ANTI–HUMAN TRAFFICKING

NATIONAL ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT IDENTIFYING & SERVING
SURVIVORS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING ACROSS THE UNITED STATES 2019

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on earth, as it is in heaven

THE SALVATION ARMY
While women weep, as they do now,
I’ll fight; while children go hungry, as they do now,
I’ll fight; while men go to prison, in and out, in and out, as they do now,
I’ll fight;
while there is a poor lost girl upon the streets,
while there remains one dark soul without the light of God,
I’ll fight, I’ll fight, to the very end!

—William Booth, The Salvation Army Founder

What we do as The Salvation Army to fight Human Trafficking in the United States

The Salvation Army has historically been on the frontlines fighting human trafficking since the time of William and Catherine Booth in London, England—advocating to raise the legal age of consent. We have come a long way, but the battle is far from over.

The Salvation Army is opposed to the corrupt abuse of power against other human beings that is inherent in trafficking for personal economic gain. We therefore have the responsibility, both individually and collectively, to work for the liberation of those who have been enslaved in this manner, and to establish the legal and social mechanisms by which human trafficking can be stopped.

“For I know the plans I have for you,’ declares the LORD, ‘plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.’”

—Jeremiah 29:11

Highlights Across the United States of America

- Migrant outreach and collaboration with legal service providers to identify and serve survivors of labor trafficking across the U.S.
- 46 anti-trafficking programs across the nation
- 157 staff members holding anti-trafficking positions
- Anti-Human trafficking staff in every territory across the nation
- Office for Victims of Crimes (OVC)-funded programs across the nation
- Drop-in centers and residential programs serving survivors
- Expert training and awareness to individuals across the nation in various disciplinary backgrounds such as law enforcement, social services, health care, businesses, faith-based communities, and educational institutions
- Representation from each territory in the North American Anti-Trafficking Committee working to strengthen The Salvation Army’s initiatives
The Fight for Freedom Action Plan

1. Awareness & Training
2. Prevention & Outreach
3. Survivor Services & Recovery
4. Partnerships & Advocacy

46 Current Programs and Initiatives

**CENTRAL TERRITORY**
- Chicago, IL: The Salvation Army, STOP–IT
- Detroit, MI: The Salvation Army, The Anti–Trafficking Initiative
- Indianapolis, IN: The Salvation Army, Women and Children’s Shelter
- Omaha, NE: The Salvation Army, SAFE–T

**EASTERN TERRITORY**
- Cincinnati, OH: Street Outreach, Drop–in Center, Comprehensive Case Management, Trauma Therapy Groups
- Cleveland, OH: Comprehensive Case Management & Safe Housing
- Columbus, OH: Central Ohio Rescue and Restore Coalition, Street Outreach, Drop–in Center, Comprehensive Case Management

**HARRIET FEATHERSTON WESTERN TERRITORY**
- Portland, OR: The Salvation Army Safe Stay Program
- The Salvation Army, Turning Point
- Seattle, WA: Safe Housing, Holistic Case Management

**SOUTHERN TERRITORY**
- Atlanta, GA: The Salvation Army Haven ATL
- Baltimore, MD: The Salvation Army Catherine’s Cottage
- Dallas, TX: The Salvation Army Harbor Drop-in Center
- Fort Worth, TX: The Salvation Army Mabee Center
- Houston, TX: The Salvation Army AHT program
- North Carolina Statewide Program
- The Salvation Army Project FIGHT
  - Asheville, NC
  - Charlotte, NC
  - Greenville, NC
  - Jacksonville, NC
  - Raleigh, NC
- Roanoke, VA: The Salvation Army, Turning Point
- Sarasota, FL: The Salvation Army Safe Stay Program
- Tampa, FL: Emergency Housing Program

**WESTERN TERRITORY**
- Canoga Park, CA: Sweet Prayers Chapter - Illicit Massage Parlor Outreach
- Chula Vista, CA: Safe Housing, Transitional Housing & Holistic Case Management
- San Diego, CA: Safe Housing, Transitional Housing

**PACIFIC STORY**
- Honolulu, HI: Safe Housing, Transitional Housing
- Honolulu, HI: Safe Housing, Holistic Case Management
- Honolulu, HI: The Salvation Army Safe Housing Outreach

**PUERTO RICO**
- San Juan, PR: Comprehensive Case Management & Safe Housing
- San Juan, PR: Safe Housing, Transitional Housing & Holistic Case Management, Shelter Coordination

**OTHER Locations**
- Tacoma, WA: Safe Housing, Transitional Housing & Holistic Case Management
- Seattle, WA: Safe Housing, Holistic Case Management
- Yakima, WA: Sweet Prayers Chapter - Illicit Massage Parlor Outreach
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Training
- 10,035 individuals trained
- 1,095 staff trained

