

"Part of the Solution"

Engaging Newcomer Men and Boys in Gender-Based Violence Prevention



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National GBV Strategy for Agencies Serving Immigrants





Ymca Centre For Immigrant Programs

As a multi-service organization committed to building healthy communities the YMCA of Greater Halifax/Dartmouth offers a variety of programming that supports newcomer settlement and integration with a focus on families, being placed-based, being active, and being engaged in community.

Gender-Based Violence Prevention Program



GBV Prevention and Awareness programs with Newcomer Clients (All ages)



Women and Girls



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Build Capacity and Knowledge of Service Providers



Men and Boys



Adults

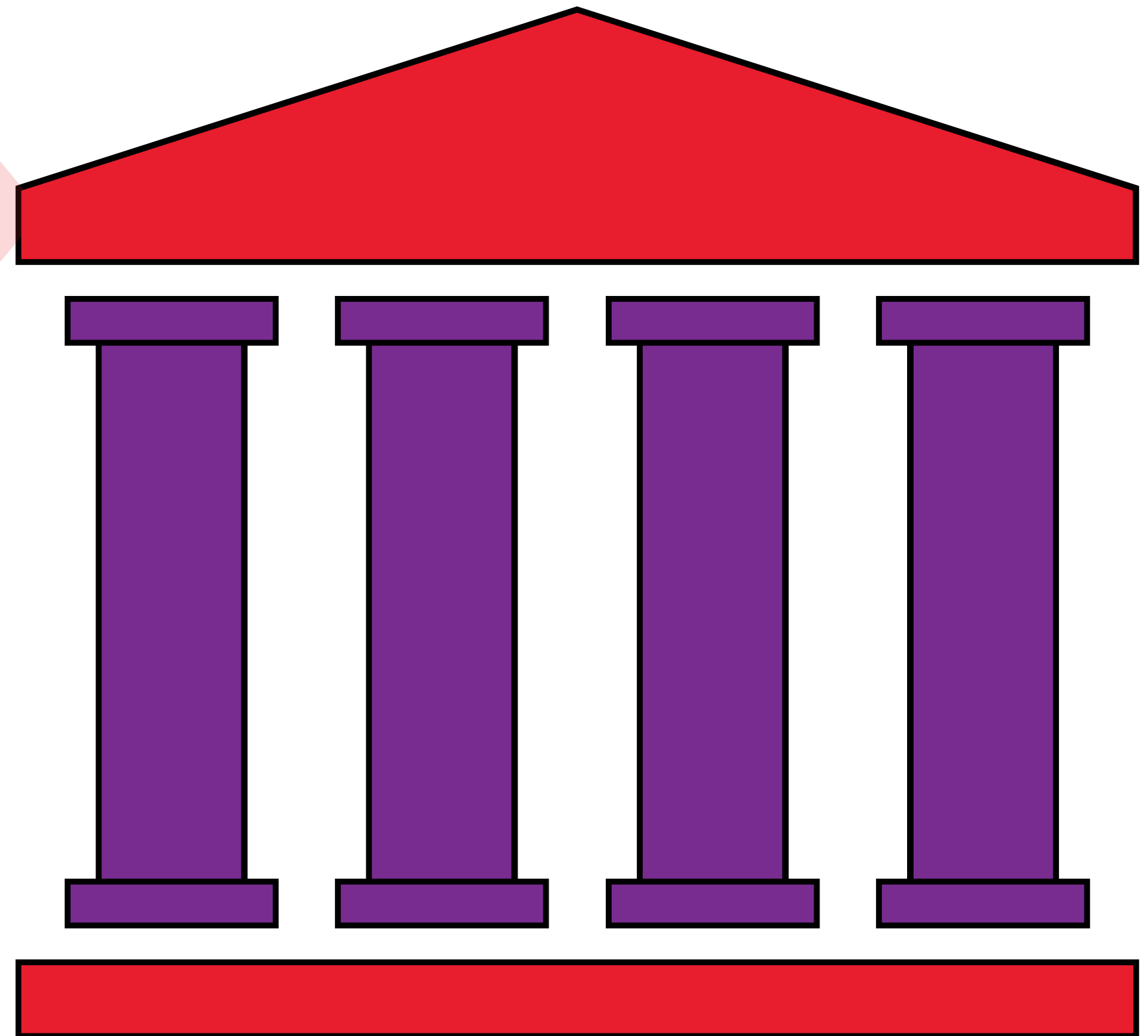
Gender-Based Violence

- Violence Against Women
- Homophobia and Transphobia
- Sexualized Violence
- Family Violence
- Domestic Violence/Intimate Partner Violence
- Human Trafficking

