TURNING PAIN TO POWER

2009 ANNUAL REPORT

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Somewhere on this planet right now a girl or woman is standing up for her rights, refusing to be cut or sold or beaten or raped or married off or denied school and resources. I have watched V-Day, the global movement to end violence against women and girls, grow in 11 years from one event in New York City to 5,200 events in over 1,400 places on the planet in 2009. I have seen small shelters become huge organizations, grassroots leaders become elected officials, and survivors who at one time could hardly speak above a whisper, confront world leaders. I have seen a taboo word become mainstream and a taboo subject take the front pages.

I have seen all of this, and yet the United Nations statistic that one in three women will be beaten or raped in her lifetime remains true today. Women and girls bear the brunt of war, economic exploitation, racism, and a failing international economy.

Nowhere in the world is this more true than in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), a country that has been embroiled in a horrific war for more than 12 years, where an economic war has created a virtual hell for women and girls. Where nearly 5.4 million people have died and hundreds of thousands of women and girls have been brutally raped and sexually tortured. The DRC is a place where you can feel the contaminating impact of colonial exploitation and greed, a country the size of western Europe, that until recently remained invisible in the world's imagination, the grotesque suffering of millions not registering in our consciousness.

In 2009, V-Day's focus on the women and girls of the DRC raised over one million dollars and brought the issue of violence in the DRC to the attention of millions of people throughout the world through V-Day benefits, teach-ins, social media, and outreach. Dr. Denis Mukwege, the founder of Panzi Hospital in Bukavu, and I toured America. Thousands came out to hear this extraordinary man and were compelled to join our movement. For the first time ever, Congolese women stood in front of their friends, family, neighbors, and elected officials and broke the silence, sharing their stories of abuse and violence in Goma, Bukavu, and Kinshasa. Due to the impact and pressure of our campaign, Secretary Clinton visited the DRC and made

sexual violence a front-page issue. Through advocacy we were able to address European and Canadian parliaments and the U.S. Senate. We met with world leaders in Paris and London. We were able to penetrate the media and get this issue into *The New York Times, The Guardian, The Washington Post, CNN, AI Jazeera* and more. We joined forces with many groups on the ground and around the world. We started construction on the City of Joy, a center where survivors will be provided with support to heal and training to further develop their leadership and life skills. I am pleased to tell you that half of the 80-person construction crew is women.

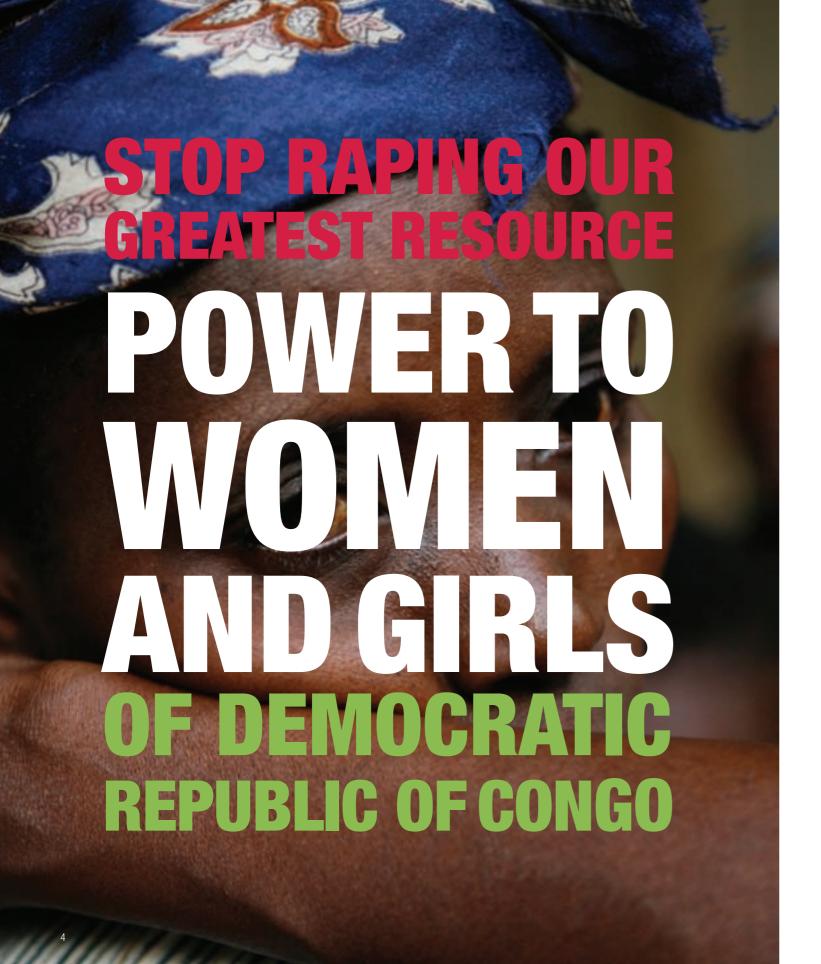
The women of the Congo are fierce. They have been organizing for years to fight for freedom, for peace, for their rights. Over the last two years of our campaign we have been able to support and amplify their grassroots efforts and help build a women's movement on the ground, train activists throughout the country. They are changing the story of women in the DRC. They are marching, making new laws, speaking out, breaking the silence, creating collectives of survivors who are planting fields, developing new small businesses. They are teaching and dancing and training, creating art and building media networks.

There is a momentum. We are creating a template for advocacy and movement building that we can apply worldwide. If we can end violence against women and girls in the DRC, we can end it everywhere.

Continue fighting to free the women in your home, your family, on your block, in your school, at your job, in every corner of the world. Be bolder, speak louder, give everything. This is the moment. The door is open. It's as if we have one limb through, now if we can get our bodies through, it will never close again. Join us and TURN PAIN TO POWER.

With love and gratitude,

Eve Ensler, V-Day Founder/ Artistic Director



THE CONGO CAMPAIGN



Since 1996, sexual violence in the eastern Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) has been used to torture and humiliate women and girls and destroy families. Hundreds of thousands of women and girls have been raped since the conflict began. In addition to the severe psychological impact, sexual violence leaves many survivors with genital lesions, traumatic fistulae, severed and broken limbs, unwanted pregnancies, and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV/AIDS. Survivors are regularly ostracized and abandoned by their families and communities.

In 2007, V-Day and UNICEF in conjunction with groups on the ground launched the global campaign **STOP RAPING OUR**GREATEST RESOURCE: Power To The Women And Girls Of The Democratic Republic of Congo that is:

RAISING AWARENESS about the level of sexual violence in the DRC, the root economic causes of the war and, the historical context.

ADVOCATING FOR CHANGE on local, provincial, national, and international levels.

PROVIDING SUPPORT to activists in the DRC and around the globe who are working to end the atrocities and change perceptions about sexual violence.

BUILDING HOPE and providing education, activism training, leadership skills, income generating opportunities, and support and breaking ground on the City of Joy in Bukavu, a leadership and development center that will be a refuge for healed women survivors of rape and torture.

V-Day will continue to focus on this groundbreaking campaign for years to come, until the violence stops.

From Antigua to Australia, China to Costa Rica, Ethiopia to England, and all 50 of the United States, V-Day activists galvanized their communities and campuses to stand in solidarity with the women and girls of the DRC and demand an end to the violence and impunity. From major speeches and op-eds, benefit events and faith-based initiatives, to Facebook and Twitter, the message was broadcast far and wide.





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RAISING AWARENESS Globally, in the Congo, and across Faith-Based Networks

College and Community Campaigns Carry the Story of Congo

Each year V-Day spotlights a particular group of women who are experiencing violence, with the goal of raising awareness to put a worldwide media spotlight on this area and to generate funds to aid groups who are addressing it. Through the annual Spotlight, V-Day has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars annually through grassroots giving, while generating worldwide attention and media focus on the issues affecting women in Afghanistan, Haiti, Iraq, Mexico, and within the United States with focuses on Indian Country, and New Orleans and the Gulf South.

