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Intro to Sociology

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Social Action Report #2

National Social Action Report

1. Write a paragraph of the mission of the organization. Some questions to consider are: what are the organization's goals? What are their values? What do they do? (5 points)

I chose to do my Social Action Report on the [RAINN](#) organization. RAINN is an organization that deals with rape, abuse and the incest national network. RAINN is the largest anti-sexual violence organization which they created the sexual assault hotline for people that need help. Their goal is to help as many people as possible they can and limit the number of victims from rape, abuse and more. Also, they are trying to improve sexual assault laws and policies to ensure that people that are the victim get the justice they need. This also includes trying to improve the tests they do to find the people that are hurting these people. Their values are to make the world a better place and give survivors the justice they deserve to live on in life.

2. Pick a 1) review an archived webinar, 2) a live virtual event, 3) listen to a podcast episode (if they have one) or 4) read a resource document or report (any type of written document regarding the organization's research/advocacy, etc) and write 2 or three sentences about what it was about (5 points)

I chose to go over the Children and Teens: Statistics, "[Child Sexual Abuse is a Widespread Problem](#)" The research talks about how child sexual abuse is a big problem in the world. The effects of child abuse can be long lasting, and it affects victims' mental health which leads to drug abuse, PTSD or having depressive episodes as they are adults. The research also states that out of one in nine girls and one in 53 boys under the age of 18 experience abuse from adults. It is seen that more girls get sexually abused than boys when they are children. Most of the perpetrators that abuse children are from their family or related to them in some way.

3. Relate what you learned from the webinar, event, podcast, or resource document or report from #2 back to course material. Make 3 separate connections. (1 paragraph) (5 points)

One connection I made to the course material is from week 2 about the ripple effect and how when children are sexually abused, they will have mental health problems in the future. Once they are abused, they never forget what happens and later in life they develop serious mental problems which affect them for the rest of their lives too. When one problem happens more problems evolve with it which is called the ripple effect.

Another connection I made to the course material is about historical matters. I connected this to history matters by the history the child gets from the abuse affects their whole life. For example, when a child is sexually abused as a kid and when they are about 18 years old, they can develop mental health problems that just affect them for their whole life. Basically, if the abuse never happened, they would be doing great and have a great life but instead they were abused so they are dealing with the effects.

The last connection I made to the course material is sociology of attention because people see this problem first before everything else. I made this connection because the first thing I thought of when I saw this organization was that this organization is made because people see this as a big problem and see this first before anything else. Sexual abuse is no joke and people pay more attention to the fact that people are getting abused and used.

4. Indicate what you thought about the webinar/podcast/resource document. Tell me what you liked, what you think could be improved, and provide some suggestions on how they could have improved it. Your suggestions could be based on the content itself, delivery or presentation. (1 paragraph) (5 points)

After reading the Children and Teens: Statistics, I thought of what they have forced on was very helpful for everyone in the world. I most liked how this organization made a hotline so people that are getting abused can call it and they can get the help they need fast. Rape and abuse are no joke and having an organization where people can learn and knowledge themselves on this big issue is important. What I think could be improved is the way the website works and making it much easier to find everything so people that need help find what they need quickly. I would like to see more facts about sexual abuse in the world that affects children in particular. As we talked about in class about sociology of attention, people pay attention to what they see first and not what they can't see.