KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF OUR AMBOS!

In 2014-15 violent and aggressive behaviour towards South Australian ambulance officers and paramedics (Ambos) had increased by 75% in the 3 previous years. Despite Ambo's sole focus being patient care and welfare, they increasingly faced violent and aggressive behaviour including verbal abuse, being spat on, intimidation through to acts of physical violence sometimes with a weapon.

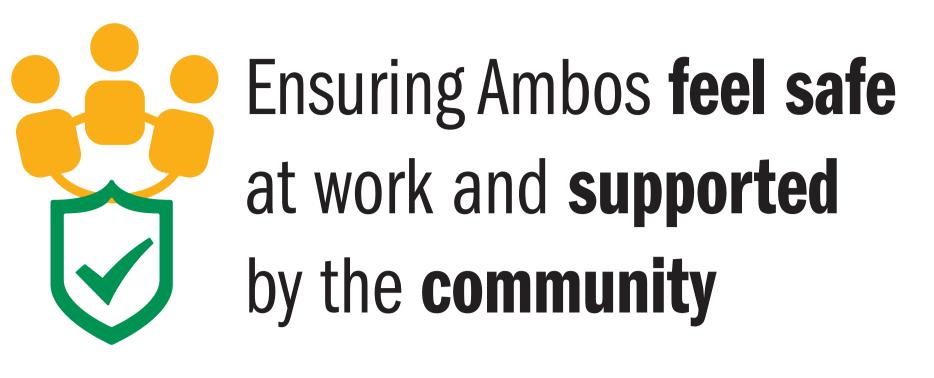
Our creative strategy was simply to share the reality our Ambos face.







Reducing the **incidents** of violence and aggression against Ambos



TARGET AUDIENCE

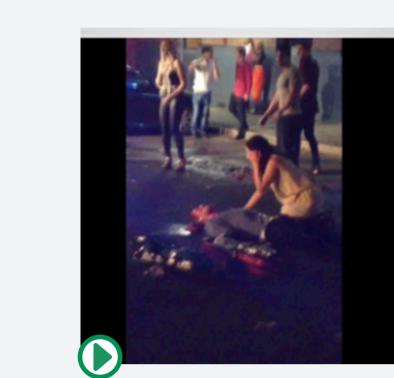
Men, aged 20 to 29 years · Licenced venue goers · Metro and regional settings

Our objective was to raise awareness of the problem, particularly among those who are most likely to be the perpetrators. We also wanted to create advocates for the better treatment of our Ambos.

CAMPAIGN ASSETS



Campaign website



Video for digital



Radio and venue ads

A short video was shot on an iPhone 4, without a script, in a single take, no edits and no treatments

WHY SOCIAL MEDIA LED?

Reach – market research showed males aged 20-29 are heavy users of social media



- **Interactive** opportunities to: answer questions, dispel myths and provide the potential to share
- **Cost effective**