In 2009, V-Day's College and Community campaign activists spread the message of the Congo Campaign at over 5,200 V-Day events, in 1,400 communities and college campuses, and 50 countries, reaching millions of women and men with vital information to help end the violence and raising over \$200,000 for the women of Congo. In the Antigua Sun, V-Day activist Zahra Airall noted the parallels between women's experiences in the two countries: "V-Day with its Spotlight serves to remind countries of their own status with sex crimes and violence against women, and cautions that if attitudes and laws don't change, many countries, like Antigua and Barbuda, could very well become like these other places, like the Congo."

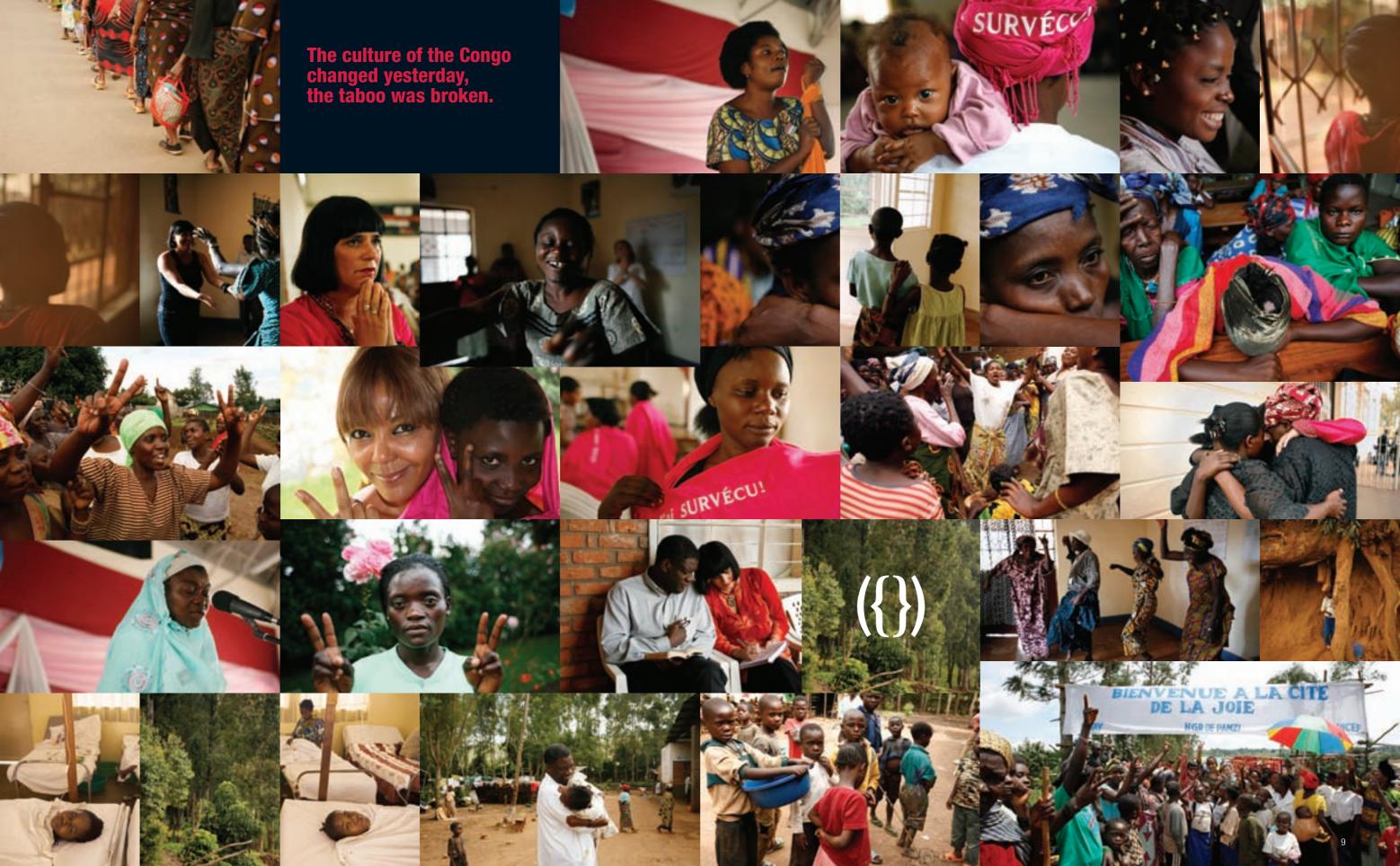
Breaking the Silence in the DRC

In Goma, Bukavu, and Kinshasa, V-Day, UNICEF, and local groups on the ground worked together to organize the historic "Women Breaking the Silence" events at which survivors of sexual violence publicly spoke out about their rapes and the impact of violence on their lives. In front of Congolese authorities, UN representatives, Embassies to the DRC, activists, and members of civil society, women shared their stories and issued a call to the world to put an end to the sexual violence that has afflicted women and girls in the country. In Kinshasa, the women delivered over 4,000 letters to First Lady Olive Lembe Kabila from worldwide V-Day activists.

In Kinshasa, five extraordinary Congolese actresses staged a first of its kind performance of *The Vagina Monologues*. Following the event, the audience committed to address the issue and asked that the play be staged for the Parliament and tour Congolese cities and villages, particularly in the remote areas where people are cut off from television. The Congolese participants made the play their own, sparking an unparalleled dialogue between men and women in Congo. As one woman said at a follow up meeting, *"the culture of Congo changed yesterday. The taboo was broken."*

Congo Sabbath Initiative

In support of V-Day's Congo Campaign, the Religious Institute on Sexual Morality Justice and Healing called on over 1,800 faith leaders across the United States to participate in a Congo Sabbath, raising awareness in their congregations about the crisis in the Congo and the V-Day campaign to end it.





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ADVOCATING FOR CHANGE

Leveraging Art, Social Action, and Politics

Turning Pain to Power Tour

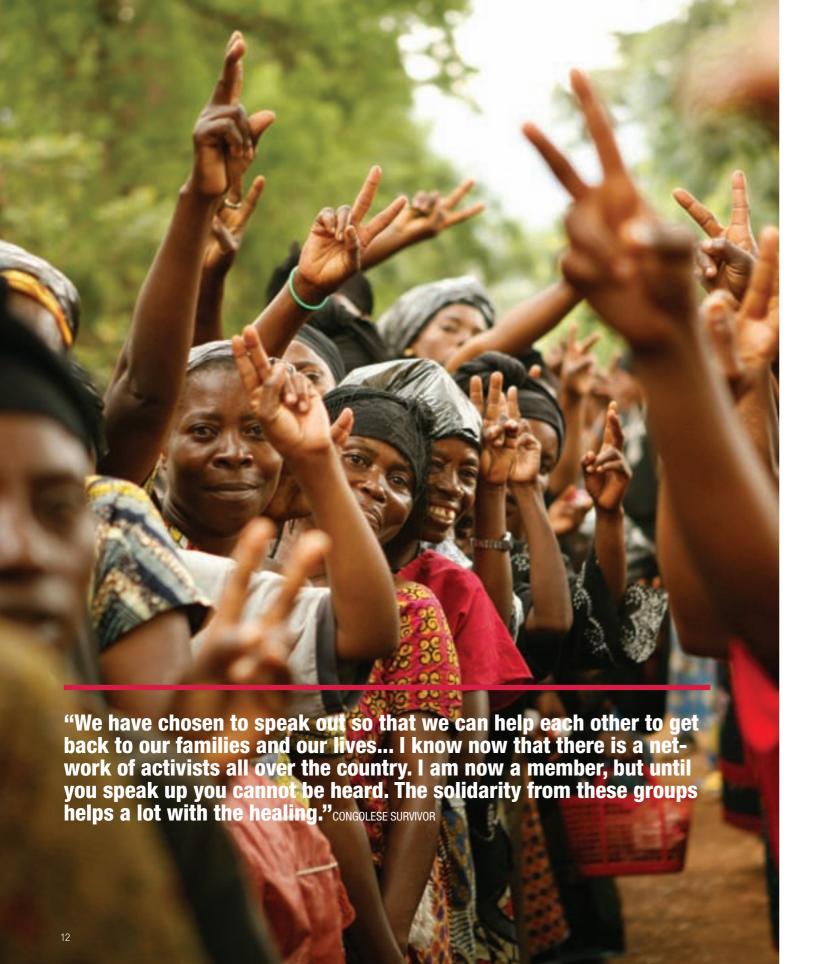
In February, V-Day produced a five-city North American speaking tour featuring Dr. Denis Mukwege, founder of the Panzi Hospital in Bukavu, and Eve in conversation about the femicide in the DRC. The tour was made possible by the OPEN SQUARE Foundation.

