



# REDEEMED FOR A CAUSE

GIVING BACK IN THE SPRINGTIME

## CONTINUING OUTREACH

### INTERN CORNER

Farewell to our interns...

On behalf of our founder, Sakinah Love and the Redeemed For A Cause Outreach team, we would like to extend our gratitude to the interns for their dedication, willingness, and time they spent working with the organization and wish them success in their future endeavors.

Testimonials from our Outreach Drive...

"Working at the drive was incredible. Everyone that came up to the tables were so kind and appreciative. We had so many donations we could not even count! It shows how important it is for us to give back to our community" ~ Mallory M.

"April's event had an amazing turn out! With all the donations, we were able to have over 100 pairs of bras and underwear to be distributed to the women in the community. We received support from other organizations who donated items and together we were able to serve a lot of women, men, and even children with more items than ever. There was a great sense of community, support, and appreciation throughout the event, and I am looking forward to seeing what May's outreach event has to offer!" ~ Katie B.

"April's event was special and unique from the past three events I have seen. There were multiple organizations partnering with us to service the community. It was a caring and loving atmosphere, and I think all the individuals appreciated the options they had to choose from with each organization. I'm looking forward to more events like this in the future to see what each organization has to offer." ~ Sophia V.

"I really enjoyed interacting with the women while helping out in the community event. I think the moment that really impacted me was a conversation I had with a woman who showed me that many of the woman hold fast to their faith despite their past experiences. It was powerful to that the women never lost hope and it keeps them going. It was an awesome experience to see so many people care about others. I am so thankful for the opportunity given to me to be a part of this community event." ~Ciara H.

### ANNUAL SPRING TOILETRY DRIVE

This past month's outreach drive was a wonderful success! Redeemed for a Cause Outreach held this drive to collect **undergarments** such as bras and underwear, as well as kits containing **menstrual products: pads and tampons**, and **basic hygiene products: toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, bodywash, etc.** to support victims of human trafficking during our outreach, our teen girls who participate in our school toiletry closets, and women in general who are in need. We also were able to provide **free confidential STD/HIV testing resources**, and **food and drinks** for those who participated.

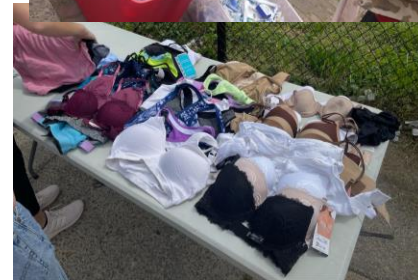
We were able to give out many necessities for everyone that came out to the event. There was such an overflow of donated items that we were able to stock up our center and toiletry closets as well! We would like to thank **The City Of Philadelphia Department of Public Health & PHMC: New Pathways Project** for providing the STD/HIV testing and resources, **the wonderful ladies of Alpha Court of Lambda Beta Alpha Sorority, Second Pilgrim Baptist Church PHL, Miller Memorial Baptist Church, and Bethel AME Church of Ardmore** for working with us to give out as many donations as possible. Also, our partnering honorees who also received donations: **No More Secrets Menstrual Hub** and their founder **Lynette Medley**, Thank you to everyone who volunteered and attended, we cannot wait for next month's outreach!

### LOOKING FOR MORE ALLIES

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. **COVID-19 has greatly exacerbated the trafficking and sexual exploitation of all vulnerable groups, especially teenage girls.**

If you are interested in joining the cause, **please fill out the form linked below and one of our team members will be in contact with you moving forward. Here's to more serving!**

<http://bit.ly/BecomeanAlly>



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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## 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

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

**We are seeking help to maintain the upkeep of the toiletries we give out during our street outreach as well as 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 Philly location, address: 730/732 West Moyamensing Ave, Philadelphia PA 19148,** from 11-2pm.

## GET INVOLVED

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.** [www.redeemedforacause.org](http://www.redeemedforacause.org)

## IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

Flip Flop Drive, Community Festival, Toiletry Closet Expansion