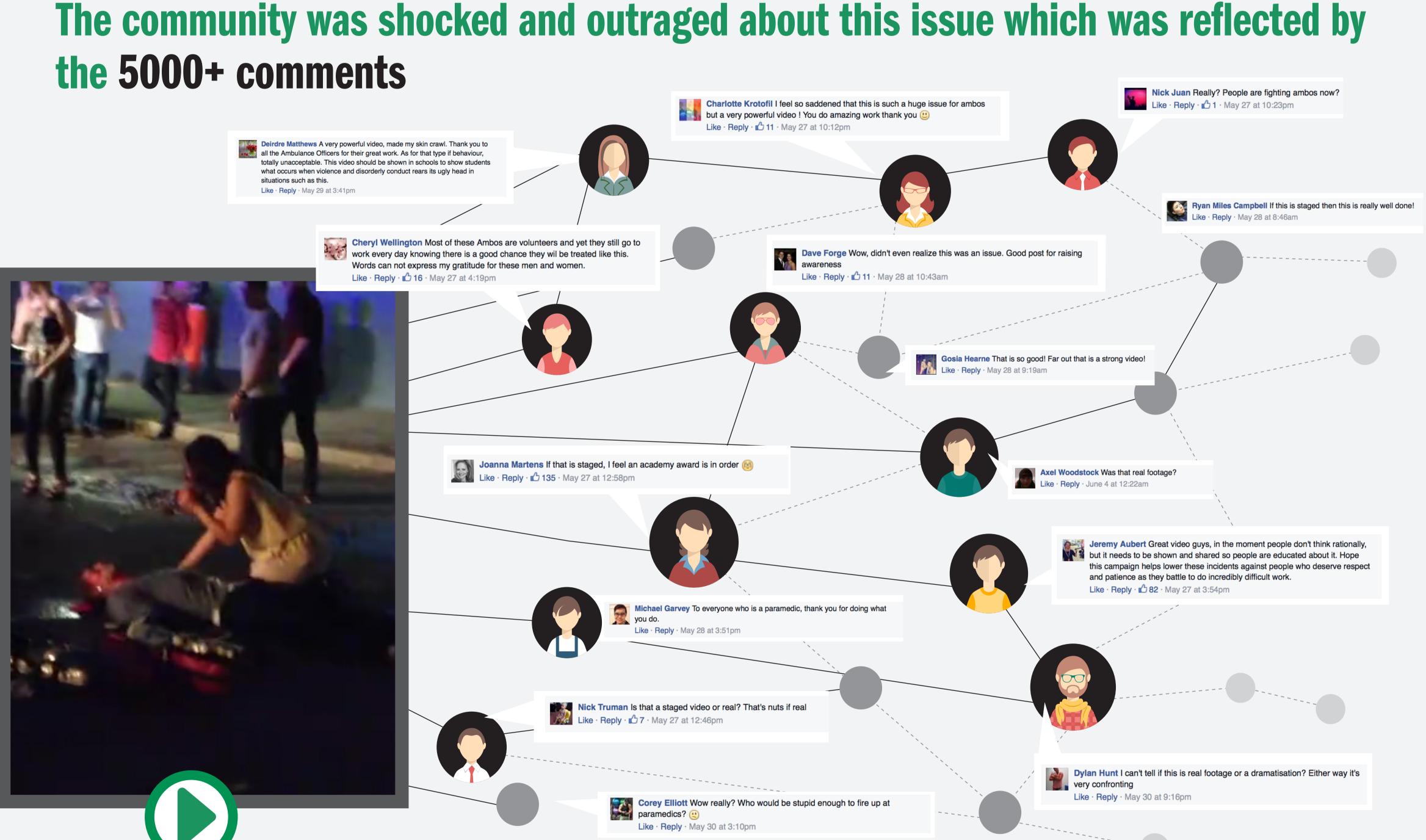


VIRAL within the **FIRST 24 HOURS**

The video was posted on the SA Health Facebook page www.facebook.com/sahealth

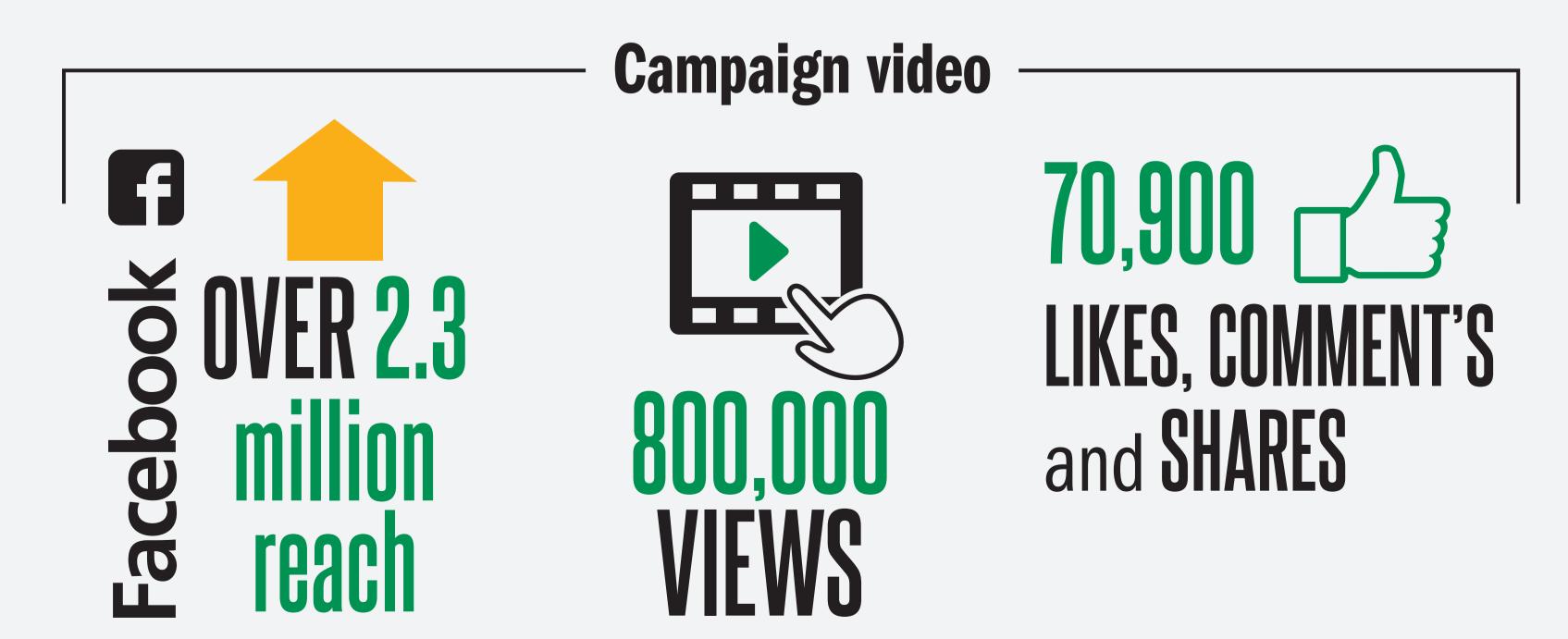
Within the first 24 hours without paid media and just under 20,000 followers the campaign achieved over:

