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Abstract

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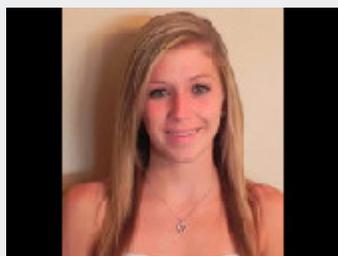
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[VERB] : to move suddenly or powerfully forward or upward

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March 1, 2013

Fearless Friday celebrates individuals, groups, or events that promote change or challenge injustice.



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And a shout out to Congress for renewing the Violence Against Women Act yesterday!

[Check it out!](#)



Participants in the Vagina Monologues support the Violence Against Women Act

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