Key highlights included:

- A sold out evening at the 92 Street Y in New York City
- A meeting with UN Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon
- A reception hosted by Harry Belafonte, Peter Buffett, Eve, Donna Karan, and David Stone at the Urban Zen Center/Stephen Weiss Studio in New York City
- V-Day's third annual LA Luncheon hosted by Jessica Alba, Eve, Anne Hathaway, Sherry Lansing, Paula Wagner, and V-Day Board members Carole Black, Ilene Chaiken, Rosario Dawson, Linda Pope, and Kerry Washington, with guests including Charlize Theron, California First Lady Maria Shriver, Maria Bello, Christine Lahti, Camryn Manheim, and Dylan McDermott
- A packed house at San Francisco's City Arts & Lectures followed by an intimate reception at Jardiniere restaurant, hosted by Traci Des Jardins, Beth Karpfinger, Wynnette LaBrosse, and V-Board members Emily Scott Pottruck and Sheryl Sandberg
- · A midday lecture at Emory University in Atlanta

- A sold-out event at The Carter Center in Atlanta, with special introduction by V-Day supporter Laura Turner
 Seydel, preceded by a cocktail reception hosted by V-Day Atlanta, Pat Mitchell, Jo Edwards, Karyn Greer, Ayesha Khanna, Vikki Locke, and Laura Turner Seydel
- A Howard University stop in D.C. featuring Congolese singer Edith Sodolo
- Meetings with key decision makers on Capitol Hill including Senators Feingold, Boxer, and Durbin, as well as Congresswomen Schakowsky and Maloney
- A packed house at Busboys & Poets, a famous D.C. coffeehouse, where Eve performed two new monologues
- A Salon hosted by D.C. based V-Board member Beth Dozoretz and fellow V-Board member Pat Mitchell.
 Attendees included the Vice President's son Hunter Biden and his wife, BET's Deborah Lee, and many more
- vday.org was updated daily with images, video and action steps from the tour to connect the hundreds of thousands of V-Day activists around the world

Following the events in D.C., Eve traveled internationally to hold high-profile speeches at: the Canadian Parliament in Toronto; the House of Lords in London, with Lynne Franks, Thandie Newtown and Prime Minister's wife Sarah Brown in attendance; Paris, France with Human Rights Minister Rama Yade and First Lady Carla Bruni Sarkozy; Montpelier, France at the Opera Berlioz; and Brest, France.







PROVIDING SUPPORT

Teach-Ins, Trainings, T-Shirts, and Mountain Tops

Congo Teach-Ins

V-Day staff and colleagues at the Enough Project and STAND created a Congo Teach-In PowerPoint presentation that gave historical context and current information on the conflict in the DRC. Over 1,100 V-Day activists held Teach-Ins – making for a successful new addition to the V-Day toolkit - in 49 U.S. states, and 42 countries: Angola; Australia; Austria; Belgium; Burkina Faso; Burundi; Canada; China; Colombia; Costa Rica; Cuba; Czech Republic; England; Ethiopia; France; Germany; Ghana; Greece; Grenada; Honduras; Ireland; Israel; Italy; Jamaica; Jordan; Kenya; Korea; Kyrgyzstan; Lebanon; Philippines; Portugal; Romania; Scotland; Serbia; Somalia; South Africa; Spain; Sweden; Switzerland; Thailand; Uganda; and the United Arab Emirates

Activist Training in the DRC

From October 28 to November 1, 60 activists from ten different territories gathered in Bukavu to discuss a vision of the Stop Rape campaign, social mobilization and awareness raising techniques, and the law on sexual violence. In January UNICEF staff oversaw the training of 30 activists and ten journalists from local community radios in Maniema on community mobilization and sensitization. In South Kivu, two soccer matches were organized and attended by approximately 10,000 spectators to engage people in the campaign. In Kinshasa and North and South Kivu women and activists presented recommendations to provincial governments. The campaign selected 60 activists for four days of training

to prepare and lead the procession to the provincial assemblies. Honorata, a survivor activist who shared her story at the Bukavu "Women Breaking the Silence" event joined the activities in Kinshasa, speaking at the opening ceremony of the training in front of dignitaries, including the special envoy of First Lady Kabila, provincial ministers, and the media.

Congo Conflict Minerals Act, S. 891

V-Day strategized with other groups and met with the staffs of U.S. Senators Brownback, Durbin, and Feingold on how to get this legislation passed, which calls for transparency on the part of mining companies in the Congo.

T-Shirt for the Cause

OmniPeace and Art of Humanity designed a beautiful T-shirt based on girls' drawings at Panzi Hospital to benefit the campaign.

Scaling New Heights

In response to Eve's 2007 GLAMOUR story about violence in the Congo, 28-year-old Georgina Miranda decided to climb the world's eight highest mountains to raise millions of dollars to help rape survivors. In the summer of 2009, GLAMOUR editor Genevieve Roth joined her and climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro for the cause. Elizabeth Ritchey, a V-Day activist from New York, also climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro to raise funds and awareness for V-Day's Congo campaign.



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BUILDING HOPE

Safe Spaces, Connections, and New Tools

Breaking Ground for the City of Joy Safe House

Construction began in August 2009, in Bukavu, DRC, on the City of Joy which will open in 2010.

V-Wall for Congo Your Voice, Our Victory

A new social networking feature on vday.org was born. The unique application allows activists all over the world to send messages of hope, empowerment, change, and victory to the women of the DRC. Messages are viewed online, as well as printed out and posted on the walls of the Panzi Hospital in Bukavu. Since the launch, thousands of women and men have joined the V-Wall for Congo, standing in solidarity with the women and girls of the DRC, and letting them know that they are not forgotten.

FOUNDER OF ASHÉ CULTURAL ARTS CENTER, NEW ORLEANS, U.S.

The V-Lanterns Project

V-Day facilitated the donation of 500 solar lanterns from the Koinonia Foundation for the V-Lantern Project, which gifted lanterns to families surrounding Panzi Hospital.

The donation provided essential light to 500 households in a poor community that depends on unreliable sources of water, light, and energy.

"Our bodies give housing and sometimes protection to our spirits, yet sometimes our bodies are assaulted in the attempt to destroy our spirit. The women of the Congo have shown us that the spirit really dwells in a different place than simply the body. Despite the terrible and unspeakable things that they have had to tolerate, their spirits shine through." CAROL BEBELLE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CO-

ND GIRLS OF CENTER STAGE





CATALYST

WHY V-DAY STARTED

As hundreds of women lined up to tell her their stories of rape, incest, domestic battery, and female genital mutilation, it became clear that something widespread and dramatic needed to be done to stop the violence.

V-Day was born in 1998 inspired by women's reactions to Eve's award winning play, *The Vagina Monologues*, a ground-breaking piece that brings the audience through the private shame, cultural taboos, and social stigma surrounding rape and abuse, and creates a new conversation about and with women. As Eve performed the piece in small towns and large cities all around the world, she saw and heard first hand the destructive personal, social, political, and economic consequences violence against women has for many nations.

As hundreds of women lined up to tell her their stories of rape, incest, domestic battery, and female genital mutilation, it became clear that something widespread and dramatic needed to be done to stop the violence. Eve began to understand that *The Vagina Monologues* could be more than a moving work of art on violence and the pleasure and the shame women have about their vaginas. She imagined that the performances could be a mechanism for moving people to act to end violence. Based on her conviction that theater and language have the "ability to explode trauma, create public discourse, empower people on the deepest political and spiritual levels, and ultimately move them to action," Eve, with a group of women in New York City, established V-Day on Valentine's Day 1998. Set up as a 501(c)(3) and originally staffed by volunteers, the organization's seed money came from a star-studded, sold out benefit performance at the Hammer-stein Ballroom in New York, a show that raised \$250,000 in a single evening.

V-Day's mission is simple. It demands that violence against women and girls must end. To do this, once a year, in February, March, and April, Eve allows groups around the world to produce a performance of the play, as well as other works created by V-Day, and use the proceeds for local individual projects and programs that work to end violence against women and girls, often shelters and rape crisis centers. Any activist or group whose mission is in line with V-Day can apply online to organize a benefit performance. What began as one event in New York City in 1998, today includes over 5,000 V-Day events annually.

Performance is just the beginning. V-Day stages large-scale benefits and produces innovative gatherings, films, and campaigns to educate and change social attitudes towards violence against women.

VISION



Working at the intersection of art, social action, and politics, V-Day empowers grassroots activists to become leaders, turning pain to power.

WHO WE ARE

V-Day is a global movement of grassroots activists dedicated to generating broader attention and funds to stop violence against women and girls, including rape, battery, incest, female genital mutilation (FGM), and sex slavery.

WHAT WE DO

Create dialogue and shatter taboos around violence against women and girls through thousands of events in over 130 countries

Inspire and support activists who are working to create a world where women and girls are nurtured and protected, through grassroots activism, public education activities, and support services for survivors.

Create new opportunities and resources for women and girls.

HOW WE DO IT

Support local activists in producing benefit performances of Eve Ensler's award winning play *The Vagina Monologues* and other creative vehicles, the proceeds of which are invested in local anti-violence activities.

Encourage V-Day performances around the world to Spotlight and raise awareness for especially egregious situations of abuse against women in order to focus global attention on places often forgotten by the mainstream media.

Direct a portion of the proceeds from local V-Day performances around the world to support existing groups and create new local groups that will continue the anti-violence work for years to come.

Partner with artists, companies, government foundations, and other social movements to broaden the human and financial resources dedicated to ending violence against women and girls.

Identify grassroots leaders in the movement to end violence against women and support them politically and financially so they may expand and deepen their leadership capacity and train others to become leaders.



V-Day's Long-Term Vision

V-Day dreams of a world in which women and girls will be free to thrive, rather than merely survive. With your help, we can make it happen.

Shattering the Silence

One of every three women in the world today will personally experience physical or sexual violence, according to the United Nations. Although sources of violence may seem diverse, women's responses sound tragically similar. Besides the pain and strength you will hear in their survival stories, the themes that resound across cultures and geographies are of the indifference of authorities, the familial instinct of denial, and the lack of public outrage about the violence that millions of women experience every day. V-Day was born of the belief that until these themes are addressed, these violations named and taken up by whole communities as an unacceptable desecration of human dignity, the violence will continue.

V-Day's activities start by attacking the silence – public and private – that allows violence against women to occur and to continue.

V-Day Has Three Core Beliefs

ART HAS THE POWER
TO REACH, TRANSFORM, AND
INSPIRE PEOPLE TO ACT

EMPOWERED WOMEN
ARE UNSTOPPABLE LEADERS
AND LASTING SOCIAL AND
CULTURAL CHANGE IS SPREAD
THROUGH THEIR EXPERIENCE

YOU CANNOT END VIOLENCE
AGAINST WOMEN WITHOUT
LOOKING AT THE INTERSECTION
OF POVERTY, RACISM, THE
ENVIRONMENT, AND WAR



BEYOND BORDERS



V-DAY IS A FIERCE UNSTOPPABLE MOVEMENT IN OVER 130 COUNTRIES



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AFGHANISTAN ANGOLA

ANGUILLA

ANTARCTICA
ANTIGUA AND

BARBUDA

ARGENTINA

ARUBA

AUSTRALIA

AUSTRIA BAHAMAS

BARBADOS

BELGIUM

BELIZE

BERMUDA

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

BOTSWANA

BRAZIL

BULGARIA

BURKINA FASO

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CAMBODIA CAMEROON

CANADA CHINA

THE DEMOCRATIC

REPUBLIC OF CONGO

COSTA RICA

CROATIA CYPRUS

CZECH REPUBLIC

DENMARK

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

EAST TIMOR

ECUADOR EGYPT

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UGANDA

UKRAINE UNITED ARAB

EMIRATES

UNITED STATES

UNITED STATES
MINOR OUTLYING

ISLANDS

URUGUAY

UZBEKISTAN

VIETNAM
VIRGIN ISLANDS, U.S.

WALES YUGOSLAVIA ZAMBIA

ZIMBABWE

"I learned at a profound level the significance

of V-Day and its impact

on people all over

the globe. I was very

moved upon hearing the desperation and

atrocities combined with

the hope and healing

in the Congo based upon the incredible work

of this movement. One

thing that can start

immediately is the

education process of BOTH men and women

surrounding the systematic abuse of

women everywhere.

Thanks for inviting me to participate, thanks

for opening my eyes."

GRIFF GUENTHER, CALIFORNIA, U.S.

ART AND ACTIVISM



COLLEGE AND COMMUNITY

Through V-Day's College and Community Campaigns, the universal message – that ending violence against women and girls is both personal and global – is brought everywhere, from Durban to Detroit. The college and community campaigns effect change locally as V-Day activists directly engage their cast, beneficiary, audience, public, media, and civic leaders.

I began producing V-Day events in my community ten years ago to support local anti-violence groups. By coming forward and being a vocal survivor of both sexual assault and domestic violence, I showed other women that they could do the same. I'm most proud of having had the opportunity to inspire other women to engage their activism. NANCY RAFI. V-DAY ACTIVIST PROVIDENCE, RHODE

ISLAND, U.S.

Over the past 11 years, during V-Season (February-April) thousands of individuals staged V-Day benefit productions in their communities and on college campuses to raise awareness and funds for groups working to end violence against women and girls. After channeling ten percent of its proceeds back to V-Day's Spotlight Campaign, the group then is free to donate the rest to local projects in their communities. College and community activists raise an annual average of \$4 million for local groups such as domestic violence shelters and rape crises centers through benefit performances of *The Vagina Monologues; A Memory, A Monologue, A Rant and A Prayer* (which has lead to the significant growth of men's involvement in the V-Day movement), and screenings of V-Day's documentary *Until The Violence Stops.* In 2009, V-Day introduced two new pieces for organizers to produce, both dedicated to the issue of women in prison, *Any One Of Us: Words From Prison*, which reveals the connection between women in prison and the violence that often brings them there, and *What I Want My Words To Do To You*, the PBS documentary based on Eve's writing group at Bedford Hills Corectional Facility.

The number of V-Day benefit productions has steadily increased each year since the first event in 1998. In 2009, 1,400 colleges and communities registered to host V-Day events and over 5,200 events took place.

