Victim
Services
Toronto

YOUTH SYMPOSIUM

IMPACT REPORT

2025

91

Schools In Total

24,951

Students In Total

TORONTO REGION

86 Schools from Toronto District School Board

5 Schools from other school boards including Toronto and Durham regions

22 Community Organizations

STATS

STUDENTS

- **100%** of students would like future symposiums with information on consent, human trafficking and healthy relationships.
- **95%** of students found the symposium content relevant to themselves and their classmates.
- **2 of 3** students preferred the symposium over a regular school day.
- More than **Two-Thirds** of students feel more empowered to talk about these issues with other people.

EDUCATORS

- **100%** of educators felt their students learned new information and valuable skills to support their well-being and help keep them safe.
- **All** educators stated the symposium helped to start important conversations with youth.
- **97%** of educators would be interested in further educational resources, lesson plans, activities, and videos on consent, healthy relationships & HT.
- **81%** of educators would recommend the symposium to a colleague.

EDUCATOR & STUDENT TESTIMONIALS:

"I think we should do more presentations like this."

- Grade 6 Student

"I found it very fun and very very easy to understand."

-Grade 5 Student

"I enjoyed this symposium and I'll definitely be using these tips and thinking about these inspiring videos in the future."

-Grade 5 Student

"This was so inspirational to me to stand up! This will be one of the most helpful things in my first years of being a teen."

-Grade 7 Student

"These lessons have made me feel better about myself and I hope they will help me in the future, when the time comes [to share my story]."

-Grade 7 Student

"Seeing the students engaged and getting important/helpful information from the symposium. Also, learning more about human trafficking and most importantly prevention."

-Grade 8 Teacher

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