

Developing Supports for SOGIECE Survivors

A research project for 2S-LGBTQ+ people harmed by expectations of change efforts

ABOUT THE PROJECT AND THIS SURVEY

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What is SOGIECE or Conversion Therapy?

SOGIECE stands for **S**exual **O**rientation and **G**ender **I**ntity-**E**xpression **C**hange **E**fforts. It is a broad set of practices, pressures, or messages, that attempt to deny, suppress, or change the experiences or identities of 2S-LGBTQ+ people.

What's this project about?

The goal of this survey is to develop support systems for 2S-LGBTQ+ people in Canada who have been harmed by the expectation of change. For more information see [here](#).

Who is this project for?

This project is for all 2S-LGBTQ+ people harmed by the expectation of change. Experiences of harm may have resulted from a myriad of different pressures and expectations of change, whether blatant or more subtle, including but not limited to experiences of religious-based harm.

Who is conducting the survey?

Project Coordinator: Jordan Sullivan (SOGIECE survivor, trans man)

Organization: [Generous Space Ministries](#), Wendy Vanderwal-Gritter, Executive Director

Consultant: Travis Salway, PhD, Simon Fraser University, Faculty of Health Sciences

Research Assistant: Reilla Archibald, student, Masters of Public Health program, SFU

Acknowledgments

We acknowledge that the pervasive racism, colonialism, and white supremacy in Canada causes ongoing, intergenerational, and systemic harm. We acknowledge the impact of intersectional identities and historical inequities for many SOGIECE survivors. We have made our best effort to incorporate these realities into our work and this survey, recognizing that our differences strengthen and enrich our work together. We acknowledge, respect, and are grateful for the leadership of 17+ SOGIECE survivors who contributed to this project.

Who is funding the survey?

This project is funded by the Canadian government's Women and Gender Equality, LGBTQ2 Community Capacity Fund.

What are the risks?

We recognize that this topic may trigger an emotional response. If you feel distressed or sad, you have the choice to stop participating. Each page of the survey also provides links to additional support if needed.

This survey is will be administered using SurveyMonkey. However, we will not collect any identifying information (e.g., name) and therefore don't anticipate any risk of exposure of personal or identifying information as a result of participation in this study.

What are the benefits?

We do not anticipate involvement in this study to provide any direct benefits to participants. However, you may benefit indirectly insofar as findings will be used to improve supports/resources available to those harmed by SOGIECE in Canada.

Who else will see my survey responses?

Only members of the study team will have access to survey responses. The security and privacy policy for the web survey company can be found at the following [here](#).

How will study results be used and shared?

Responses will be seen by study team members only. All responses will provide new information about supports needed by SOGIECE survivors in Canada. Responses may also be used in future studies related to understanding SOGIECE experiences. Results of findings from this study will be shared with community partners, policy-makers, and researchers. You can also read about results from the study [here](#) later in 2021.

Who can I contact if I have questions about the survey?

If you have any questions or concerns about this survey, please contact the Project Coordinator, Jordan Sullivan, at jordan@generousspace.ca.

Who can participate in the survey?

To be able to participate in this study we require that you:

- Be 15 years of age or older
- Reside in Canada (includes Canadian citizens, immigrants, residents, or those with no status)
- Be a Two-Spirit or LGBTQ+ person who has experienced harm due to expectations of change around your sexual orientation and gender identity or expression (Note: Your experience of harm may have occurred outside of Canada. You are still eligible to complete the survey.)
- Are able to complete the survey in [English](#) or [French](#)

Consent to participate:

Your participation in this survey is entirely voluntary and you may refuse to participate or quit the survey at any time. You can withdraw your consent by not starting the survey, or you can stop participating by not answering any more questions. We will keep the answers to the questions that you do complete. Given that this survey is anonymous, we will not be able to remove your responses after you have entered them. You can skip any of the questions you do not wish to answer. You can take as long as you would like to consider whether or not you wish to participate. You may contact the research team for more information and/or return to the survey at a later date. **The survey will remain open until midnight (PST) on July 14th, 2021.**