

**Is there anything else you think we should know?**

I had a recent experience that reminded me of that first experience of sexual harassment: in both I was unconsciously engaged in an activity and was embodying that engagement.

Street harassment is debilitating, and I feel the effects from it every day.

Situations like this also altered my heightened attention to my children and essentially impacted parenting skills I used.

Moving from Florida where I drove a lot to NYC where I walk everywhere Really impacted the amount of catcalling that I receive. In the summers I get catcalled up to 5 times every time I walk, sometimes up to 10 times a day. I know if wore looser fitting clothing I probably wouldn't get as much attention, but that make me feel like they won. So, I'll still be wearing leggings and crop tops all summer.

Your movement is incredible.

I've experienced more harassment since coming out as trans, which was only recently.

I wish my mother had prepared me in some way for this. It got worse with age as more men harassed me in increasingly more vulgar and aggressive ways.

Sex traffickers are abundant in northern Ohio.

Never show fear. Learn self-defense, you will feel better.

I also was told to smile around that same age by an adult man.

When I was 14, I was street harassed so aggressively, that it escalated to outright sexual assault. This was an adult man. When I told my godmother what happened a few days later, she told me she was a mandated reporter & that she had to report it. She violated my trust by telling my mother and directing my mother to call the police. We went to the precinct days after the assault, I didn't even get a good look at the guy, and the officers made it clear they felt I was wasting their time. I was grilled about details I would never know and was asked a number of times how would they know I'm not just making this up because I don't want my mother to know I'm fooling around with boys. That experience made me never want to ever say anything to police about anything ever again.

My parents consistently blamed women for "asking for it" with what they wear so I never had a trustworthy adult to support me

Thank you for investing your time in this, really is reassuring to know that awareness is being raised abt this issue xxx

Most of my street harassment experiences include catcalling, leering, whistling, and sexist comments which all the time made me angry. However, I have also experienced being followed, touched, and flashed which made me feel scared, very insecure, frustrated as well as angry.

At around the same age my sister had her bum grabbed by a man in his 40's as we were walking in town shopping.

That incident described above was not a solitary one. When he got a new car a couple of years later, it happened again. Same man. I found out much later that this man who was well known

and loved in our community for his immense talents was also a serial sexual predator known to expose himself to many people. I don't know too many of the girls I grew up with who escaped being violated in that way by that very man. Local law just turned a blind eye to it because of his local fame, saying that it was just harmless and he never "attacked" anyone so it was just some sort of (snickering) harmless prank. They would just give him a verbal slap on the wrist and let it go.

Predictably, I didn't tell anyone what had happened.

**JUST KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK THAT YOU DO FOR AS LONG AS YOU'RE AROUND!!!**

I'm now in my 50's and have been experienced harassment while on my way to work. Men yelling out of cars about how my breasts look.

I'm a trans man who has not started transition.

Street harassment for me turned into sexual assault/rape

There are a lot of smaller countries that don't have feminism even though they really need it. For example, I'm from Balkan and once a woman was blamed for being raped and brutally killed (I know that that's something that people all around the world say - but) and nobody said anything about victim blaming. And there are countries that need feminism even more than my country. I think that we should start focusing more on those countries

I've been harassed more times than I could ever imagine being able to count. I'm now 24, at one point harassment from men on my way to work or university was every time I left the house, I didn't leave the house for 2 weeks at one point, when I did it was to buy food and I was harassed by a man in the supermarket car park, then followed into the store by him. Every time I mention street harassment I'm met with a smirk as though I'm making a big deal out of nothing, it can be so lonely.

When harassed, I am never wearing anything provocative; usually a hoodie, jeans, and sneakers

I hope that my reaction makes it clear to him that what he's doing is unwanted and inappropriate.

I am part of the catcallsofnyc network

mostly this happens to me in nyc, but recently i was in germany and i was actually harassed more often there.

My second time was when I was 12 and two men sat near me on the train and then followed me off and cornered me in front of a store

Men don't understand that when they speak, no matter what they say, it comes from a position of perceived societal and physical power. It makes them scary. Even if you feel like your presence or person is neutral, it's not. It's powerful and could be used as a threat.

I think this didn't traumatize us too much because he didn't try to grab us or anything. My mother called police who came to our house. Everyone believed us which I think helped immensely

More recently, my boyfriend and I were walking around after going to the movies. Where we were walking was by a busy street. A small car with two guys who looked around 19-20 (we are in high school) rolled down the window of their car and proceeded to poke fun at my boyfriend's appearance. They commented on his acne, long legs, glasses and hair. I started crying as

soon as they drove off. I swore to him that we wouldn't ever walk down that street again. Just proof that verbal/street harassment can happen to anyone! Everyone needs to be aware of this problem, no matter what your gender may be.

I think these kind of campaigns should focus more on guys than girls. Of course it is good for us to know that more people experience and that we are not alone. I do feel however that my guy friends are not at all informed about these problems, and tend to laugh at it a little. They don't understand. Take specific schools or courses where there are usually way more guys than girls, and explain the problem there IN DETAIL. Show clips, make them feel just like we feel as we walk down the street, so young guys understand what the consequences are when they harass a girl on the street. They don't understand that that kind of behaviour is very upsetting. Maybe if they know, this behaviour would occur less.

