

THE TRUTH ABOUT HUMAN TRAFFICKING

WHAT IS IT?

Human trafficking has occurred if a person was induced to perform labor or a commercial sex act through force, fraud, or coercion. Minors age 19 and under engaging in commercial sex are considered to be victims of human trafficking, regardless of the use of force, fraud, or coercion.



\$150
BILLION
INDUSTRY



40% OF TRAFFICKING
OCCURS IN
SOUTHEAST



14-17
AVERAGE AGE
OF ENTRY



83% OF
VICTIMS ARE
U.S. CITIZENS

DID YOU KNOW?

- The United States was ranked one of the world's worst places for human trafficking in 2018
- 80% of victims are females, and 50% are minors
- From 2011 - 2019, federal human trafficking prosecutions increased by 79% in the U.S.
- Traffickers can make \$150-\$200K annually per girl, the average trafficker handles 4-6 girls
- Quotas are estimated to be between \$200 - \$1000; all money is kept by the trafficker
- Victims are punished terribly, starved, or beaten, if they do not meet their quota
- Drugs are often withheld from victims struggling with addiction as a form of coercion
- Long-term sexual exploitation often results in suicide
- An estimated 1.5 million children run away from home each year; it is common for these children to be recruited into sex trafficking

The WellHouse rescues and provides restoration opportunities for female victims of human trafficking who have been sexually exploited.

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The WellHouse Restoration Process



RESCUE

- Rescue survivors through our 24-hour crisis call line
- Partner with FBI, Homeland Security, and local law enforcement to respond to crisis calls
- Accept referrals from street outreach partners, hospitals, shelters, and more



STABILIZATION CENTER

- Provide emergency shelter at our Stabilization Center
- Administer complete medical care and daily trauma therapy
 - Welcome human trafficking victims into a retreat of calm, safety, and rest



THE IMMEDIATE SHELTER

- Shelter survivors by providing food, clothing, and medical care in short-term housing up to four months
- Assist in regaining identification
 - Offer individual and group opportunities for spiritual growth, substance use recovery, and art, work, and equine therapies



NEXT STEPS TO FREEDOM

- Accommodate survivors for up to 12 months in our long-term program
- Equip with job skills and employability
 - Assist with GED and college goals
 - Provide transportation and help to obtain vehicles
 - Offer life skills classes including financial literacy, cooking, group exercise, and more
- Continue all therapy programs



NEXT STEPS TO INDEPENDENCE

- Supply graduates with a transitional living program
- Secure graduates in full-time employment
 - Help find safe, sustainable, permanent housing for graduates after exiting
- Offer ongoing counseling and case management