Chancellor's Task Force on Sexual & Relationship Violence (http://inclusion.syr.edu/srv/chancellors-task-force/)

SAFETY EXIT (http://www.syr.edu/)

Message from the Chancellor

Dear Syracuse University community members,



SU Chancellor Syverud

The Chancellor's Task Force on Sexual and Relationship Violence has been hard at work since it was created on April 23, 2015. On a recommendation by the Chancellor's Workgroup on Sexual Violence Prevention, Education and Advocacy, I appointed a 30-member task force to address improvements in sexual violence prevention, education and advocacy services.

The task force is made up of dedicated students, faculty and staff with various expertise and perspectives, along with the executive director of Vera House. They review the services, policies and programs that make up our effort to combat sexual and relationship violence. I am thankful for their diligence and continued efforts in making this a safer, more supportive campus.

We saw the results of their critical work during the visit by Vice President Joseph R. Biden L'68 in November. He was here as part of the "It's On Us" campaign and the National Week of Action. The task force also hosted a number of other events that week. Through their efforts, we look forward to the many ways we will see our campus tackle this important issue.

Along with the task force members, many peer educators, student organizations, staff and faculty members, and individual students are dedicated to this cause. We must all join with them to end sexual and relationship violence. It is all of our responsibility to ensure a safe campus environment.



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Chancellor Kent Syverud

Task Force Charge

- To continue to review the University's current policies, practices, programs, and procedures for preventing and effectively responding to sexual and relationship violence, and keep apprised of federal and state initiatives;
- To continue to explore the promising practices of other institutions and resources available from other organizations,