

## Personal Safety Assessment

### Family/Social/Community

**Examples:**

- In a custody battle, it could compromise your custody if your ex finds out
- Could be ostracized if your community finds out
- A partner who tolerates your work might react negatively to your advocacy

**Questions:**

- In what ways could my advocacy be traced back to my family or community?
- What family or community connections could be compromised by my advocacy?

**Areas to consider for my safety are:**

**I can protect myself by:**

## Employment/Education

### Examples:

- You have a mainstream job you could lose if your coworkers find out
- You apply for grad school but don't want your sex work history to compromise the application

### Questions:

- How would work colleagues react?
- How could public knowledge compromise an application for higher education?

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## Housing/Benefits

### Examples:

- An advocate reveals they are making over the SSDI income threshold in an interview and their disability benefits are compromised
- A landlord finds out their tenant is an Only Fans creator and threatens to evict them

### Questions:

- How could housing be compromised?
- How could public knowledge of sex work history impact your ability to access benefits for disability, social security, or social services?

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## Privacy

### Examples:

- A stripper does advocacy under their stage name and starts getting unwanted attention at their club
- An advocate accidentally reveals too much information on a panel which a stalker uses to harass them

### Questions:

- In what ways do our behaviors online expose personal information about us?
- What personal information do we want to protect and not disclose?
- What information about sex trade involvement should we keep private?

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## Travel/Immigration

### Examples:

- A known sex worker has their phone confiscated at an international border and is denied entry
- A journalist describes an advocate as undocumented in an article, but that information was supposed to be “off the record”

### Questions:

- What information could compromise our ability to live in the country of our choice?
- What risks do we face when crossing borders?

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## Legal

### Examples:

- An advocate talks openly about doing extras at their strip club which leads to a police raid
- By speaking too freely to the media, an advocate incriminates themselves

### Questions:

- How will we speak about our experience with legal safety on our mind?
- Do we have any current or prospective legal situations we need to carefully navigate?

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### I can protect myself by:

## Sex Work End Clients

### Examples:

- A client becomes paranoid that their provider is not being discreet in their advocacy and becomes threatening
- A sex worker becomes politically engaged and loses a bunch of clients who are turned off by politics

### Questions:

- How can advocacy impact our current sex work?
- How will our clients and colleagues react if they find out about our advocacy?

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## Mental/Physical Wellbeing

### Examples:

- In an interview, an advocate states they are a current sex worker and later regrets it because they become paranoid about being busted.
- Continuously fighting for human rights in a whoraphobic world can lead to depression.

### Questions:

- What effects could speaking publicly have on our mental health?
- What physical safety concerns should we consider if we choose to advocate?

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### I can protect myself by:



## Other Areas in Your Life You Need to Consider

Areas to consider for my safety are:

I can protect myself by: