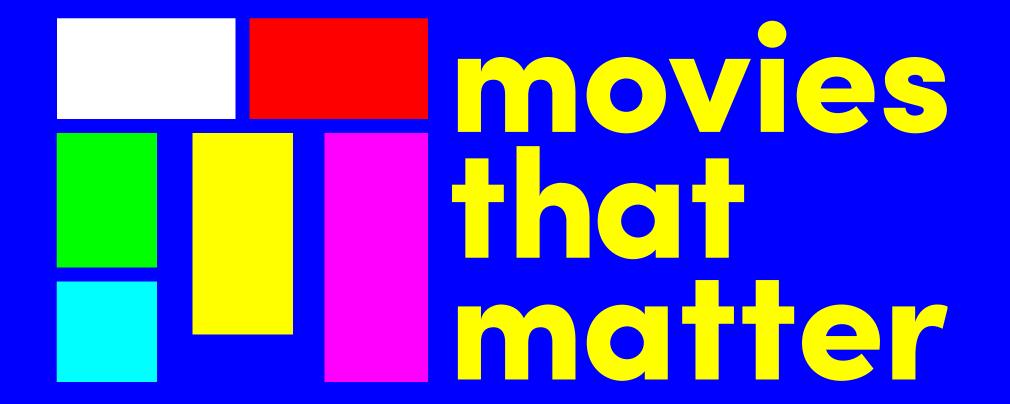
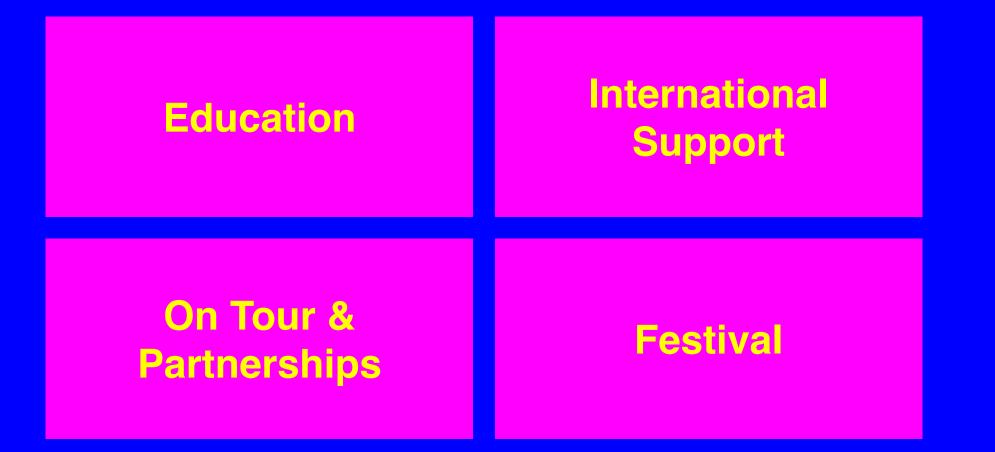
## Movies that Matter: Film and Impact

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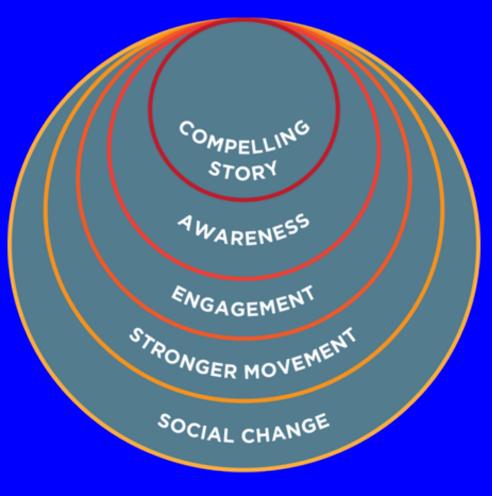
## Creating Social Impact



What is a movie that matters? Can a movie change the world? What can be the IMPACT of a movie?

