

STOP Human Trafficking

This ministry is to raise awareness, educate, and identify actionable steps in the fight to end trafficking and help restore dignity and hope to its victims. Human Trafficking is a modern-day form of slavery. It is when force, fraud, or coercion is used by an individual to make a profit by forcing someone into involuntary labor or commercial exploitation. It happens locally and globally, including here in the Bay Area.

Here are some ways to be informed and calls to action:



Watch for RED FLAGS (signs that someone might be a victim)

- Fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive, tense or nervous
- Inability to make eye contact, malnourished or does not use name
- Signs of abuse or presence of overly-controlling boyfriend or adult

REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

- **National Trafficking Hotline Number & Resource Center**
 - **Call: 1-888-3737-888 or Text: 233733**
 - Visit: humantraffickinghotline.org
 - **Task Forces - Santa Clara County and San Jose:**
 - 408-918-4960 - [SCC HT Task Force](#)
 - 408-537-1999 - [SJPD HT Task Force](#)
- **Learn More**
 - Free, Online Training offered by Stanford Online: lagunita.stanford.edu
 - [Human Trafficking Awareness for the General Public](#)
 - [ACT!](#) (Awareness Combats Trafficking!) – Teen Educational App/game



CALL TO ACTION & EVENTS - HELP SPREAD THE WORD

- May 30 @7pm – SAM Team Meeting for STOP Human Trafficking Ministry
- June 9 – Weekend Warriors, Volunteer group at The Grateful Garment Project
- July 14 – TGGP Quarterly Inventory: 8:30am-12:30pm or 1:00-5:00pm
- July 29 – Santa Teresa Hospitality Sunday after Mass with Fair Trade coffee
- August 2-5 – Volunteer at Santa Clara County Fair - “Before Our Very Eyes”, HT exhibit
- August 19 – “Walk for Dignity” and support The Grateful Garment Project (TGGP)
- Sept. 22 – NAMI Walks Silicon Valley 2018 (Related event supporting the vulnerable)
- Sept. 22 – Attend 2nd Annual Tea Party benefitting The Grateful Garment Project
- Other: Host a [“Gathering for Garments”](#) Party to support TGGP

For more info, contact Humantrafficking@santateresachurch.com



BUY FAIR TRADE – CONSUME WISELY

- Shop Online for ethical, fair trade:
 - CRS: ethicaltrade.crs.org
 - 3Strands: 3strandsshop.com
 - Thistle Farms: thistlefarms.org
- Measure Your Impact: slaveryfootprint.org
- Shop Wisely: “Fair Trade Logo Hunt Worksheet”
(see link on ST webpage to the attached Flyer_HT_FairTrade)
- Learn more: “Cocoa Crisis - Is Slavery in the Supply Chain?”
(see link on ST webpage to the attached Presentation - Cocoa Crisis)

ADVOCACY and LEGISLATION

In California, minors under 18 years old are considered “victims” and are not arrested, but connected to services available. If you see any suspicious activity with a minor, report it to the U.S. National Trafficking Hotline Number: 888-373-7888 or Text 233733

- [California - Human Trafficking Legislation](#)
- [United States - Current Federal Laws](#)

LEGISLATION

Support Needed - Contact your Representatives

- [AB-2034](#) - Transit Worker Training (Ash Kalra) - see link to fact sheet on ST webpage
Human Trafficking training bill for transit employees. This bill would require a business or other establishment that operates an intercity passenger rail, light rail, or bus station, on or before January 1, 2020, to train its employees who are likely to interact or to come into contact with, a victim of human trafficking in recognizing the signs of human trafficking and how to report it.

Recently Approved Legislation - Ensure Enforcement

- Public posting requirements in workplace with Human Trafficking National Hotline#
 - [SB-1193](#), [SB-225](#), [AB-260](#)
- Prevention Education & Training in Public Schools for grades 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th
 - [AB-1227](#)
 - Protectnow.org - [Trafficking Prevention Education](#) & [sponsors of bill](#)
- SESTA & FOSTA Bill packages
 - [SB-1693](#) SESTA (Stop Enabling Sex Traffickers Act)
 - [HR-1865](#) FOSTA (Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act),
Reduces legal protections for online platforms, e.g. backpage.com

RESOURCES TO LEARN MORE

- [Catholic Network to End Human Trafficking](#) (CNEHT)
- [U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Trafficking](http://sistersagainsttrafficking.org) - sistersagainsttrafficking.org
- [Bay Area Anti-Trafficking Coalition](http://baatc.org) (baatc.org) or [Watch Tedx Talk](#)

HAVE QUESTIONS? Contact us at: Humantrafficking@santateresachurch.com