TRANS ISSUES

How can we help make different gender identities and expressions more widely accepted?

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Why did we choose this question?

We chose this question because it is an issue that we felt was underrepresented in progressive spaces.

Why do we need to change this?

Trans identities are becoming more common however cisgendered people are widely uneducated on trans issues.
PLANNING

- Brainstorm
  - Stickers
    - Brochure
  - Infographic/Poster
    - QR code to more info/website
  - Survey
  - Podcast
  - Video/Animation

- Execution
  - Stickers
    - Designing the stickers and sending them to a sticker making company
  - Survey
    - Making the survey and distributing the link through email or google classroom
  - Infographic/Poster + QR code
    - Designing two infographics, making a QR code for one of them, and printing out one of them with the QR code
Three guiding questions:

1. What identities are there and how do people commonly view them?
2. What recent political changes have been made that affect dis-proportionally/only trans people?
3. How can gender affect people’s lives (jobs, relationship, medical care, etc)?
Cisgendered Surveyees

When asked ‘what topics surrounding trans identity's do you feel you are most unaware of’, many people responded with ‘I don't know’, ‘everything’ or something similar.

When asked ‘Do you think most cis people are uneducated on trans issues’, over half said ‘yes’ or something similar.

Over half said that they consider themselves an ally.

When asked ‘What do you think would be the best way to spread awareness’, many people said social media or being taught in school (class period/posters/assembly).

Surveyees Under the Trans Umbrella

When asked ‘What do you feel like most people are uneducated on/what do you wish cis people were more aware of’, there were many different responses such as how misgendering/deadnaming us can affect our mental health, the many different identities/pronouns, and all the different struggles we have to face.

When asked ‘Did you feel safe when coming out? If you aren’t out yet is it because of safety issues’, it was a split between yes and no.

When asked ‘What do you wish people knew surrounding this topic that would make your life easier’, most people said that they wish cis people would just respect our pronouns and not reduce us to our gender.
What recent political changes have been made that affect disproportionately/only trans people

Over 30 states have bills to restrain transgender rights, some states have removed healthcare and health insurance protection from transgender people.
How can gender affect people’s lives

- Compared to men, women are less likely to gain employment and work full time, stunting their careers.
- Due to a wage gap, women are being led to poverty, leading them to trouble supporting themselves and their family.
- Gender identity can also cause a lot of discrimination and judgement.
First
We made a few designs and contemplated which one we liked best, then finalized the design.

Second
We found a website that we can order our stickers from and placed the order
First
We did all the research that we were going to put on the infographic

Second
We looked through the available designs and edited it to look how we imagined.

Third
We’re going to print it out and hang it up at the booth we will be setting up.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/16IO0x78Xu4YTwrTSq73ftWtcnj4kNmQKpuDH8-QCeY/view
Poster

1. We planned the design first then progressed with it later on Adobe Illustrator. We don’t have much information on it but we plan on opening a booth when it’s printed, and putting it on the wall.
The End