I know a lot of boys who have been harassed, focussing on them as well is a amazing thing because they still may be a tiny majority but they matter a lot

This was not the only time me or someone I know has experienced harassment. I've had friends get honked at, whistled at, followed, etc.

There's a lot that has happened to me on the street but also online as well. But I'm not even sure if it counts

I was once in a restaurant with my family and a rather old man walked behind me and he seemed to sort of lose his step and I felt his hand brush against the skin just below my shorts (which were pretty short since it was the middle of the summer). I am not sure whether it was fully intentional, but it made me very uncomfortable and upset. I felt like it was intentional as he did not need to be walking that close to me. Nobody else seemed to have noticed/saw what happened so I said nothing.

i applaud you for doing this. i know that me saying this really won't have any affect, but knowing that someone is doing something about this really fills my heart with happiness and hope. thank you.

I've been harassed like this many times. Always by older men.

There were kids all around walking home and he did this in plain sight although no other kids were probably within 10 feet of me when he approached me.

Bothered me waiting for bus to college.

I have had so many experiences where man masturbates on the street since first grade all the way until when I was in school obtaining my Master's degree. I've lived in New York, Dominican Republic and Spain and I have experience this horrible situation in all three countries. It seems not to stop. I'm tired of normalizing it but it has to stop. I am not even mentioning the verbal harassment, I could write a book about it. It's very sad what women have to go through every day on the streets and I hate that most of the time is normalized.

I'm now writing up my PhD thesis on anti-street harassment activism and that world seems like a lifetime ago!

This unpleasant experiences change the self-perception - when it happen too often. And it does - almost every time.

I also remember witnessing other little girls being sexually harassed and/or groped by strangers in public spaces. I was too young to have the confidence or knowledge to tell an adult or stand up for them myself though.

I think children should be trained for ways to confronting all types of harassment before experiencing it.

Sexual harassment is one of the main types of street harassment as this a majority of what I have experienced

Girls were routinely harassed like this in 1969 to 1972 when I was in that junior high school. It is easy to remember the rampant disrespect I and others experienced: a person does not forget injustice and its sting. America is a violent nation; it is appalling.

I lived in Rome at 17, where the men while sexist were not as aggressively sexual on the street. NYC men felt actively abusive and dangerous. Italian men just felt old fashioned but not like they wanted to rape me.

Thanks to academic researches and initiatives from associations, I am now able to say to men (never been harassed by a women) that they do not have any right to comment my body or to take my attention for granted. I walk in the streets to go from a place to another. Street harassment however prevent me to have a stroll just to resource myself.

I saw him the 2nd time and tried to move quickly out of his range, but he was quicker still and managed the same maneuver as before.

I was shocked and dismayed to learn a young woman who works for me (she recently turned 18) is being harassed at her job at a Kroger's grocery store by deviate men who say all sorts of things to her; who lie in wait for her outside the store; who try to touch her and the other young women coming up behind them, and then claiming their running into their bodies is 'an accident'-- all the while the managers refuse to do anything because they claim it is now company policy not to eject anyone from the store. At least one of these men is on our local sex offender's registry; another -- from what she has told me -- seems to be attempting to recruit young women into prostitution. Obviously there are some public spaces that are basically welcome havens to sexual degenerates.

The man who followed me had spent time in prison for molesting his daughter. Knowing he targeted me still gives me chills and makes me feel sick inside. The last I heard, he was serving a prison sentence for raping a woman.

More campaign against street harassment and educating young boys in school.

I have experienced a ton of street harassment situations, mainly in Paris, most of the time from older men.

All the attention and the increasing social support feminism is getting got me in touch with it and helped me mend my broken identity as a female human, by giving me words to explain my own experience to myself in the first place, and by giving me courage by knowing I'm not alone, I'm not disgusting and it does matter. Thank you

This is a really awesome project, and I want to thank you so much for doing this.

I was told by a friend that it's so easy to rape a woman.

Same builders shut up when I was with my dad.

Men tried to fuck my child body for more than a decade before I became an adult. Harassment has DECLINED now that I'm clearly of age.

I was also sexually abused from age 8

Typically, if I got catcalled or harassed and I tried to ignore it and keep going, the harasser(s) would get angry and become verbally abusive, in some instances would start walking with me trying to force me to engage. It always made me nauseated with fear.

It happened so often I can't measure it. More times I walked anywhere it would happen than times it didn't.

I've done a lot of travelling and lived in a few places. London is the place I have been catcalled more than anywhere else.

I'm disabled.

I hate how I can't speak up for myself. I just let it happen when I get cat called.

The victim cannot confront, it only makes it worse whenever I tried. The culture is ingrained and vicious.

The way we were taught to deal with flashers and cat calls when I was younger (20 years ago) was to ignore them, keep quiet, don't provoke, run away etc., and I wonder sometimes if that is part of what sets up to accept that form of harassment and then abuse as just part of our lives, I can't understand why I put up with emotional and physical abuse from boyfriends, but then I think it was largely all part of 'not making a fuss', extrapolated.

The first time I was harassed it was at my Nana's house, but most of the time, I get harassed at school and on the streets.