Awareness Events
- 360 community awareness events hosted

Annual Day of Prayer
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Prevention & Outreach Impact
- 1,012 outreach events
- 7,316 participants in outreach events
- 81 Corps Cadets trained
- 20 Girl Guards and Adventure Corps Rangers trained

Survivor Services & Recovery Impact
- 4,012 survivors served
- 24,774 nights of housing provided
- 2,957 case management clients
- 5,904 referrals
- 210 program graduates

Gender of Those Served
- Female 19%
- Male 79%
- Transgender 2%

Age of Survivors Served
- Over 18 85%
- Under 18 15%

Type of Trafficking
- Sex Trafficking 14%
- Labor Trafficking 86%

We cannot do this work alone. We must form strong collaborations in the fight against human trafficking.

The Salvation Army is the lead NGO across the United States on many task forces and coalitions, working for the human rights of men, women, and children regardless of age, nationality, or gender. We serve everyone.

Global Human Trafficking Statistics
- The International Labor Organization (ILO) estimates that there are 40.3 million people enslaved in the world today.
- The International Labor Organization (ILO) estimates that human trafficking generates $150.2 billion in illegal profits each year.
Human trafficking is a global problem.
National Survivor Story Features: Labor Trafficking, Male Survivors, and Sex Trafficking

Sarah*, age 15 from Benin, was identified by law enforcement during a labor trafficking investigation of hair braiding salons. After an initial referral to the STOP-IT Program, staff was able to provide intensive case management and advocacy for Sarah – immediately connecting her with safe emergency housing and providing support to Sarah and her attorney during her complicated immigration case. Sarah and her STOP-IT worker were able to advocate for vital medical appointments, therapy, and education accommodations during a time of instability. Through collaboration with community partners, Sarah is now in safe, secured housing with a family she calls her own, in a community in which diversity is celebrated, and she is able to participate in an African club with peers, all while maintaining a close relationship with her biological mom.

Jose*, a 38-year-old male from Honduras, was identified by legal providers as a candidate for a T-Visa which offers protection to victims of human trafficking, after being recruited to work on a strawberry farm for little to no pay. After the legal providers referred Jose to Project FIGHT for comprehensive case management services, staff was able to assist Jose in applying for family reunification and he was reunited with his wife and son after being separated from them for close to seven years. By working alongside community partners, Project FIGHT has been able to assist Jose and his family in enrolling in school, securing safe housing, receiving medical care and applying for benefits. Jose and his family are doing well and are thankful for the opportunity to be together again.

Ashley* had been in jail for several weeks and after being released, without anywhere to go, was sleeping on a cot at a Santa Ana courtyard. One of our Salvation Army partners contacted us about Ashley and we immediately picked her up from the courtyard. We took her to Thatiana’s Home, our 24-hour staffed, 90-day emergency safe home for identified victims of sex trafficking. When Ashley walked through the front doors of the home, she became emotional and began to cry, telling us she had never seen a shelter so nice. We took Ashley through the house and showed her around. It was heart-warming to watch Ashley’s reaction to being there. (I am happy to share that every young woman who has entered Thatiana’s Home has had a similar reaction, and it is encouraging to witness each and every time.) During Ashley’s stay, she and her case manager were able to get her medical, dental, and vision needs met. Ashley had been wearing the same set of contacts for more than a year without taking them out. She had been unable to get a new pair, couldn’t see without them, and was in fear of losing the only ones she had. With her case manager, Ashley was able to replace her contacts with a new set, as well as get a new pair of glasses. Ashley’s reaction to be able to see clearly again was priceless! Ashley and every survivor’s transformational journey we have witnessed has been an indescribable blessing!

*All names have been changed to protect identity.

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The Salvation Army Puerta Abiertas program in Puerto Rico, assisted a young male, 13 years old, who was a victim of commercial sexual exploitation. He was referred to The Salvation Army program by Homeland Security Investigations. Upon his referral we learned of his history of abuse. He was displaying many symptoms associated with his traumatic experiences upon entering the program. However, through support he was able to engage in a psychotherapeutic process using Cognitive Behavior Therapy for treatment and ongoing support, which has supported his recovery process. We are hopeful that with these ongoing partnerships and programs we can continue to support all survivors of sexual exploitation.

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(Now graduated from Thatiana’s Home, Ashley has moved on to transitional housing. We couldn’t be more proud of her!)
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24-HOUR TOLL-FREE CRISIS LINE
1.888.3737.888

This number is available to help survivors, answer questions, and report tips.

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Join in the Fight—Ways to get involved

- Contact us to host a training or panel discussion
- Collect needed tangible items for survivors in our drop–in centers
- Donate to our work financially as your commitment goes a long way
- Pray with us for those affected by this crime and for justice to prevail
- Advocate for legislative change locally and federally

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