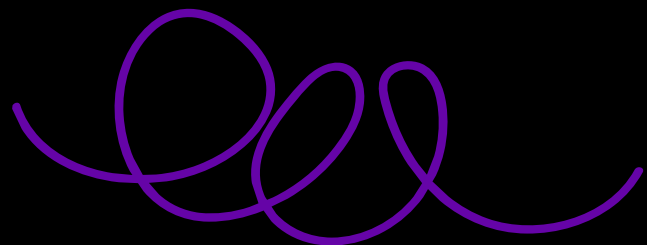


# Fact Sheet

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## What we love



### Focus on prevention

The plan acknowledges the importance of prevention of GBV in all its forms by addressing the root causes of violence and challenging social norms that perpetuate GBV. The plan recognized the importance of investing in evidence-informed and evidence based strategies, programs, research, solutions and policies that aim to prevent violence before it happens. By prioritising prevention efforts, the plan recognizes that addressing GBV requires long-term systemic changes rather than solely responding to individual incidents.



### Data collection and research

The plan recognizes the importance of improving research and data collection about the nature and scope of GBV, including online gender-based violence. By enhancing research efforts and capturing information in federal datasets on marginalised and underserved communities, the plan aims to fill gaps in understanding and ensure that policies and interventions are tailored to meet the specific needs of these populations, while also collecting the evidence base of what works to prevent GBV.



### Comprehensive approach to GBV

The plan recognizes that GBV occurs in various spaces, including homes, schools, workplaces, and online platforms. By acknowledging the different contexts in which GBV takes place, the plan demonstrates a commitment to addressing violence comprehensively. The plan recognizes that there is no one-size-fits all strategy to address all forms of GBV, but rather different forms of violence require differently targeted approaches.



## Trauma informed and survivor centred approaches

The plan advocates for support, healing, safety and wellbeing of survivors of GBV. It recognizes the importance of implementing trauma informed care when supporting survivors of violence especially in marginalised and underserved communities including promoting economic security, access to housing, safety and justice.



## Intersectional approach

The plan highlights the need for an intersectional approach, emphasising the experiences of historically marginalised and underserved communities. It recognizes that survivors from these communities often face unique challenges and require culturally specific support. This acknowledgement is crucial in addressing the specific needs of survivors and dismantling systemic barriers.



## Whole of government approach

The plan emphasises the need for interagency coordination to strengthen the federal government's effectiveness in preventing and addressing technology-facilitated GBV. By fostering collaboration and information sharing among different federal agencies and departments, the plan aims to create a coordinated approach that integrates efforts to support survivors and prevent online harms.

## What we look forward to seeing



### More resource allocation

The plan acknowledges the underfunding of community resources and the lack of culturally specific approaches. We are happy to see that the Biden-Harris Administration has already committed resources towards addressing GBV. This is an ambitious plan and we look forward to seeing an equal amount of ambitious funding going towards operationalizing it.




### Effective monitoring and evaluation

It will be crucial to monitor the implementation and operationalization of this plan, ensuring that its strategies are effectively translated into tangible actions. Attention should be given to equitable resource distribution, community engagement, and the inclusion of diverse perspectives. This plan has the potential to be a game changer for ending GBV and we are all here to see it.

By adopting a comprehensive and intersectional approach, increasing resource allocation to underserved communities, and centering survivor voices and transformative justice principles, we believe that the US National Plan to End Gender-Based Violence sets forth a promising vision for dismantling systemic barriers and creating a society free from violence.

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