Preventing Domestic Violence



The Harvard Learning Lab

CURRENT RESEARCH

The Harvard Learning Lab is the brainchild of two organizations: Saving Promise, a national advocacy organization inspired by a family's story that experienced five generations of domestic violence. L.Y. Marlow named the organization for her granddaughter, Promise, who became the fifth generation. Her story is at the heart of Saving Promise's work, driving research efforts to advance prevention efforts and create change. The other is the Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health, which brings together dedicated experts from many disciplines to take innovative ideas from the laboratory to people's lives. The organization draws on a pool of talent across all nine schools at Harvard to conceptualize old problems in new ways.

The shared missions of both of these organizations brought them together at a 2015 Summit, where a congregation of leaders from different sectors explored domestic violence. Out of this summit, the Harvard Learning Lab was born.

The Learning Lab is an overarching research and development lab that studies multiple facets of domestic violence, and is the first of its kind. The lab will use data to develop evidence-based innovations and deliver prevention strategies, policies and programs. The lab will serve as a clearing-house to advance and disseminate their research: the latest and best prevention models they can share across other partners and stakeholders. Primarily, they want to focus on preventing domestic violence before the occurrence of victimization, but also secondary and tertiary prevention, to minimize the risks associated with exposure to violence. Ultimately, their goal is to restore the long-term health and wellness of individuals, families and communities...

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RESEARCH AREAS

Education, Behavioral & Development, Empowering Women, Policy

FUNDING REQUEST

The amount of The Harvard Learning Lab funding request is \$35 million per year for three consecutive years. Individual donors also have the option to fund smaller, more direct scopes of work and/or independent programs within this total amount.

The \$3.5 million per year will be used across three overarching categories, as follows:

Learning Lab Oversight & Resources: \$570,552 Oversight of research initiatives including the necessary resources, processes, personnel, and all other research-related administrative elements.

Research & Implementation Science: \$2,284,781

Rigorous and comprehensive research studies to identify the most effective and innovative evidence-based prevention and intervention programs with particular focus on high-risk and vulnerable demographics and communities.

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