Contributing/Causes Factors

- Lack of awareness on GBV
- Toxic masculinity
- Trauma, stress
- Victim Blaming
- Forced gender roles

We need to both address the violence itself and what supports, normalizes and contributes to violence continuing



Approaches

1. Trauma and Violence Informed
2. Cultural Humility
3. Anti Oppressive and Anti Racist Approach
4. Intersectionality
5. GBA+
6. GBV Prevention Centered
7. Feminist Lens

Peer
Supportive
Space

Led by
Newcomer
Men

Model
Positive
Masculinity

Participatory
Action
Orientated
programs



Themes....

Healthy vs
Unhealthy
Relationships

Pressures and
Expectations of
Men

Mental Health
and Wellness

GBV Awareness
Violence Against
Women
Consent
Laws

Conflict
Resolution
Managing Anger

Homophobia
Transphobia
and 2SLGBTQIA+ Rights

Gender Equality
and Rights

Culture Shock and
Social Norms

Men's Role in GBV
Prevention and
Allyship

Parenting and
Healthy Families



Some examples of our GBVP Men and Boys Programs



Men Talk

A space for Immigrant men to connect, share, learn and discuss social issues connected to violence prevention.

- Practice English and connect with other newcomer men.
- Discuss and learn about social issues that impact men, their relationships, family and community
- Focus on men's role in preventing violence in the communities, with a focus on gender-based violence prevention.

November Programs

Who: Adult Immigrant Men (Must 21+ years or older)

When:

- Saturday, November 16 6:00-pm-8:00pm
- Saturday, November 30 6:00pm-8:00pm

Where:
YMCA Immigrant Centre Bayers Rd

For More Information:
Contact: Manaf or Maduk:
(English/Arabic/Kiswahili)
Text/Phone/Whats App: 1 902 237 5597

Manaf.mansour@halifax.ymca.ca
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YMCA Gender-Based Violence Prevention Project



African Men Network

Join this immigrant men's group where you can learn, connect, share and discuss social topics that impact men's health, their families and the community.

AMN engages men in being part of preventing gender-based violence in their communities.

November Programs

Who: Immigrant/Newcomer Men of African Descent who are registered with YMCA

Where: YMCA Immigrant Services 7071 Bayers Road, Unit 104

Interpretation:
Arabic and Kiswahili

When:
Thursday November 21
6:00pm-8:00pm

For More Information

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(English, Arabic, Kiswahili)



Young Men's Leadership Program

Greater Halifax/Dartmouth

Goals of Impact

Immigrant Young Men's Leadership group using soccer to explore positive leadership, conflict resolution and positive masculinity.

- Play Soccer, games and have fun
- Build Leadership Skills and explore positive masculinity
- Practice Positive Change in Action on violence prevention
- Connect, Make Friends and build a team that is supportive, positive and inclusive

August/September Program Dates

When: Saturdays 2:00-4:00
Aug 3, Aug 17, Aug 31
Sept 7, Sept 21

Who: Immigrant Men ages 16-25 years old (Must be registered at YMCA Immigrant Services)

Must Register By Contacting:

- manaf.mansour@halifax.ymca.ca
- 902 237 5597 (English/Arabic/Kiswahili)
- Briana at Work

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Healthy Families Workshop

Promoting Rights and Safety in Relationships and Parenting

We will discuss:

- What are signs of healthy or unhealthy relationships?
- What is gender-based violence?
- What are the laws around Child Protection in Canada?
- What are your rights and laws in Canada?
- Where can you or a friend go for support?

When: Friday Oct 25th at 10am-12pm
Where: YMCA Immigrant Services (7071 Bayers Road Unit 104)
Who: Adult Newcomer Clients

Register by contacting
ayesha.naqvi@halifax.ymca.ca or call 902-301-6572

TEXT





Man Box Project

**We all need to be included in
the prevention of Gender-Based
Violence**

**Let's invite men to see the need
for them to be actively part of
the solution**



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