

# Safety for Sex Trade Workers

## CONVENING AN ENGAGEMENT

GOAL

explore what safety means to sex trade workers

OUTCOME

Information gathered might benefit existing programs or create new ones

**COMMUNICATION TEAM**

- BC COALITION OF EXPERIENTIAL WOMEN
- SAFERIn Collingwood
- ATIRA Housing Managers
- language, background & develop question

**Methodology**

- focused questions
- World Cafe
- Safety net
- honoraria + snacks

- Sex trade workers are not disposable
- Sex trade workers have strong social capital + high trust
- policy development should incorporate collective intelligence of sex trade practitioners

Context: **winds of change**

WHAT WORKERS SAID WOULD keep them safe

**“SAFE PLACE TO WORK”**

SOCIETY'S RESPONSIBILITIES

benefits: SELF MANAGED PAY TAXES, HEALTH MONITORING, BE RESPECTED OFF THE STREET

reduce rehab wait times, increase access: detour, rehab, comprehensive rehab, co-work place, stigma, change sex trade laws, education + skill exploration



dialogic stream of exploration & awareness → policy + program development