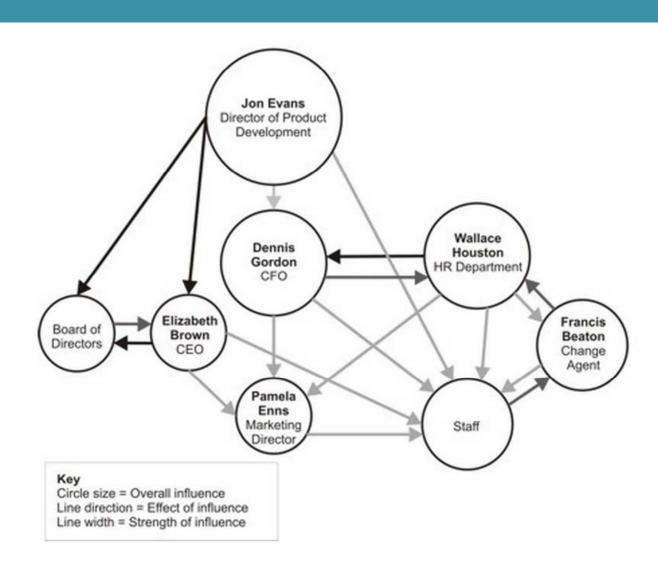




#### Determine an Approach for Each Audience



## Influence Mapping



#### Plan campaign activities



### Select communication mediums

- Local papers
- Public meetings
- Internet
- Others

### Develop products

- Website
- Leaflets
- Postcards
- Letters and emails
- Videos
- Radio spots
- A play
- Regular newspaper articles or guest blogs
- Car stickers



## **Monitor Change**



and
Report
Back



## Discussion

### Example of an opportunity

 The banning of jeggings, yoga pants and leggings in Devil's Lake





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