

7th ANNUAL

HIP-HOP AGAINST GUN & GANG VIOLENCE WEEK (5/18-24, 2018)

LAUNCHING THE "7 E'S 4 POWER" TOUR AND "105 DAYS OF SUMMER" INITIATIVE - 5/22-9/3



2018 THEME:



"LET'S PUT A STOP TO OUR WOMEN GETTING SHOT"

The Hip-Hop Summit Youth Council's *7th Annual Hip-Hop Against Gun & Gang Violence Week Campaign* (May 18-24) is sponsored by **Power 105.1** and "*The Shark*" **Daymond John** and was created to help students, youth, community groups and government agencies become more proactive as the weather gets hot when it comes to ending gun and gang violence. There will be a host of events to support our efforts leading into *Memorial Day*, the unofficial start of summer, and ending *Labor Day*, the unofficial end of summer, a tense period when gun violence spikes, including the launch of the "7 E'S 4 Power" Tour and the "105 Days of Summer" initiative (5/22-9/3). This year our focus is on *Gun Violence Against Women*. **Our theme: "Let's Put A Stop To Our Women Getting Shot"** says it all as the *World Health Organization* reports **Domestic Violence** is a *Global Public Health* crisis needing urgent attention as the fight for Women's Rights is heating up.

In 2017 Sexual Abuse & Harassment was a hot issue as the *Harvey Weinstein* scandal triggered accusations and/or firings of 138 powerful men. For years the exploitation of many hopefuls and established industry names was swept under the carpet. To combat the problem millions of women shared their own experiences of sexual abuse on social media under the **hashtag #MeToo** and/or joined organizations like *Time's Up* and the **Commission on Sexual Harassment and Advancing Equality in the Workplace**.

Now that we have everyone's attention regarding "**Women's Rights**," Gun Violence Against Women is a crisis as well, and we must educate young citizens on the dangers of Domestic Violence and find "Real Solutions" to reduce the countless lives lost daily. To support the Campaign there will be *Summits, Online Activities, Entertainment & Family Day Events, Contests, PSAs, Songs & Videos, Celebrity Support, and a lot of Give-a-Ways to participants*. In addition, through our *Hip-Hop Against Sexual Abuse of Women Project (HASAW)*, *Women and Girls 4 Empowerment Campaign (WAGE)*, and the *Your Voice & Vote Campaign* we will further enlighten Students and Young Adults on how to "Respect, Protect and Never Neglect" our women. Here are 12 **vital FACTS** to help you understand the importance of the campaign and why we need your support:

1. *Of the 96 citizens that die daily from Gun Violence, every 16 hours a U.S. woman is shot dead by a current or former spouse or dating partner, according to a 2016 Associated Press analysis of F.B.I. and state crime data.*
2. *Nearly 3 women are killed daily by an intimate partner and the CDC reports guns were used in nearly 54% of female homicides. In 55% of those cases the perpetrator is someone intimately involved with the victim.*
3. *An average of at least 760 Americans are shot to death by current or former partners annually.*
4. *An average of 50 U.S. women are shot to death each month by an intimate partner.*
5. *50% of Mass Shooting victims are women; A Mass Shooting is the murder of 4 or more not counting the shooter.*
6. *When it comes to gun violence against women, the U.S. is #1 in the developed world. Women are 16 times more likely to be killed with guns in the U.S. than other developed countries.*
7. *The World Health Organization says a partner or spouse is the killer in 38% of women's homicides worldwide.*
8. *The CDC found a woman's risk of homicide increases greatly if her male abuser owns a gun and the presence of a gun in a domestic violence dispute makes it 5 times more likely she will be killed.*
9. *Nearly 1 million women alive today were shot, or shot at, by an intimate partner.*
10. *Homicide is the 5th leading cause of death for women between 18 and 44 and in states with handgun sales background checks, 47% fewer women are killed with a gun by intimate partners.*
11. *Black women only make up about 13% of U.S. women, but comprise about HALF of female homicide victims, with most of the murders by current or former boyfriends or husbands. More than HALF involved firearms.*
12. *Black women are killed at a rate of 4.4 per 100,000 people, and indigenous women at a rate of 4.3 per 100,000; every other race has a homicide rate of between 1 and 2 per 100,000.*

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