

## Trafficking and Exploitation

### What Causes It?

Each trafficking victim has a unique story. Nevertheless, many stories contain common themes. Three of the most common themes are:

#### Poverty

Sometimes an individual is trafficked because her family is extremely poor. Desperate people make desperate choices. Unfortunately, some of these desperate choices result in children being trafficked.

#### Ignorance

Trafficking recruiters often visit villages and approach unwary parents with glowing stories and promises of a better life. They spin tales of incredible job prospects such as rich patrons in need of young nannies in distant cities. Unfortunately, many parents are uneducated about the possibility of human trafficking. Therefore, they put their mark on the dotted line and accept the "earnest" money offered as down payment. They unknowingly surrender their daughters to the traffickers - sometimes never to see or hear from them again.

#### Greed

Some have concluded that the lives of their children are only worth the commerce to be made from them. Traffickers are blinded by greed, and this is often the driving force behind their decision to perpetrate this evil. In order to stop human trafficking and sexual exploitation, hearts must be changed. Hearts must be changed to rescue and protect children.



Rapha House seeks to: Prevent the trafficking of children before it starts, Rescue children who have already been trafficked, Operate Safe Houses for the healing of these children, and to Train and Reintegrate children who come into our care.

## RAPHAHOUSE [LOVE-RESCUE-HEAL]



Human trafficking - the topic stirs many images and emotions to our minds and hearts. What would it be like to be snatched away and forced into a life of loneliness and abuse? It stirs our soul to want to do something to bring justice to the exploiters and freedom to the helpless victims. Fortunately there are those who are fighting hard against this social sickness. Rapha House is a Christian relief group that provides 'safe houses' where girls who have been rescued from trafficking can be rehabilitated and restored. They have restoration centers in Cambodia, Burma, and Haiti where girls are safely and lovingly given personal care and training. With time they regain their personal dignity and skills to become self-sufficient.

<https://raphahouse.org/>

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## MISSION PROJECT CAMBODIA

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July 17-27, 2019



Rapha House is a public benefit nonprofit committed to ending the trafficking and sexual exploitation of children. Founded in 2003, Rapha House continues to rescue and rehabilitate children, while bringing them to lasting freedom. Love • Rescue • Heal



## Awareness

EDUCATING THE YOUTH OF TOMORROW ABOUT THE DANGERS OF TRAFFICKING TODAY

PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL AND LIFE OPPORTUNITIES FOR AT-RISK CHILDREN



## Kids Club



## Safe Houses

PROVIDING A SAFE PLACE FOR HEALING FROM ABUSE AND EXPLOITATION

EVERY CHILD NEEDS TO BE PREPARED BOTH EMOTIONALLY & VOCATIONALLY FOR LIFE OUTSIDE RESIDENTIAL CARE



## Training & Reintegration

Sherwood Oaks is proud to be partners with Rapha House in their fight against human trafficking. Our partnership extends beyond financial support to build relationships with the staff & girls. *Join us!*

## specifics

**DATES:** July 17-27, 2019

**OBJECTIVES:** This is a 'vision trip' designed to acquaint the team members with the realities of human trafficking, the Rapha House approach to creating new lives for their girls, and learn about the culture in Cambodia.

**TEAM:** A maximum of 16. The only criteria are flexibility, patience, and a servant's heart. No children under 14. Mom's and daughters 15&up are perfect! Men can also go.

**TRAVEL:** Air travel from Indianapolis to Phnom Penh. Then tour bus or van to Siem Reap and Battambang. Return from Phnom Penh.

**HOUSING:** The team will stay in comfortable, air conditioned hotels in each city.

**FOOD:** Varied Asian and American meals will be available in hotels and restaurants (included in the trip costs).

**R&R:** The team will do a number of cultural tours and activities including the famous Angkor Wat, tuk-tuk tour, silk farm, lotus farm, Killing Fields Museum

**COST: \$2600** including airfare, hotels, food, ground transportation, travel insurance & entrance visa.

**DOCUMENTS:** A valid US Passport is required to enter Cambodia and reenter the US. Passport applications are available at any US Post Office.

**FUNDRAISERS:** Fundraising packets are available through SOCC after registration. All funds raised are applied directly to individual project costs. Passport and mailing fees can be reimbursed from funds raised.

## application

**PARTICIPANT:** (or online [REGISTER HERE](#))

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Other family members on team \_\_\_\_\_

Medical or Dietary Concerns \_\_\_\_\_

### EMERGENCY CONTACT:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Registration deadline **May 15, 2019**

**\$100** deposit due with registration

**\$2500** Balance **July 1, 2019**

[Click here](#) if you would like to support any of our individuals or families going to Cambodia.

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