## Metastudy «Community work projects to prevent violence against women»

Key Points of the Metastudy	
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Background	Sabine Stövesand is the founder of «StoP», a neighborhood based model to prevent and combat violence against women. Around 37 communities in Germany and Austria are using the model to do grass-roots work for social change (www.stop-partnergewalt.org).  We are striving to improve this work by learning from others all around the world. The value of community approaches should become visible. The study aims to contribute in developing a prevention strategy that includes civic society.
Issue	World wide desk research and information contacts: <u>concerning projects</u> , <u>reports</u> , <u>and evaluations on neighbourhood initiatives and community</u> <u>work projects to prevent violence against women</u> .
Goal	Overview-report on community work to prevent violence against women: state of the art; diversity of initiatives; preventive potential.
Time frame	September, 19th till end of November 2022
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## What is the metastudy doing?

<u>Searching:</u> We are doing a desk research, looking in all continents and countries for projects and initatives in the field of «community based projects to prevent violence against women». These projects and initiatives can be small scale as well as broad activities.

<u>Documenting:</u> While finding projects and initiatives we aim to get meaningful documentation. This can be evaluations, as well as project descriptions, reports, manuals, leaflets, videos, and so forth.

<u>Analysing and reporting:</u> We'll analyse the material in order to get insight into questions such as: Which paths are promising; learnings; best practice? What are the challenges in establishing community work initiatives? What outcomes have been verified; contribution to prevention?

<u>Spreading the knowledge:</u> The University of Applied Sciences Hamburg will held an online conference in December 2022. The results of the metastudy will be presented and discussed. A report will follow.

## **Questions for Key Persons**

- a. Are you part of a community work project which aims to prevent violence against women and girls?
  - If yes, could you mail us information about your project/initiative: evaluations, project descriptions, reports, manuals, leaflets, videos, and other material, if available?
  - We may have further questions: could we in this case come back to you, or another responsible person?
- b. <u>Do you know of other initiatives and/or projects</u> in the field of community organised initiatives with the intent to prevent violence against women and girls?
  - Be it in your country or anywhere else in the world; we are looking everywhere for projects in order to collect creative and innovative approaches.
  - If you know of such projects, could you please provide us with project name and the name of a responsible person, e-mail-address, and other relevant information?
- c. Do you have other relevant information for us?

If so, we are looking forward with interest to hear more about your ideas, thoughts etc.

## You reach us via our contact address

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