In Mumbai, India, where the 200th performance of *The Vagina Monologues* took place, and in Zagreb, Croatia, where The Centre for Women's Studies Zagreb, the Centre for Women Victims of War, and Women's Room, celebrated ten years of V-Day in Croatia, V-Day activists, outspoken survivors (Haseena Hussain), renowned performers (Shankar Mahadevan) and directors (Lovleen Tandonn, co-director of *Slumdog Millionaire*) galvanized audiences to join the V-Day movement.

LUNA, a long time V-Day College & Community Campaign Sponsor continued their annual support and provided 322,800 free LUNA bars to our activists for their audiences. In eleven years, over 11,000 non-profit groups have benefited worldwide from these local V-Day productions.

V-DAY: UNTIL THE VIOLENCE STOPS FESTIVALS

V-Day activists, inspired by V-Day's first festival in 2006, V-DAY: UNTIL THE VIOLENCE STOPS: NYC, continued to take the initiative in their own communities this year.

In Detroit, V-Day organizer Deborah Garrett gathered 100 activists for a two-week festival that broke many barriers and highlighted the bond between V-Day activists. Previous Kentucky festival organizer, LeTonia Jones, facilitated a panel discussion following the production of *Any One Of Us*: *Words from Prison*.

"It was a privilege to share this experience with the city. There are some successes that can't be measured in monetary gain, like when a young poet at the Spoken Word Poetry Event expressed surprise at having shared her story. It was the first time she had ever told anyone about her abuse. I will hold the moments I shared on this journey close to me always."

DEBORAH GARRET, V-DAY ACTIVIST, DETROIT, MICHIGAN, U.S.

Dedicated V-Day activist Nancy Rafi organized the second annual V-DAY UNTIL THE VIOLENCE STOPS: PROVIDENCE festival raising \$25,000 for 17 local NGOs working to end violence against women and girls. More than 15 events were held across the city culminating with a Red Tent day of healing for Rhode Island women.

For the first time outside of the United States, Canadian activists in Halifax, Nova Scotia, organized a V-DAY UNTIL THE VIOLENCE STOPS festival that included a self-defense course and a youth art show. Festival producer Kim MacDonald galvanized men to get involved, and a group of male community leaders and activists participated in a workshop that explored men's relationships to violence against women and girls.



"The audience stood up on their feet for the first performance and the 25 women on stage. Laughter and tears came from the audience, utter joy for the women who worked so hard to share themselves with each other and the public. One person after another signed the letters to the President of Congo. They got it, they understood." BARI HOCHWALD, V DAY ORGANIZER, FLORENCE, ITALY

"The Women's Reentry Network, was the proud beneficiary of a powerful performance of *Any One Of Us: Words From Prison*. The proceeds will help provide incarcerated women with art supplies, folders, and journal books, and by giving us the spotlight we will continue to stand with those who are unable. Thank you V-Day University of Arizona!" CRISTINE SARDINA, PROGRAM DEVELOPER,

WREN-WOMEN'S REENTRY NETWORK THICSON ARIZONA



Over a thousand anti-violence groups benefited from local V-Day events in 2009 180 Turning Lives Around 2000 Roses Foundation A Safe Home for Everybody (ASHÉ Cultural Arts Center) A Safe Place A Window Between Worlds A Woman's Place Abby's House ADV & SAS Advocacy Center of Ithaca Advocate Safehouse Project Advocates of Ozaukee AGEHB - Animation et Gestion de l'emploi et l'hebergement en Bretagne Agfas Foyer Pour Femmes d'Ales AIDS Community Alliance Women's Project Albany Law School Family Violence Litigation Clinic Albion Fellows Bacon Center Alice Housing Alison McAteer House Alma de Mujer Alternatives for Batternatives For Girls Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse Amberly's Place AMEND Amnesty International Anti-Rape Task Force Apex PD Art Matters Society Artemis House (formerly Fairfax County Women's Shelter) Artemisia Centro Antiviolenza Asian Americans for Community Involvement - Asian Women's Home Asian Women's Home Asociaciún Hogar Nuevos Horizontes Assault Care Center Extending Shelter and Support Association Against Violent Communication ASU Home Safe Atlanta Women's Foundation Augustana Women's Association Auldern Academy Autumn House Avalon Sexual Assault Centre Avery Citizens Against Domestic Violence (ACADA) Avera Sexual Abuse Centre Bantay Bata BARCC (Boston Area Rape Crisis Center) Barrier Free Living Battered Women's Shelter of Hurst Battle Creek SAFE Place Bay Area Turning Point Bay Area Women's Center Beendigen Inc. Benton County Women's Shelter Berks Women in Crisis Center Bethesda, INC Betty Griffin House BHSN Big Country Victim Services Birmingham & Solihull Women's Aid Blackburn Center Blair Family Services Incorporated Blue Monarch Bluegrass Rape Bolton Refuge House Boston Area Rape Crisis Center Boston Medical Center Domestic Violence



EMPOWERMENT PHILANTHROPY IN ACTION

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V-DAY 2010

ENVISIONING THE FUTURE

In 2010, V-Day will continue to focus on **our STOP RAPING OUR GREATEST RESOURCE** campaign in the DRC, building off of the momentum we've already created and engaging our activists to go further. We'll continue our expansion in Europe and the UK, and launch two new programs to expand the conversation around ending violence against women -V-GIRLS and V-MEN.

Opening of City of Joy Safe House

City of Joy is a place where we will turn pain to power, healing and supporting survivors of violence to become the next leaders of the DRC. Opening for 100 survivors on March 8, International Women's Day, the safe house is a cornerstone of the global campaign STOP RAPING OUR GREATEST RESOURCE: Power To The Women And Girls Of The DRC.

V-Girls

Eve's newest work, I Am an Emotional Creature: The Secret Life of Girls Around the World, will be released by Random House in February 2010, and will be the creative vehicle through which teen girls are invited to join the V-Day movement. Made up of original monologues about and for girls from around the world, the book aims to inspire girls to take agency over their minds, bodies, hearts, and curiosities.

V-Day has developed a targeted pilot program —

V-Girls — engaging young women in our 'empowerment philanthropy' model, igniting their activism and giving them a voice. Readings of the book will be staged in 20 locations, where teen girls will engage in the creative process, accompanied by a specially written curriculum addressing the issues in the book.

V-Men

Developed by men, V-Men is a new program aimed at bringing the voices of men and boys into the worldwide movement. Lead by Creative Advisor Mark Matousek, Development Advisor Michael Balaoing, and Outreach Advisor Jimmie Briggs, V-Men will work with men and boys in communities to explore the issue of violence against women from a male perspective, addressing the root causes of the violence and the ways men can help end it. Over the next year, V-Day organizers will hold V-Men workshops with men and boys throughout the world, as well as experts from a variety of fields. These workshops will lead to the development of a V-Men curriculum and theatrical piece, scheduled to debut in 2011.

Political Support

V-Day will continue to dialogue and keep the pressure on, leveraging our relationships with the United Nations and government leaders in the U.S., UK, Europe, and the DRC. Eve will continue a series of high profile speeches, including appearances at the European Parliament; TEDIndia: The Future Beckons, an international conference looking at the future of the world through science, business, the arts and the global issues; Cinema Verite, an esteemed gathering of thinkers in the arts; and The Women's Conference, the "Super Bowl" of women's forums hosted by California First Lady Maria Shriver.

UK and European Expansion

Spearheaded by V-Day's new Europe Director Karin Heisecke, in collaboration with a leading team of activists and media experts, V-Day will work hand in hand with local grassroots activists to bring the issue of violence against women and girls, and V-Day's global Congo campaign, to audiences and government leaders in Europe and the UK.

Congo Teach-Ins & House Parties

In addition to hosting a Congo Teach-In, V-Day will invite activists to hold a Congo House Party.