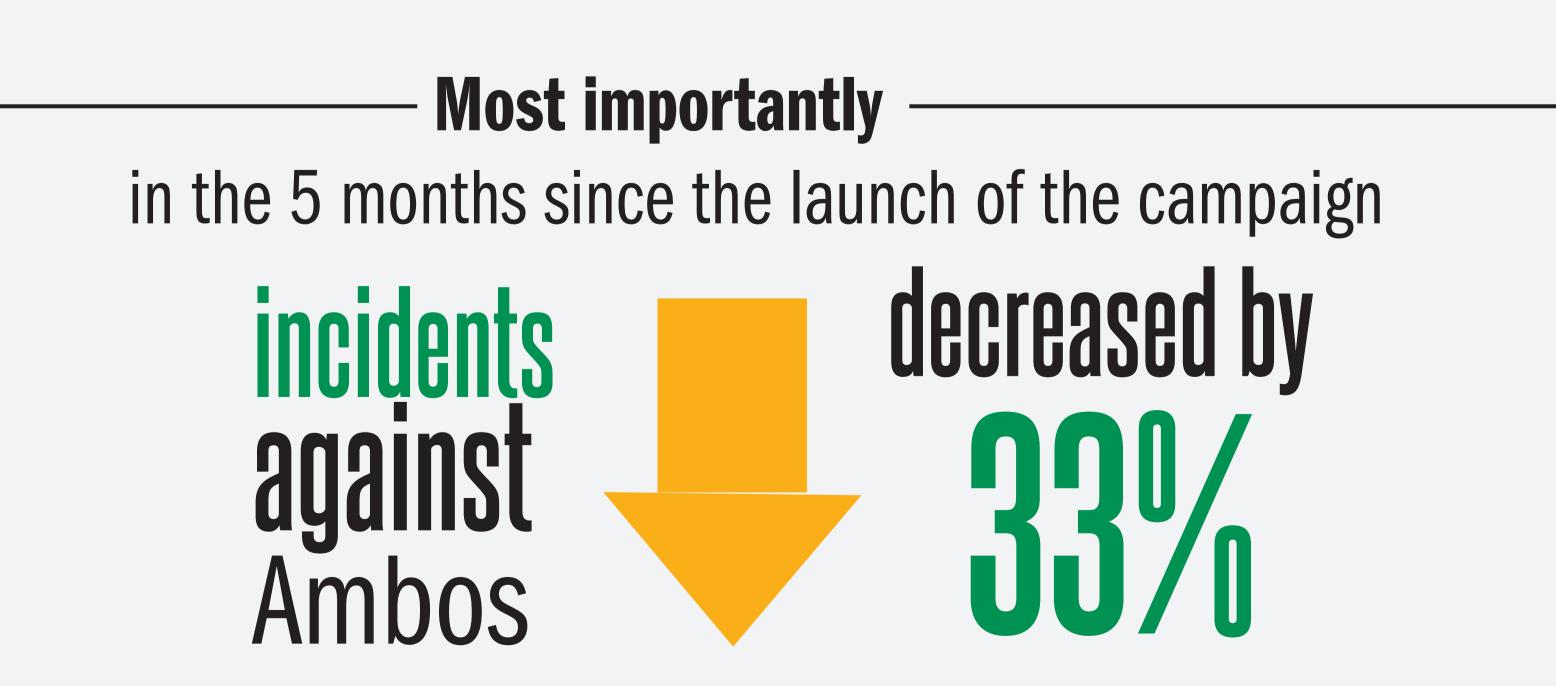
- 1 million reach
- 300,000 views
- 23,000 likes
- 8,000 shares





OUTCOMES SO FAR... have been phenomenal, including:





A full evaluation will occur at the finalisation of the campaign in April 2016.

In the end we didn't just make people aware of what our Ambos go through, we made them care.

For more information visit www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/LetUsCare



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