

Implement the "Green Dot" program to empower students to prevent and defeat sexual harassment/assault on campus and in the community.

CURRENT CHALLENGE:

The challenge I wish to address is the prevention of sexual assault & sexual harassment for the students, faculty, & staff of Fresno State.

PROPOSED SOLUTION:

My proposed solution is using an already successful program known as "Green Dot", which emphasizes the awareness & prevention of these issues (along with other violence related issues) using the students to lead and combat the problem. Given the fact that they greatly outnumber the faculty, staff and Title IX Multi-Disciplinary Committee and have the great potential to change their views/behaviors in this stage in this life, it is my belief that IF we empower them to do so, they will and hopefully help us prevent and defeat sexual harassment/assault both here in the university as well as in our community.

BENEFITS TO FRESNO STATE:

Reduction of sexual assault/harassment incidents; prevention of future incidents; education/awareness/acceptance of the very real and prevalent problem throughout the country; leader development - having students learning to lead each other through tough issues such as these before embarking on their next phase of life.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

I have been researching this program for over the past six months now and have sparked interest in many faculty members and students. I have found an out of state & trustworthy mentor who is more than willing to guide our university through the process of standing up this program and nurture it through its first years. Lastly, I am more than willing to support a university appointed representative through this process since my position here is temporary and have a strong recommendation who is willing to lead this for our university.