

MOUVEMENT CONTRE

LE VIOL

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HIGHLIGHTS 2015-2016

Direct support For Women

At MCVI, we foster spaces that allow women to build solidarity amongst each other, to have their difficult realities validated, and to be supported in their courageous journeys of personal growth. These spaces take shape through individual support, group support, groups for Spanish-speaking women, « coffee houses », support by telephone, and more.

Throughout the year, we carried out:

- 1 321.5 hours of individual support
- 64 requests for services by refugee claimant women
- 35 accompaniments to the Immigration and Refugee Board
- 232 hours of group support
- 6 « coffee houses » (informal get-togethers) on different themes, including: “the socialization of young girls”, “the taboo of sexuality” and “the weight of shame and guilt”



Prevention and Awareness



Our work in prevention and awareness allows us to reach large segments of the youth and adult populations in order to bring to their attention the consequences of sexual assault, as well as to promote MCVI as a resource available to them. These opportunities also allow us to share our expertise within various professional and community contexts.

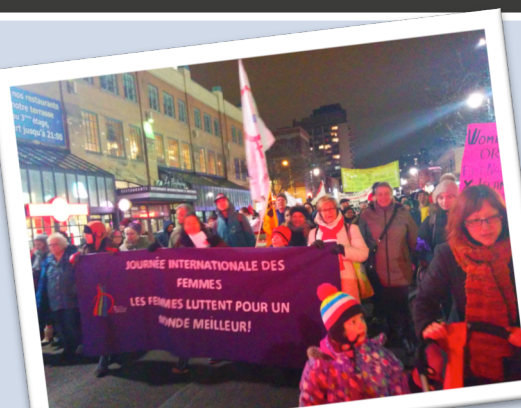
- This year we reached over 300 youth through our kiosks at events such as the « *Goût de vivre* » week held at high schools and John Abbott Cégep's "Sexual Health Week".
- We facilitated two workshops with 11 groups of students in Secondary 4 and 5 at l'École Lucien Pagé, reaching 298 youth.
- We facilitated an awareness-raising workshop for members of New Life Church in LaSalle, reaching 50 people.
- We delivered a training session at the CLSC in LaSalle on "Psychosocial support for survivors of sexual assault", training 22 people.

Advocacy and Partnerships



In order to further the progress made on issues related to sexual violence and women's rights at home and abroad, MCVI is involved in various representative platforms and collaborates with partners at the local,

- For the past 13 years, MCVI has been involved in the « March 8th committee» (International Women's Day) for Women of Diverse Origins. This year's public assembly and demonstration through downtown Montreal took on the theme "Women struggle for a better world!"
- We received grant funding from the Canadian Women's Foundation for a five-year project titled "Putting an end to sex trafficking".
- We met with Quebec's Minister of Justice to put forth demands, and to bring attention to the experiences of immigrant women and the systemic barriers they face in the judicial process related to sexual assault.



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