Groups will gather in a more intimate setting to learn about V-Day's Congo Campaign, talk about the issues, and organize action. Congo House Parties will include a screening of V-Day's 11-minute documentary film entitled "Turning Pain to Power" that includes personal testimonies of Congolese women and inspirational footage of activist groups on the ground, followed by a Q&A using discussion tools provided by V-Day.

New & Improved V-Spot

V-Day's private social network and online tool center for activists will feature a greatly improved user interface, expanded capabilities, and information.

Increased social networking functionality will enhance activists to connect directly with one another, share ideas, and learn from and support each other's events.

Increasing Our Online Presence

vday.org will continue with its content expansion, including a new slideshow feature enabling audio commentaries. V-Day's social networking site, The V-Wall For Congo, will become more fully featured, enabling activists to share videos, photos, blogs, and other online tools connecting them with activists throughout the world. Outreach on Facebook, MySpace, and Twitter will continue, gaining a larger audience and keeping our activists up to date on important news and action steps.

"Eve's passion provides the greatest example of leadership I have seen in my career. That passion is infused in everything V-Day, fueling social change in hearts and minds at an impressive rate around the world." SHERYL SANDRERG COO OF FACEBOOK AND V-DAY BOARD MEMBER



CHANGING THE STORY

ENVISIONING NEW PATHS AND DEVELOPING RESOURCES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

V-Day Safe Houses

Across the globe in some of the most underserved areas, V-Day partners with local women to transform the lives of girls and women. V-Day Safe Houses in Narok, Kenya; Port au Prince, Haiti; Pine Ridge Reservation and Yankton Sioux Reservation, South Dakota; Cairo, Egypt; Baghdad, Iraq and Bukavu, DRC have been envisioned and established as community centers where women and girls can be safe, heal, learn, and develop their innate leadership. Despite the political and social contexts in which women live, the safe houses provide a way for women to overcome social barriers that otherwise impair their ability to be safe from violence.

2009 UPDATES

Kenya 2nd Safe House opened!

The Sakutiek Rescue Center is the second V-Day Safe House founded by Agnes Pareyio, a FGM survivor and internationally recognized leader. The center, located in the Rift Valley, in Masailand, 100 miles West of Nairobi, is a safe haven for girls escaping from FGM and early marriage; a place where young women can safely celebrate an alternative "rite of passage" enabling Masai women to follow their tradition without undergoing the cut. It is located near a school facilitating the continued education for the girls who are housed here.

Haiti Opened and operational!

The V-Day Haiti Sorority Safe House in Port Au Prince opened in August 2008, providing shelter to women survivors of violence and their children, as well as psychological, legal and medical support. Valuable life-skills in health, business and computer literacy training are also provided to ensure reintegration back into civil life.

Pakistan In progress

V-Day is collaborating with the Progressive Women's Association, under the leadership of celebrated Pakistani women's rights activist Shahnaz Bukhari, to establish a new clandestine safe house. In a country besieged by conflict and fundamentalist activity, where gender based violence is a daily reality for women, the safe house will not only provide protection to approximately 420 women a year, but will help to transform their lives with psychological support, life-skills, and vocational training programs, linking to medical services and legal aid.





"Pidamaya (thank you) to each and every one of you for helping us help ourselves. Your equipment will help the women in our Shelter reach for self-sufficiency and economic independence. Through your generosity, you are helping women to break the ties of dependency." CHARON ASETOYER, FOUNDER, NATIVE AMERICAN WOMEN'S HEALTH EDUCATION RESOURCE CENTER, YANKTON SIOUX RESERVATION, SOUTH

DAKOTA

The City of Joy will provide women a place to heal emotionally as they rebuild their lives, turn their pain to power, and return back to their communities to lead.

United States

Yankton Sioux Reservation

V-Day helped the Native American Women's Health Education Resource Center, located on the Yankton Sioux Reservation in Lake Andes, to connect with Trimbach, a New York-based firm that collects laptops for a donation program. The laptops will help women to develop essential computer literacy skills and secure employment interviews.

Democratic Republic of Congo

In progress

The City of Joy: Pain to Power, Healing Through Leading: A goal of V-Day & UNICEF's campaign with the women of the Democratic Republic of Congo — STOP RAPING OUR GREATEST RESOURCE: Power To The Women and Girls of the DRC — is to provide necessary resources and support for women survivors of sexual violence to rebuild and transform their lives so that they can reintegrate into civil society as leaders. V-Day and UNICEF, in partnership with Panzi Foundation — which oversees the only medical facility to provide fistula surgery to rape survivors in South Kivu — is creating a special facility called the City of Joy, which will be located in Bukavu.

The City of Joy will be a transformational community where women's pain will be turned into their power, empowering them to be leaders and providing them with a place to heal emotionally as they rebuild their lives. At the site, groundbreaking programming in human rights, activism, economic literacy, group therapy, storytelling, dance, theater, self-defense, comprehensive sexuality education, and ecology will provide women with important life-skills, emboldening them to shatter gender norms and be leaders in Congolese society. The community will also run an income-generating program and link to a local women-run radio station.



CHANGING THE STORY

V-Peace Scholarships

The V-Peace Scholarship program identifies, supports, and educates young women to be leaders in their communities and has only one provision: that the recipient agrees to give back by working to stop violence against women and girls in her own community. Scholarships, which range from \$500 to \$5,000, are awarded to young women who would not otherwise have an opportunity for education and who demonstrate a seeking spirit, a fierce and compassionate nature, and exceptional promise as leaders. Funds are used for secondary schooling, graduate studies, special leadership trairing, and general expenses such as books, materials, and transportation. This program has been made possible by the generous support of the Skees Family Foundation.

V-Peace Scholarships have been given to girls throughout the world, including Narok and Nairobi in Kenya, Sri Lanka,
Pakistan, Goma in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Juarez, Meyico, and New Orleans in the United States

"After witnessing the message of hope as a response to hate, conveyed by Eve Ensler's play *The Vagina Monologues*, never again could I imagine myself as separate from any survivor of violence. The V-Peace Scholarship program was created to give young girls at home and abroad a fair shot at a good education and a self-determined future. We cannot change past injustices, but we absolutely can heal one another's hurts through small acts of kindness that add up to enormous power." SUZANNE SKEES



CHANGING THE STORY



Karama = **Arabic** for **Dignity**

As the V-Day movement has spread across the planet, it has supported the work of visionary change-makers, leaders, and grassroots activists who have worked to undo long-held cultural beliefs that keep violence against women and girls intact.

In 2005, one such leader, Hibaag Osman, founded V-Day Karama which seeks to raise the profile and expand the influence of Arab women as leaders in regional and international contexts to end the violence against women in the Middle East and North Africa. Karama's mission is to increase the roles and contributions of Arab women in key civil society sectors, including politics, economics, health, art/culture, education, media, law, and religion.

Karama has received international attention and recognition for its effective approach to ending violence. Rather than looking at violence and its victims in isolation, Karama takes a broader view in the belief that violence affects women and men, girls and boys, at all levels of society and in all areas of their lives. To bring an end to violence against women, it is therefore necessary to identify the ways it effects and is effected by politics, economics, health, art/culture, education, media, law, and religion – the things that matter most in people's daily lives – and to design strategies to combat it through each of these spheres.

Karama's partners include organizations in Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Algeria, Morocco, Sudan, Tunisia, and Palestine who have experience in political advocacy, research, service provision, community outreach, and working with targeted groups.

After 5 years of V-Day support, Karama, having secured a sizeable grant, will become an independent non-profit in 2010. V-Day is proud to have incubated this project and supported Karama's vision to provide extraordinary solutions for creating lasting cultural change.





IMPACTMedia, Honors and Event Highlights

Media

V-Day 2009 generated over 200 million media impressions in the U.S. alone with a strong focus on the Congo, plus ongoing local coverage of the thousands of local V-Day benefit events taking place globally February through April.

