



In this space, we prioritize the comfort, feelings, and needs of current and former sex workers as well as sex trafficking survivors.

In this space:

1. We start by allowing everyone to introduce themselves, their preferred name, pronouns & identity.
2. We don't make assumptions about people's gender identity, sexual orientation, ethnicity, ability, or work experiences. We don't participate in the hierarchy and we do not engage in gossip.
3. We value anonymity. We don't out anyone's identity or story. What's said here stays here. We do not disclose who attends this group outside of its members.
4. We prioritize mutual aid and community care for sex workers and sex trafficking survivors in our direct communities.
5. We speak from our own experiences, what works for one might not work for all. Take what you need and leave the rest.
6. We welcome you to come as you are and do not make assumptions or judgments about anyone.
7. We are respectful of others. We don't interrupt. We don't cross talk. We are respectful in disagreement. This is a call-in culture and not a call-out culture. We ask that you be gentle with one another.
8. If someone has said something that triggers or offends you, we ask you to text them privately and let them know. We assume "best intentions" and work through conflict together.
9. When someone is sharing, we do offer advice unless we ask if advice would be welcomed.
10. We recognize that many of us are traumatized individuals, and we remember to be kind to each other and forgive one another for our mistakes. As a support group, a trigger warning should be automatic and people can feel comfortable leaving at any time, and also come back at any time to do what's best for their mental well-being, without question or judgment.
11. This space is a safe space to share, and we ask that everyone demonstrate a willingness to learn, a willingness to teach, and a willingness to make amends.
12. [Values](#)

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Ice Breaker Questions - [Link](#)

Topic? Quote? Reading?

VALUES



WE WILL NOT PROMOTE POLICIES OR NARRATIVES THAT FURTHER REINFORCE THE FALSE "VIOLENT/NON-VIOLENT" DICHOTOMY OR RESULT IN HARM TO ANY OF OUR FAMILY MEMBERS, INCLUDING THOSE WHO ARE DESIGNATED AS "TOO DANGEROUS."



WE WILL NOT PROMOTE POLICIES THAT GIVE MORE POWER OR RESOURCES TO STRUCTURES WITHIN THE CRIMINAL LEGAL SYSTEM. WE ADVOCATE TO SHIFT PUBLIC RESOURCES FROM PUNITIVE SYSTEMS AND INSTITUTIONS TO COMMUNITY-ACCOUNTABLE AND COMMUNITY-CONTROLLED ALTERNATIVES.



WE SUPPORT POLICIES THAT BUILD COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE AND ALLOW FOR EXPERIMENTATION OF COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION AND CRIMINALIZATION. WE REJECT ANY POLICIES THAT FORCE OUR COMMUNITIES TO POLICE AND SURVEIL ONE ANOTHER.



WE REJECT REFORMS THAT CREATE MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR FOR-PROFIT PRIVATE COMPANIES AND CORPORATIONS TO FINANCIALLY BENEFIT FROM THE CRIMINAL LEGAL SYSTEM.



WE ADOPT AN INTERSECTIONAL ANALYSIS. WE BELIEVE THAT THOSE TRADITIONALLY AT THE MARGINS BEAR THE BURDEN OF THE HARMS OF THE CRIMINAL LEGAL SYSTEM AND ARE MOST LIKELY TO BE LEFT BEHIND IN REFORM EFFORTS.