



YOUR GUIDE TO FACILITATING

COMMUNITY DIALOGUE ON GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE



You can lead a community dialogue about gender-based violence using the three “What is Gender-Based Violence?” video vignettes. These videos are designed to help your audience learn about the different types of gender-based violence (GBV) and what they can do to address them. Are you ready to be a facilitator?

TOTAL TIME: 75 MINUTES

Introduce Yourself (3 minutes)

- Thank your participants for joining and introduce yourself. Be sure to mention that you are an interested YALI Network member who wants to start an important conversation about gender-based violence in your community.
- Briefly share why you are interested in this topic and chose to organize a community dialogue on GBV.
- Note: The first time you lead this discussion you might want to limit the size of the audience so that you can give each group time and attention.

Objectives (2 minutes)

- Explain the objectives of the videos and the logistics of how the session will run.

OBJECTIVES INCLUDE:

- Learning about the different types of gender-based violence.
- Starting an important, community-based, dialogue on the issue.
- Understanding what participants can do to address these issues.

Ice Breaker (10 minutes)

Have participants form a circle. Join the circle, state your name, and share one reason why addressing gender-based violence is important to you. Ask all participants who are interested in the topic for similar reasons to raise their hand. Have the person to your left introduce him or herself and share why addressing gender-based violence is important to him or her. Continue to go around the circle until everyone has shared their names and interest in the topic.

Group Activity: Brainstorm (15 minutes)

The following exercise will help you determine how familiar your audience is with the topic of gender-based violence.

- Split participants into groups of three to five people (as appropriate for the event size).
- Encourage the groups to list several examples of gender-based violence in their community.
- Give the groups five minutes to brainstorm their ten examples.
- In the final 5 minutes, have one or two people from each group present their list to the whole group.



Watch **Video 1: Psychological and Economic Gender-Based Violence** and **Video 2: Physical and Sexual Gender-Based Violence** (4 minutes)

Defining GBV Discussion (10 minutes)

Compare the ideas brainstormed before watching the videos to the content presented in the two clips. Ask the audience to share their thoughts on the following:

- What was similar or different in the ideas presented in the brainstorm and those in the videos?
- What forms of GBV were surprising to you?
- Were there any examples given that you don't think classify as GBV?
- What categories of GBV (e.g., psychological, economic, physical, sexual) do most of the examples fall under?

Watch **Video 3: What Can I Do? Ending Gender-Based Violence in Your Community** (2 minutes)

Group Discussion (25 minutes)

Encourage the audience to reflect on the strategies presented in the last video and lead a discussion using some or all of the following questions. You can also create questions that directly relate to issues in your community.

- How can you empower men and others to stop GBV in their communities?
- What steps will you take to address GBV?
- Which strategies will you use to help women and girls to become socially empowered?
- Who stands to gain if girls and women are empowered?
- Where can survivors go to get help?
- What other resources are available to survivors in your community?

Wrap-up (5 minutes)

- Reemphasize the core lessons learned and encourage the participants to stay in touch.
- Encourage attendees to join the Africa4Her campaign to join the movement to stand up against GBV at yali.state.gov/4her.
- Ask participants to sign up for the YALI Network at yali.state.gov.

