

THE MONUMENT QUILT

force upsetting rape culture

Join us in DC May 31-June 2

The Monument Quilt, a project of Baltimore based FORCE: Upsetting Rape Culture, is an ongoing collection of stories by survivors of sexual and intimate partner violence and our allies, written, painted, and stitched onto red fabric. Our stories literally blanket highly public, outdoor places to create and demand space to heal, and resist a singular narrative about sexual violence. **The culminating display is coming up May 31 - June 2, 2019, on the National Mall in Washington, DC.**

The Monument Quilt was launched in 2013, and over the past five years FORCE has collected nearly 3,000 squares of the quilt with messages of affirmation and stories from survivors. We've partnered with over 100 organizations across the country to organize 47 Quilt displays in 35 different cities.

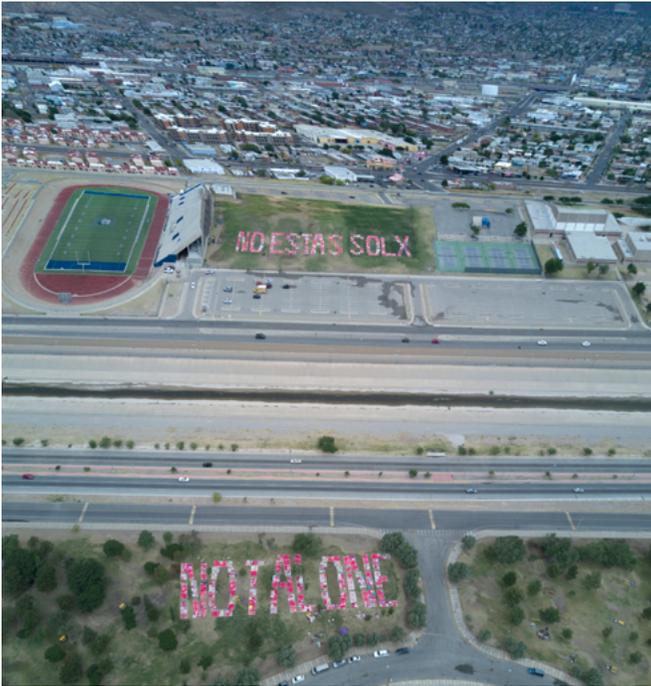
The project has received national coverage through [MSNBC](#) and [Refinery 29](#), including of our art actions at [Standing Rock](#) and in solidarity with [Marissa Alexander](#). We continue to receive local coverage during Monument Quilt workshops and events organized by our partners, such as this article in the [Alton Telegraph](#). Video from our 2014 tour [can be seen here](#), and footage from our hometown, Baltimore, [is here](#).



Two of 3,000 Monument Quilt squares



Our vision for the Monument Quilt on the National Mall, May 31-June 2, 2019



Be part of history.

From the start, our vision has always been to encase the National Mall - the iconic landscape for many meaningful and inspiring actions to give voice to those previously silenced - for a culminating event, displaying the beauty and strength of the voices of survivors and their allies.

After 5 years of organizing and holding healing spaces for survivors, that vision will be realized May 31-June 2.

There are many ways to be involved in this historic event. Here are just a few:

- + Sponsor and/or organize a bus from your city or town to come to DC to view this historic event
- + Volunteer at the culminating display. [Sign up here.](#)
- + Sign on as a corporate or organizational sponsor. Details about [sponsor levels of giving are here.](#)
- + Make a donation to make this event a reality. [Give here.](#)



In addition to the above, we are seeking social media sponsors with followings of 10,000 or more, to help us spread our message and get the word out about the upcoming display, and share the stories of the survivors who lead this work.

We hope you will join us in some way and help us make history by showing the magnitude of support that survivors have across the country.

Learn more: themonumentquilt.org/volunteer

Email us: UpsettingRapeCulture@gmail.com



Top to bottom: The Monument Quilt across the US/Mexico Border, May 2017; with elders in Baltimore after a series of workshops, September 2017; and covering the Ohio University football field, October 2017.

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