



## REDEEMED FOR A CAUSE OUTREACH

### Intern Corner...

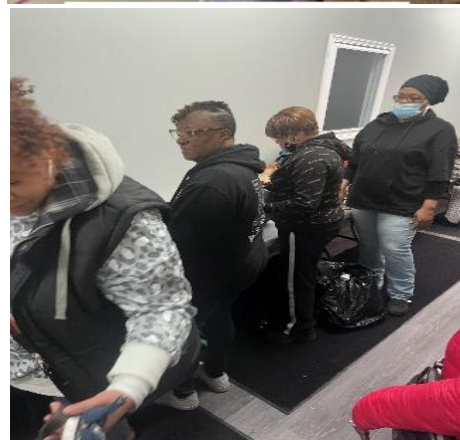
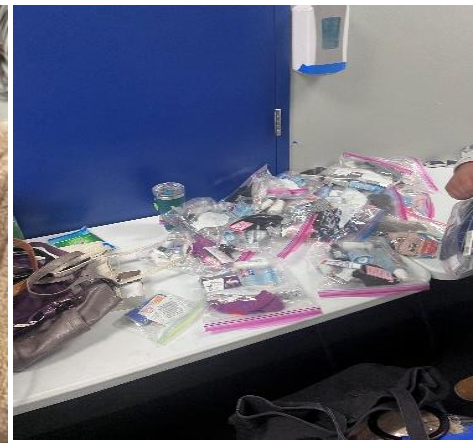
My name is Christa Hiddemen and I am a junior at Rowan University. I was previously a Communications major but realized during my 20-year break due to kids and life, that I wanted to be a part of the human service field. I love helping people and there are so many people that need assistance, that do not receive. Being an intern with Redeemed For A Cause, I would be able to gain more knowledge about what these women and men go through. Ultimately, I would love to work with teenagers, and being that Professor Love talked about a teen drop-in center, I can use this opportunity to help them. After graduation, I hope to gain employment in a high school setting and be able to counsel and advise.

My name is Camaryn Meakem and I am currently a senior undergraduate student at Rowan University studying Human Services with a direct services concentration. Thus far in my studies, I spent 2021-2022 interning with the Case Manager of the Culinary Arts Job Training Program and the Empowerment Coach at Cathedral Kitchen in Camden, NJ. I had Sakinah Love as a professor for Intro to Human Services, and that is when I first heard about her organization, Redeemed For A Cause. Her mission and purpose stood out to me, as these services are crucial to so many women. I began interning at Redeemed For A Cause in early January of this year. I am looking forward to furthering the mission of the organization, as well as equipping myself with the knowledge and skills to be as impactful as possible in my future endeavors. I will take on a leadership role which will put me in a position I have not yet experienced and will teach me a lot. Upon graduation in May 2023, I plan to pursue my Master's in Social Work at Rutgers University in New Brunswick. With his degree, my end goal is to be a School Social Worker, where I can advocate for and assist the students, parents, and faculty in my district. Overall, I am looking forward to the time I am able to contribute to Redeemed For A Cause, and the people I will impact through my contribution.

## HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH: HANDBAGS OF HOPE EVENT

In honor of Human Trafficking Awareness Month, Redeemed For A Cause Outreach partnered with Heal and Rebuild Unbreakable Spirit and several organizations joined efforts with other organizations that support domestic violence and sexual assault victims as well as at-risk youth. Collectively our goal was to reach as many girls and women as possible; showing them love and support. Together we collected gently used and brand-new handbags to fill with toiletries and distributed them to victims and survivors.

During this time, we were able to package and distribute over 300 pocketbooks to victims and/or survivors from various organizations. Thank you to our partnering organizations Heal and Rebuild Unbreakable Spirit, Buddy Speaks, L.A.S.A, I Am Someone He Empowered, and so many others who made the event a huge success. Here's to more serving!



NATIONAL HUMAN  
TRAFFICKING  
HOTLINE

1-888-373-7888

Many have inquired with Redeemed for a Cause Outreach asking how they could **support our ongoing efforts to provide 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, in the emergency community hubs, as well providing them to students in elementary and high schools. Schools we work with include West Catholic Preparatory High School, Richard Allen Preparatory Charter School, Roxborough High School, Edward Heston Acceleration, Camelot Academy Philadelphia, and Vaux Big Picture High School.**

**Partner with us today to provide toiletries to women and girls who are in need.** Drop off days for donations are Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday at our **South Philly location, address: 730-732 W. Moyamensing Ave, Philadelphia PA 19148**, from 12pm-2pm.

## IN PENNSYLVANIA

There were **221 human trafficking** cases reported in 2020.

- »» 183 involved **sex trafficking**
- »» 23 involved **labor trafficking**
- »» 57 involved **minors**
- »» 138 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

## Redeemed for a Cause Outreach 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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## GET

At **Redeemed for a Cause**, well-being is at the forefront of what we are **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

All Worthy of Love Event



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