

Process Paper

From the beginning of the National History Day project being mentioned, I wanted to do something related to the LGBTQ+ community. I wanted to do so as a contribution to people who identify as LGBTQ+. I just didn't know what exactly it was that I wanted to focus in on, and all until the end, I winged the project with a topic I found; the Save Our Children Campaign, formed by Anita Bryant. The Save Our Children Campaign was a topic completely new to me, so in choosing this topic, I was also given the opportunity to learn about something new.

To begin, since the topic I chose was chosen on a whim, I didn't know how I wanted to approach and apply the theme. Taking Bryant's side might have given me the image of an anti-gay rights supporter, which was something I wanted to avoid. However, I also didn't want the crux to be the pro-gay rights supporters, so I searched for information on my topic ranging from when the topic happened to recent days. In doing so, I could focus on both sides of the story, short- and long-term impact, and stay rather neutral. Following instructions and tips from teachers, I searched for websites and interviews on specifically the topic, while also checking out books about LGBTQ+ in general.

Multiple winning entries were the basis of my website setup. Though the platform for making the website itself was different, the directions of how to add certain features were in a packet to follow. I initially started my website with the guidance of the packet, beginning with a navigation bar. From the few steps given to follow-through with the navigation bar setup, I grasped an idea of how the website worked. The website was tricky. I'd want some text contents to be centered or aligned with a picture, but without changing how the website would look on different devices, doing so wasn't something I figured how to do. In compensation for that, I'd have to constantly change how I wanted my layout to be.

As the title of my topic suggests, the Save Our Children Campaign, was a barrier breaking barrier. Although the Save Our Children Campaign, itself, was a barrier breaking barrier, both sides were of mutual barrier to one another. The pro-gay rights supporters were a barrier to the Save Our Children Campaign and the Save Our Children Campaign a barrier to the pro-gay rights supporters. The short-term impact, in which my thesis mentions, is the impact that the Save Our Children Campaign achieved, while the long-term impact, which was also included in my thesis statement, is what the Save Our Children Campaign failed to enforce due to pro-gay rights supporters. In conclusion, the pro-gay rights supporters triumphed in the long run with obstacles in their way.