East Africa Bureau Chief Jeffrey Gettleman covered V-Day and UNICEF "Breaking the Silence" activities on the ground resulting in a front page story in The New York Times investigating the rape of women in the DRC.

Eve penned her first Op-Ed for the Washington Post on Congo.

The New York Times columnist Bob Herbert wrote about the rape of women in Congo based on his in depth meeting in NYC with Dr. Denis Mukwege and Eve.

Eve penned her first Guardian Op-Ed taking a critical look at MONUC operations in Congo.

The Associated Press, People magazine, Los Angeles Times, and Access Hollywood covered V-Day's annual LA luncheon bringing the stories of the Congo to a mainstream entertainment audience.

Eve was interviewed multiple times for the news, and sat for a one on one segment with award-winning anchor Riz Kahn on AL JAZEERA International.

CNN Inside Africa featured Eve multiple times providing first hand accounts of her trips to Congo.

Eve penned a series of Op-Eds on Congo for Huffington Post including co-authoring a piece with AIDS Free World Founder, Stephen Lewis.

Honors

Eve was honored at CNN's annual "Inspire Summit," received the YWCA's Fearless Leader Award at their 150th anniversary gala, and The New School presented her with an honorary degree. Women's eNews' "21 Leaders for the 21st Century" honored V-Day Congo Director Christine Schuler Deschryver for her work to end sexual violence in the DRC.

Speaking and Special Events

Swimming Upstream, starring the original New
Orleans cast, enjoyed a three week run in Atlanta
followed by a special performance in New Orleans for
the 10th Anniversary of the Ashé Cultural Arts Center.

ABC Carpet and Home hosted a fundraiser for our Congo work. The event raised over \$30,000. A spotlight video featuring Paula Allen's DRC photos and three new poems about the Congo by Eve premiered.

Eve presented Making A Difference for Women award to singer/activist Angelique Kidjo at the National Council for Research on Women's annual event in New York.

Eve spoke and supported Karama Founder Hibaaq
Osman at the first V-Day Karama conference in
Rabat, Morocco, which was attended by impressive
network of activists from throughout the Middle East.

Senators Barbara Boxer and Russ Feingold held a
U.S. Senate hearing entitled "Rape as a Weapon of
War in the DRC" and invited Eve to provide expert
testimony, alongside Congolese activists and experts.

V-Day Board member Rosario Dawson gave Eve's remarks at the Men Stopping Rape conference in Washington, D.C.

Eve focused her speaking engagements on the Congo at events including: "Ending Sexual Violence in the DRC" in Toronto with AIDS Free World Founder Stephen Lewis and Panzi Hospital Founder Dr. Denis Mukwege; Congo Rally at Lafayette Park in D.C. hosted by Friends of the Congo and other groups; the Inaugural Peace Ball presented by Busboys and Poets with Michael Franti and Spearhead, Joan Baez, and more; "Creating a Revolution" hosted by Michelle Landsberg Lewis in Toronto; "Until The Violence Stops", a special evening at the Canadian Parliament in Ottawa, Canada; "A Call To Men" conference in NYC; and the "D7: All Things Digital" conference in Carlsbad. CA for an audience of technology leaders and CEOs where Eve focused on conflict minerals and the connection between the electronics industry and sexual violence in Congo.

SERVICE

SERVING V-DAY UNTIL THE VIOLENCE STOPS

Board Of Directors

Eve Ensler

Pat Mitchell

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Staff

help guide and support V-Day in its work.

Eve Ensler

V-Day's Board of Directors is a group of extraordinary

women who provide vision, leadership, and wisdom to

Susan Celia Swan

Purva Panday

Christine Schuler Deschryver















Donna Karan

Katherine McFate























V-Day is housed in people's hearts and minds rather than in one physical location.

As a virtual organization, V-Day staff is located in Atlanta, Bukavu, Cairo, Chicago, New York, Paris, San Francisco and Santa Fe.

Our small staff of ten work from home offices around the world to directly engage V-Day's network of dedicated activists (millions strong and growing) as the movement spans across the globe. Incorporated as a 501(c)(3) in the state of California, V-Day's organizational philosophy is low overhead with maximum results, such that we give away 87 cents of every dollar raised. Together with the funds generated by our activist network, annually V-Day raises \$5 million which is given directly to local anti-violence work, and \$2 million for V-Day programs and services. A V-Board and a small group of longtime volunteers provide critical assistance and their many talents to V-Day's efforts. Eve Ensler, V-Day's founder and artistic director, is a volunteer and has never received payment from V-Day for her work.

V-Day values empowerment through leadership. Staff members receive ongoing opportunities to "take the lead," managing and overseeing all aspects of a project, event or program, and liaising with the staff and outside partners. A targeted staff and program expansion is underway for 2010. **Carole Black**

Ilene Chaiken

Rosario Dawson

Beth Dozoretz

Jane Fonda

Salma Havek

Linda Pope

Emily Scott Pottruck

Cari Ross

Sheryl Sandberg

(COO, Facebook)

Susan Celia Swan

Kerry Washington

Kate Fisher

Cecile Lipworth

Tony Montenieri

Shael Norris

Hibaaq Osman

Amy Squires

Laura Waleryszak

Brian Walsh, in New York

Rada Boric Balkans:

Tamsin Larby United Kingdom;

Agnes Pareyio *Kenya; and*

Marie-Cecile Renaud France



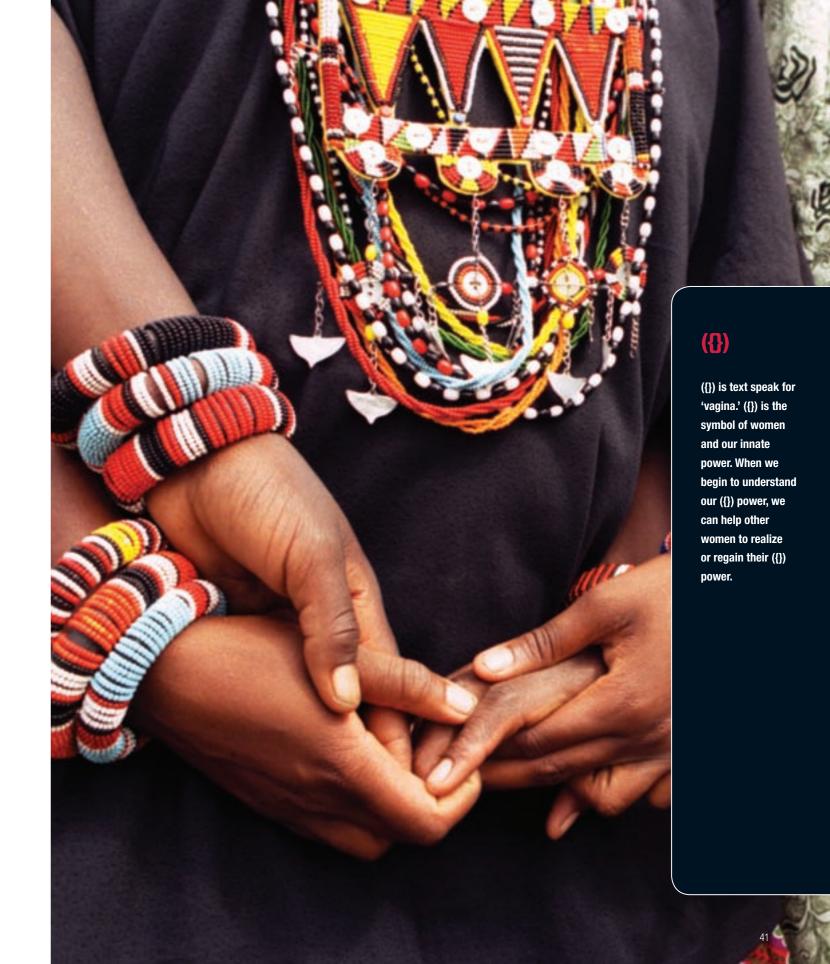
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

