

Shift the Project to End Domestic Violence: Update

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Feminism is for everybody.

Building a national network with Next Gen Men

Thank you to all who participated in our webinar: *National Gender Equality Study Results, Tomorrow's Men Today*. This format proved to be an effective way to connect and discuss the results of our [national study](#) and to set the foundation for a national network of male-identified allies working for gender equality—a key recommendation from participants of the study.

Along with our partner [Next Gen Men](#), we will continue to consult and connect with feminist leaders across Canada.

Shift Engagement



Healthy Youth Relationships Strategy Update: Engaging parents to prevent teen dating violence

Over the past few months, Lianne Lee, director of Shift's HYR Strategy, has gathered input from 47 individuals representing 34 community organizations and parent groups for feedback on a new initiative to engage parents/primary caregivers to prevent teen dating violence. We invite you to join our upcoming consultation session, details below.

Engaging Parents to Prevent Teen Dating Violence

Join us for the next community information and feedback session to help us answer "What should this approach look like in practice?"

Tuesday March 3, 2020

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Triwood Community Association

2244 Chicoutimi Drive NW Calgary

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Lana Wells opening keynote at CDVC6 2020

Lana Wells, will deliver the opening keynote address at the [Canadian Domestic Violence Conference 6](#) on March 5, in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Her keynote will summarize a decade of lessons learned, along with examples of efforts that are engaging and mobilizing men and boys that do not reinforce or recreate gendered power inequities.

Join her in Halifax on March 5!

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Elena Esina delivers graduation keynote

On November 9, 2019 Elena was invited to address the first graduates of the Natural Supporter Domestic Violence Training Program, sponsored by the [North of McKnight Communities Society](#). Read the full story [here](#).



Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter honours Lana with Tulip Award

This past November, Lana was recognized by the [Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter \(CWES\)](#) for her significant contributions in the prevention of violence against women and supporting Calgary families. This is the second Tulip Award Lana has received for her work with CWES.

New Publications

[Supporting Best Practices: Guidelines for Funding Programs that Engage and Mobilize Men and Boys in Violence Prevention](#)

Men and boys are important leaders, allies, stakeholders, and co-beneficiaries in the pursuit of gender equality. These guidelines are targeted to funders and policy makers investing in engaging and mobilizing men and boys in violence prevention so they do not reinforce the inequalities we are all trying to eliminate.

[Primary Prevention of Violence Against Women and Girls: Current Knowledge about Program Effectiveness](#)

This report was written for [Women and Gender Equality, Status of Women Canada](#) to provide an extensive review and evaluation of Canadian gender-based violence prevention programs. The authors offer an overview and evaluation of effective programs, discuss areas for further study, and make recommendations for the path forward.

Shift in the News

[Calgary faces domestic violence epidemic, experts say](#)

CBC Calgary — Following the news of Melissa Rae Blommaert's death, Lana speaks about the need to invest in primary prevention to stop domestic violence.

[Restorative justice lets sexual-assault survivors take back their power](#)

Globe and Mail — Lana says there is a lot of promise for the success of restorative justice and her upcoming research aims to explore and analyze the effectiveness of alternative justice approaches in the Canadian context.

[How restorative justice programs can help sexual-assault survivors](#)

The Danielle Smith Show — Lana chatted with Danielle Smith to highlight the promise of and need for restorative justice options in Alberta and Canada.

[Why men need to be part of the quest for gender equality in Canada](#)

The Star (Calgary) — Lana talks with Star reporter, Madeline Smith, about what she has learned from talking to men about their experiences working for gender equality in Canada and how we can better support their involvement.

[What men need to champion gender equality: National social work study finds men need more connection, mentorship](#)

UToday — The article presents key findings from Shift's national study, *Tomorrow's Men Today*, and how building a national network of pro-feminist men can support and encourage more men to promote gender equality and stop gender-based violence.

[Domestic and gender-based violence: Joint statement](#)

[CFL, domestic violence organizations meet to raise awareness ahead of Grey Cup](#)

CTV News — Prior to the Grey Cup weekend, Leela Sharon Aheer, Minister of Culture, Multiculturalism and Status of Women, along with Canadian Football League Commissioner, Randy Ambrosie issued a joint statement to raise awareness of domestic violence. Their joint statement referenced The School of Public Policy and Shift's [2017 study](#) that connected an increase in reports of domestic violence to certain holidays and sporting events.

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