Callisto

Supporting Survivors, Protecting Communities

A Project of Sexual Health Innovations

Callisto is an online college sexual assault reporting system designed to (a) create a more empowering reporting experience for survivors, (b) provide authorities with better evidence and data on sexual assault, and (c) facilitate the identification of repeat assailants.

The statistics on campus sexual assault are staggering:

- 20% of women, 7% of men, and 24% of trans and gender nonconforming students are sexually assaulted during their college careers.
- An estimated 90% of assaults are committed by repeat assailants.
- Less than 10% of college assault survivors report to administrators, local police, campus security, or other authorities. For those who do report, the process is often retraumatizing and rarely results in justice.

Callisto provides a **confidential and secure way to create a time-stamped record of an assault**, learn about reporting options and support resources, and report electronically to campus authorities. It also enables survivors to **report their assault only if someone else reports the same assailant**. This innovative matching system is the first of its kind, and it means that survivors who won't come forward alone can come forward together. Callisto reimagines the reporting process from a position of compassion, empathy, and support for survivors, ultimately empowering them to have greater control over their experience.

Colleges have an ethical, reputational and financial interest in preventing and responding to campus sexual violence and are increasingly being held accountable by key stakeholders.

- By increasing transparency and control around campus sexual assault and the reporting process, Callisto provides a solution for the 4,600 higher education institutions in the United States and the 760,000 undergraduates assaulted each year on their campuses.
- Callisto is currently being piloted at the University of San Francisco and Pomona College, who have paid a combined \$41,000 for a year-long contract.

The ultimate goal of Callisto is to help create a world where survivors are supported and sexual assault is rare and unacceptable.

To date, SHI has **raised more than \$1.1 million in philanthropic support** for Callisto from organizations including Google.org, NoVo Foundation, the Levi-Strauss Foundation, and the New York Women's Foundation.

To learn more about Callisto, please visit projectcallisto.org.

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