for the fiscal year ending June 2009

INCOME

Total Expenses	\$ 3,321,237
Total Staff & Administration	\$ 432,040
Finance and Infrastructure	\$ 218,143
Development	\$ 213,897
Staff & Administration	<u> </u>
Total Programs, Awards, Goods & Services	\$ 2,889,197
Donated Goods & Services	\$ 250,000
Goods & Services	
Total Awards *	\$ 860,245
Congo Campaign	\$ 494,450
V-Day Awards (Safe Houses, V-Peace Scholarships and Other)	\$ 365,795
Awards	
Total Programs	\$ 1,778,952
New Initiatives	\$ 39,083
Congo	\$ 512,031
Website/V-Spot	\$ 126,246
V-Day Karama	\$ 685,921
Communications	\$ 219,051
Community & College Campaign	\$ 196,620
Programs	
EXPENSES	
Total Income	\$ 3,321,237
Merchandise	\$ 17,195
V-Day Campaign Spotlight Contributions	\$ 229,055
Donated Goods & Services	\$ 250,000
Individual Donors & Corporate Sponsors	\$ 1,000,100
Foundations	

* An additional
\$4 million was raised
by V-Day's College
and Community
Campaign and donated
directly to local
anti-violence groups.







\$1,000,000+

"V-Day is one of the most visionary, strategic, and we know working to make the world safe for creativity and passion V-Day Team bring to this work will surely hasten an end to the epidemic and women. The world work—the lives of women, men, boys, and airls, depend on it. We are proud and honored to support V-Day."

\$200.000+

Carnegie Corporation of New York | Anonymous

\$100,000+

Sara Blakely Foundation I Anonymous

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\$20.000+

ABC Home and Planet Foundation I Jessica Alba & Piaget I Anonymous I Carole Black I Anne Hathaway & **Cartier | Ron & Cheryl Howard | Donna** Karan | LUNA | Linda Pope | Emily Scott Pottruck | Turner Foundation | **Christiana Wyly**

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The Stone Award Established in 2003 in honor of David Stone for his outstanding philanthropic work on behalf of women and girls, the Stone Award is given to a supporter who furthers V-Day's mission through philanthropy. The following have received the award:

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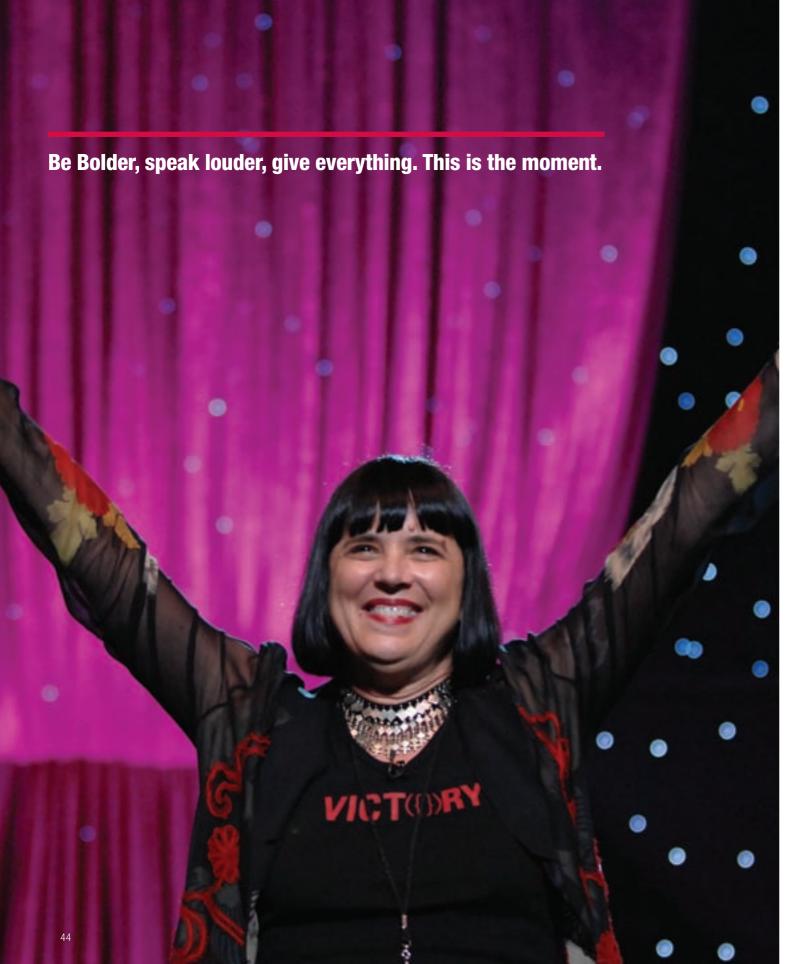
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Tens of thousands of talented volunteers dedicated their time to spreading the movement each and every day. Thanks to them the V-Day movement has spread across the planet, with kindness, energy, and creativity.

We also extend our heartfelt thanks to the following individuals who have so generously provided their pro bono legal guidance: Janet Abrams, Janet **Dubrovolny, and Nancy Rose.**

And to Paula Allen whose stunning photojournalism tells the story of V-Day.





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TURN PAIN TO POWERJoin V-Day – End Violence

Support V-Day

Donate

Support online at vday.org/donate or mail check to:

v-Day

303 Park Ave South

Suite # 1184

New York, NY 10010-3657

Make checks payable to V-Day. Your donations are fully tax-deductible within the U.S.

Engage Your Community

Organize A V-Day Event

Every year V-Day benefit productions take place in hundreds of locations around the world. These events are organized by local college students and community activists – people just like you. Organize a V-Event. vday.org/organize

See V-Day In Action

Attend a V-Day event

Find a local V-Day benefit production near you and help raise money for groups working in your area to end violence against women and girls. vday.org/events

Stay Updated

Sign up for V-Mail

Get news of actions, opportunities and performances. Get the latest messages from Eve. Get involved, and stay involved. vday.org/vmail

Network

Join The V-Wall For Congo

Join V-Day's online social network to meet activists from all over the world and to share your messages of hope, empowerment, change, and solidarity with the women and girls of the Democratic Republic of Congo. vday.org/v-wall V-DAY IS AN ORGANIZED RESPONSE AGAINST VIOLENCE TOWARD WOMEN V-DAY IS A VISION: WE SEE A WORLD WHERE WOMEN LIVE SAFELY AND FREELY V-DAY IS A DEMAND: RAPE, INCEST, BATTERY, FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION AND SEX SLAVERY MUST END NOW V-DAY IS A SPIRIT: WE BELIEVE WOMEN SHOULD SPEND THEIR LIVES CREATING AND THRIVING RATHER THAN SURVIVING OR RECOVERING FROM TERRIBLE ATROCITIES V-DAY IS A CATALYST: BY RAISING MONEY AND CONSCIOUSNESS, IT WILL UNIFY AND STRENGTHEN EXISTING ANTI-VIOLENCE EFFORTS. TRIGGERING FAR-REACHING AWARENESS, IT WILL LAY THE GROUNDWORK FOR NEW EDUCATIONAL, PROTECTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE ENDEAVORS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD V-DAY IS A PROCESS: WE WILL WORK AS LONG AS IT TAKES. WE WILL NOT STOP UNTIL THE VIOLENCE STOPS V-DAY IS A DAY. WE PROCLAIM VALENTINE'S DAY AS V-DAY TO CELEBRATE WOMEN AND END THE VIOLENCE V-DAY IS A FIERCE, WILD, AND UNSTOPPABLE MOVEMENT AND COMMUNITY





