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NAMEN News

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We welcome your thoughts in inputs on the content and information we share. If you have comments, suggestions or concerns, please contact Rus Funk, Program Consultant.

What's up with NAMEN

NAMEN is hosting a special webinar in honor of Fathers Day. "Mobilizing Dads to Support Gender Equality" will explore a variety of programs desicgned specifically to engage and mobilize fathers (of both daughters and sons) in work to prevent gender-based violence and promote gender-equality, as well as how fathering and activism impact on each other in the lives of our panelists.

Join Rus Funk, Program Consultant with NAMEN and father of a 10 yr old who will facilitate this conversation, along with panelists:

- Emiliano Dias de Leon, Men's Engagement Specialist with the Texas Association Against Sexual Assault and father of a 10 yr old;
- Grea Loughlin is the Director of Community Engagement with Men Stopping

Violence and the father of a 12 year old; and

 Humberto Carolo, Executive Director of White Ribbon Campaign, and the father of an 18, 19 and 21 year olds.

NAMEN is crafting a "State of the Field" report to review the current status of male engagement and mobilizing efforts in the US and Canada. This review will include current efforts, lessons we're learning from these efforts, the impact of the pandemic, integration of anti-racist practices in our efforts, and the role of policy advocacy. We will be reaching out to many of you in the coming weeks. If you want to be sure you or your organization is included in this review, contact Rus Funk, Program Consultant.

News from the Field

There is so much going on in our world just now. Between Covid 19, and the last couple of weeks of unprecedented racial uprising, we find ourselves in a huge swirl and the context for us to do our work is in a constant and tremendous flux.

NAMEN and the Global Alliance released this joint statement calling on increasing efforts to end systemic racism, and integrating this work into our efforts.

NAMEN Board member and Executive Director of the Women of Color Network, Tonya Lovelace crafted this powerful article on "the Politics of Breath in COVID 19 and the Carceral State."

NAMEN member organization, Men Stopping Violence based in Atlanta crafted this statement on "White Supremacy in the Movement to End Violence Against Women."

White Ribbon Campaign also released a statement calling "Allies Everywhere Need to Speak up Against Anti-Black Violence, Racism, Misogyny, Colonialism, Homophobia and All forms of Discrimination."

While not directly from the Field, Haymarket Press has made *Who Do You Serve, Who Do You Protect? :Police Violence and Resistance in the United States* available for free download.

What is absolutely clear is that while we continue to expand our work, there is a critical need for us to better integrate efforts to combat racial injustice and inequality into our work and efforts. NAMEN looks forward to working with yall to develop resources, tools and strategies to do so.

Resources

This issue will be the last issue that goes out before Fathers Day. In light of that, as one way of honoring fathers, and to draw attention to some of the efforts to engage and mobilize dads, the bulk of the resource we're sharing this week focus specifically on engaging dads. Below you'll find some key literature, as well as website links to engaging men efforts.

In Honor of Father's Day, the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence published the following podcast: "Stories of Transformation: Honoring Advocate Fathers" featuring Johnny Rice, Lamont Jones and Rus Funk.

Reports/Articles

Give Love Get Love: The Involved Father and Gender Equality Project. (White Ribbon Project, 2014) (93 pgs)

Half the Equation -- Why fathers are just as important as mothers in preventing domestic violence in the next generation. (Shift, 2014) (12 pgs).

No Man Left Behind: How and why to include fathers in government funded parenting strategies. (Shift, 2016) (45 pgs).

Preventing and Addressing Intimate Violence when Engaging Dads (PAIVED):

Challenges, Success and Promising Practices from Responsible Fatherhood Programs.

(ChildTrends, Boston Medical Center and Futures Without Violence, 2020) (58 pgs).

Promoting Men's Engagement as Equitable, Non-violent Fathers and Caregivers in Children's Early Lives: Programmatic reflections and recommendations (Plan International and Promundo) (7 pgs).

Supporting Young Fathers as a Prevention Strategy for Stopping Intimate Partner Violence in the Next Generation. (Shift, 2014) (25 pgs).

What we know about Masculinity, Fatherhood and Caregiving (Promundo, 2019).

Websites

Because we have Daughters is a program of Men Stopping Violence

Its Starts with You, It Stays with Him is a social media campaign by White Ribbon Campaign

MenCare: A global Fatherhood Campaign

Additional Resources

Check out these brand new "Cards For Masculinity" created by Next Gen Men. "Boys will be (boys) what we give them the space to be." Next Gen Men's new Cards Against For Masculinity is a full deck of 50 bold questions for brave conversations. These cards are designed to help spark the conversations boys wish they could have about what it means 'to be a man.'

Promundo released this report Fostering Healthy Masculinity in Challenging Times that explores the contact of the current pandemic and staying at home with our sons provides opportunities to support them towards more healthy and robust expressions of their

humanity.

Last Note

NAMEN is reliant on your support for our efforts and growth. Please invite your friends, colleagues and others to join NAMEN, and consider making an additional donation to support NAMEN as we continue to grow in our efforts and effectiveness.

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