Sexual Violence Committee (SVC)

About Us:
The Sexual Violence Committee (SVC) is a group of students, Student Life and University Compliance staff, University Police, faculty and community partners striving to address the issue of sexual violence at The Ohio State University.

Mission Statement:
To foster a safe and respectful climate through prevention and a coordinated community response to sexual violence.

Time Commitment:
Regular monthly meetings last 1.5 hours, but members are also encouraged to assist with SVC events and task-based work groups. These involvement opportunities may require additional meeting and preparation time outside of regular monthly meetings, ranging from 1-3 hours a month, or more if desired.

SVC General Talking Points:
- **Flexibility:** Ability to work with SVC members or on behalf of SVC on personal ideas and projects, without the requirement of being present at the meetings. You do/attend/work on what you have the time for. Be as involved as you would like to be!
- **Connections:** Get to know other people interested in the same interest areas or projects that you are interested in around this topic. You make friends and allies on campus!
- **Education:** Opportunity to learn something new about sexual violence area each meeting because of the committee's commitment to educating ourselves and having speakers on the topic or on current events in our community.
- **Unity:** SVC serves as a way for our community to stay updated on the efforts of other departments, groups and individuals so we are well informed and can act together as a community.
- **Diversity:** High diversity in gender, age, background, occupation, affiliation with OSU, knowledge of subject, skill set, reason for getting involved, racial identity, etc.
- **Networking:** This committee would offer you the opportunity to work alongside higher education professionals in a variety of positions so it's a great networking opportunity if you’d like to learn more about their area, or want to collaborate with their department.
- **Personalized:** SVC allows you to get involved based on your interests, skill sets, and availability. You can get involved in the subcommittees you are interested in or have time or skill set for. (Skill set not required.) There are many subcommittees on many different topics. Education, Research/Assessment, and Policy are the three big categories, and there are several subcategories that subcommittees will meet to work on.
- **Meaningful work:** You have the opportunity to work on groups making a difference in this area, where as in other places involvement in this group may mean that only administrators can do these things. SVC acts as a vehicle and/or compass for many of the Title IX initiatives on our campus, and for helping the university towards our goals and agreement with the Office of Civil Rights (OCR). What we do makes giant impacts, and we are doing a lot!