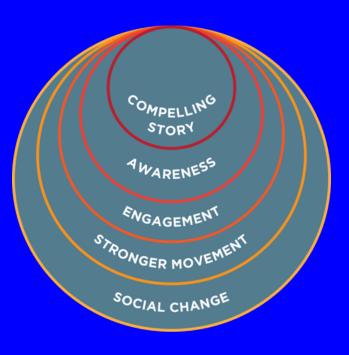


Fledgling Fund Dimension of Impact





### Impact Dynamics



- Changing Minds building awareness of an issue or shifting how it is perceived
- Changing Behaviours Actively mobilising people to do different not just think different
- Building Communities Bringing people together around a cause
- Changing Structures Influencing law or policy



Research and Mapping the Issue

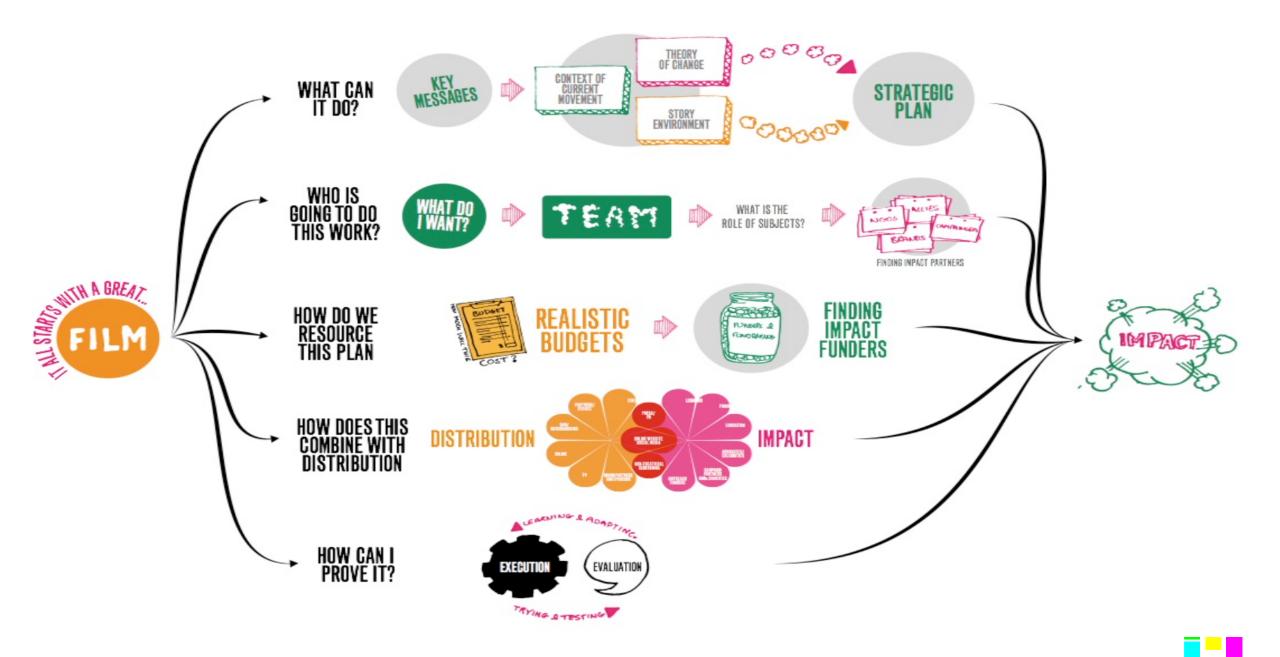
- Research political, social, and cultural context, power dynamics - books, articles, other films, key events, facts, statistics
- Braintrusts meeting of relevant stakeholders
- Tapping into already existing movements



### Target Audience

- Communities represented in the film
- Experts and Academics
- Brands and Companies
- Campaigners and Advocates
- Funders and Philanthropists
- Politicians and Policy Makers
- Press and Media
- Messaging and Framing Experts
- NGOs Small (Highly Aligned)
- NGOs Large (With Resources)
- Public Figures





### CHANGING STRUCTURES: THE INVISIBLE WAR

### IMPACT VISION: END RAPE IN THE US MILITARY PRIMARY IMPACT DYNAMIC: CHANGING STRUCTURES

The one politically achievable reform that could dramatically reduce sexual assault was to remove adjudication of these crimes from the chain of command. No bottom-up change would ever be sustainable without this shift.

### IMPACT PLAN (hypothetical)

FILM'S MESSAGES	IMPACT GOAL	KEY AGENTS	IMPACT DYNAMIC	IMPACT TASKS
Rape cases are judged from within a chain of command that is part of the cultural problem	Bring in specific legislation to remove adjudication from the chain of command	High level political elites – Pentagon, Joint Chiefs of Staff, President	Changing structures	Get the President, Secretary of Defense and Joint Chiefs of Staff to see the film - ideally attended by filmmakers Build relationships with key leaders (especially Republicans in House of Representatives) to champion cause Use content of film to remove any possible loopholes for avoiding new legislation
Rape is ignored/tacitly accepted in the military	Create a conversation in the military, breaking the silence	Senior military figures at all levels	Changing structures	Ensure film is framed as pro-military Establish film as training tool within the military
There is no public pressure on the issue	Dramatically raise public awareness about the epidemic of Military Sexual Assault (MSA)	Journalists, other media outlets	Changing structures	Achieve mass coverage of issue (not necessarily of film) in all key media channels Develop and maintain personal relationships with key journalists Motivate other journalists to investigate
Survivors have nowhere to turn and lives are often ruined	Build a national community of active survivors	Survivors	Changing structures	Provide impetus for creation of community Facilitate funding for national community



