



# REDEEMED FOR A CAUSE

CONTINUING TO SUPPORT AND ADVOCATE

## HELPING THOSE IN NEED

### INTERN CORNER

#### Testimonials from our Spring Toiletry Drive

“March’s Toiletry drive allowed volunteers to see how needed the items we provide are. It also allowed us to see how appreciated they are by the individuals who come, and give us a chance to interact with them and build new relationships with the community” ~ Sophia V.

I attended the RFAC grab and go toiletry outreach event this past weekend and it was a wonderful turnout! It was really gratifying to see how much the simplest of things which we often take for granted, meant so much to these women. It was beautiful to hear that they felt so cared for! This was my second event with RFAC and I’m looking forward to attending many more in the future. ~ Katie B.

### ANNUAL SPRING TOILETRY

This month we held our annual **Spring Toiletry Drive “grab & go”** addition with a **sandwich lunch distribution**. This event was a massive success, and we were able to give out over **50 lunches**, as well as provide **toiletry kits** to everyone who came by the event! The kits included necessities such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, menstrual supplies, deodorant, shampoo, underwear, and combs/brushes.

Additionally, we were able to **fill many boxes for the continuing toiletry closets we provide for schools in the Philadelphia and Baltimore areas**. The schools we partner with include **Roxborough High School, West Catholic Preparatory High School, Richard Allen Charter School, and Morgan State University**.

We **greatly value these partnerships** with our community members and local educational institutes and are **honored to be able to provide life necessities for anyone in need of them**. Thank you to all of our donors, volunteers, team members, and interns for helping out. **We look forward to giving back to our community more in the future!**



### CONTINUING TO EXPAND

As 2021 continues, we are looking for **Anti Human Trafficking Allies** to join us in the fight to protect the women and girls we serve in the Philadelphia area. **COVID19 has greatly exacerbated the trafficking and sexual exploitation of all vulnerable groups, especially teenage girls.**

NATIONAL HUMAN  
TRAFFICKING  
HOTLINE

1-888-373-7888

# TOILETRY DRIVE

Redeemed for a Cause is hosting an ongoing **critical** toiletry drive to address needs created by the pandemic. **CoVid-19** has **worsened sex trafficking in Philadelphia**, in particular **child sex trafficking**, and our **women and girls** are in need of:

- underwear
- tank tops
- socks
- disposable washcloths
- deodorant (travel size)
- hand sanitizer (travel size)
- make-up pouches
- ziploc bags
- tampons
- pads
- lotion (travel size)
- combs
- brushes
- toothbrush/toothpaste (travel size)
- shampoo (travel size)
- conditioner (travel size)
- razor
- bars of soap
- make-up

**Drop off toiletries** at our drop-in center, **730 - 732 W Moyamensing Avenue**, between **11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.** on **Monday, Friday, or Saturday**. Monetary donations are welcome in place of toiletries.

- \$25** provides a woman or girl trapped in sexual exploitation with hygiene essentials and a snack for a month
- \$50** covers the weekly cost of gas for our van to pick up donations and transport women to medical appointments and our drop-in center
- \$75** provides crisis support to meet urgent needs of women during our BI-WEEKLY outreach efforts
- \$100** helps to cover the monthly rent for our drop-in center and provides day-to-day operation support



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Many have inquired with Redeemed for a Cause Outreach asking how they could **support our efforts to provide basic necessities for trafficked women and girls**. Well, here's a way!

**We are seeking help to maintain the upkeep of the toiletries we give out during our street outreach as well providing them to students in elementary and high schools. Schools we work with include West Catholic Preparatory High School, Richard Allen Preparatory High School, and Roxborough High School.**

**Partner with us today to provide toiletries to women and girls who are in need.** Drop off days for donations are Monday, Friday and Saturday at our **South Philadelphia drop-in center location, address: 730/732 W. Moyamensing Ave, Philadelphia PA 19148**, from 11am-2pm.

## IN PENNSYLVANIA

There were **275 human trafficking** cases reported in 2019.

- »» **213** involved **sex trafficking**
- »» **26** involved **labor trafficking**
- »» **61** involved **minors**
- »» **131** involved **adults**

**NEVER DOUBT THAT A SMALL GROUP OF THOUGHTFUL, COMMITTED CITIZENS CAN CHANGE THE WORLD. INDEED, IT IS THE ONLY THING THAT EVER HAS.**

Margaret Mead

## GET

At **Redeemed for a Cause**, well-being is at the forefront of what we're **working together** towards. Our programs and activities are designed to be a **catalyst** that helps community members reach their goals and **fulfill their potential**. Learn more about the impact we have and join us in bringing about **positive change**.  
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## IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

Random Acts of Kindness event,  
In-House Teen Event, Toiletry  
Closet Expansion

