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# Gender Inequality [SDG 5]

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# Info:

- Gender Inequality is the acknowledgement that men and women are not equal and that gender affects an individual's living experience.
- Recent data from 106 countries show that 18 percent of ever-partnered women and girls aged 15 to 49 have experienced physical and/or sexual partner violence in the previous 12 months. The prevalence is highest in least developed countries, at 24 per cent.
- 35 percent of women have experienced physical and/or sexual violence.

- According to recent data from some 90 countries, women devote on average roughly three times more hours a day to unpaid care and domestic work than men, limiting the time available for paid work, education and leisure and further reinforcing gender-based socioeconomic disadvantages.
- Women earn only 77 cents for every dollar that men get for the same work.

# What I found interesting about the project

Gender inequality affects everyone.

With women earning less cents on the dollar, this is a detriment in creating a better overall economy.

Gender pay gap means women aren't earning the same amount, this can translate to 160 trillion loss income potential(globally).

# Why I was interested

I grew up in a household raised by a single mother, who was the main source of income.

Puts into perspective if at all, my mother's gender played a vital role into how much more comfortably we could have lived if she was of her male counterparts.

I also questioned why after such a long time since the Women's Suffrage Movement, why is it that this issue has not simply been dealt with completely.

# Plans for the Future: The Honest Truth!

- As to plans for future, I can comment that I hope to do something about this issue.
- When the opportunity were to present itself however, I'd be more than willing to participate in efforts made to change this.

# Opinions of Family Members

- This previous Thanksgiving, I was able to ask my family members their thoughts regarding the prevalent gender inequality issue in American Culture today.
- Those interviewed were my mother, step father, and step brother.

# Their Thoughts

- Mother: My mother felt that the issue most definitely affected her salary, with her male coworkers earning roughly a little more annually, even though they both worked the same positions at her office job.
- Step Father: He did not seem to think much of it, considering he was a male and it didn't necessarily affect him, however, he did acknowledge the injustice behind the issue.
- Step Brother: Felt the saddest and probably the most amazed, with his response being "Wowwww", it was a basic response, but it could also be cause he's 10 and still discovering the world.



# Anything New Learned:

- Yes, I learned while doing this project that women not only experience pay gap inequality, but physical violence to the extent that they do.
- I expected the numbers to be much lower, but it was interesting to see the extent to which the statistics go.
- With basically 1 in 3 women experiencing it, thus meaning that a large portion of this class in front of me possibly have or will experience it in the future.
- God Forbid Tho^

# SDG and how it relates to my goal.

- The Sustainable Development Goal of this is achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.
- It relates to my goal of basically creating a better world, because eventually I'll have kids.
- And out of those kids, one could be a girl, and I would want the best for my child and for her not to experience the current societal repercussions that come with being a female.

# Conclusion:

- Gender Inequality is a prevalent issue in American culture as well as worldwide.
- Many Women suffer countless repercussions, ranging from gender pay gaps to physical and emotional abuse by men.
- It has been seen time and time again with many women sparking reforms for change.
- We are soon entering an era where these issues will soon be gone as we have moved in the right direction from where we once were.

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