**Director: Sam Soko** 

**Impact Production: Miriam Ayoo** 





### IMPACT AT A GLACE A theatrical viewership of over Over 40 community Included in 5000 screening in 6 counties 58 in Kenya reaching an making it the largest Kenyan audience of theatrical debut of 2020, and festivals 4,000 globally the most watched Kenyan documentary in theaters ever. Won in 8 awards, including Best Youtube broadcast of over Broadcasted on national Documentary channel, KTN to a 113,000 Editing viewership of over at Sundance and views within 1 week and 1.5m Best 5000+ comments Documentary at Encounters National TV Broadcasts in Through the Built an active online 49 community of audience survey, 23,000 61.5% across of viewers surveyed Sub-Saharan Africa said they felt more strongly that they should support activists in their community after watching Softie, 60.6% said they felt more strongly they should think unique visits to about the candidates the film 's website:

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Impact Report Softie

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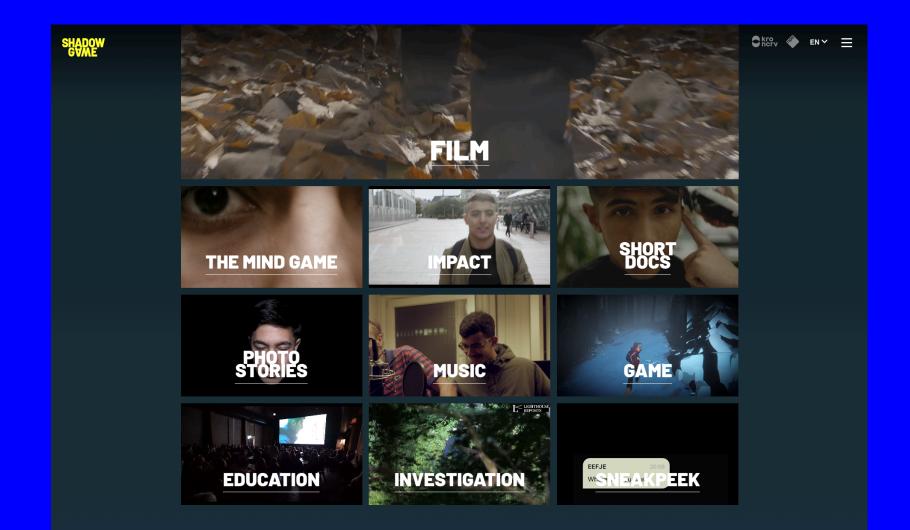


## **Shadow Game**

Directors: Els van Driel, Eefje Blankevoort Impact Production: Els van Driel, Laura Verduijn,

Eefje Blankevoort







# **A Story of Bones**

Directors: Joseph Curran, Dominic Aubrey de Vere

**Impact Production: Annina Van Neel** 





Impact Report A Story of Bones by the Tiekie Box Project





### Creating Impact through Film

- Films as tools or weapons to change & influence opinions
- Impact: grass roots from game changers to politics
- Influencing from local to international politics
- Embracing film to break down barriers



### Partners:

- NGOs
- Funds
- Distributors
- Impact producers
- Broadcasters
- Philantropists
- Foundations



### **Impact Statement**

The joint effort of film, NGOs, funds and impact-production can create a huge power from grassroot to the highest political bodies.

Film can be your 'tool' to reach your goal.

Film and (your) impact will always reach audiences and maybe change a few things in this world for the better.

### Take on Film & Impact at MtMF

A stated mission to channel the power of documentary film as a tool for concrete social and policy change.

Over the course of three days, documentary creatives will unite with NGOs, governmental organisations and philanthropists, and other interested parties, to determine the impact strategies that will help effect meaningful change both in societal and policy terms.

Film has this power to bring us to places where we would never go and discover things we would neither think of nor even know about. And we bring that point of view and that power of storytelling to an already very active ecosystem of different synergies that are working towards the protection and the advancement of human rights.

### **Find out more**

Stay for a deep dive into this years selection of film projects working on impact 17:00 - 17:30

### Thank you for your attention!

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