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REDEEMED FOR A CAUSE OUTREACH

RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

Intern Corner...

This past month, I worked on putting together postpartum care packages for moms. I curated a list of items that I thought would be helpful for the new moms, such as face masks, candles, crackers, etc., and purchased them. I put the baskets together and they were provided to the new moms. They were very appreciative, as having a new child changes a persons' life and schedule. I was happy to be able to help in this way. I am sad to be leaving, as my time as an intern has provided me with experience through the events that Redeemed For A Cause has hosted and trainings provided by the organization. Through events like Handbags for Hope and All Worthy of Love, my perspective of life and this field continued to change for the better. Redeemed For A Cause has been a wonderful journey. ~ Camaryn

For April and random acts of kindness, I spoke with Ellie from the Attic Youth Center. My task was to create care packages for these kids and cater to their need. These kids are from the LGBTQIA+ community and they need someone to show them that they are worthy. These kits have basic items in them such as deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, razor, hair ties, hand sanitizer, loofah, washcloth, soap, etc. Also, I picked up some fullsize products; matching shampoos, conditioners, body wash, and wipes. I put together 2 baskets of feminine products and a basket of condoms I consulted with my oldest, her friends, and my best friend's daughter as they are all in the LGBTQIA+ community and these are what they all recommended. It feels good to help others, especially when they don't expect it. ~ Christa

For the month of April, Redeemed For A Cause Outreach participated in Random Acts of Kindness where we met at SafeHaven Treehouse Learning Academy to read The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister and worked with the children to complete a craft. The children were very attentive and excited to learn the story of the rainbow fish. For their craft, the children created their own rainbow fish and named the parts of the fish. The fish were very colorful and glittery.



Also, we partnered with the Attic Youth Center to create care packages for the LGBTQIA+ community. The Attic Youth Center's mission is to create opportunities for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Questioning (LGBTQ) youth to develop into healthy, independent, civic-minded adults within a safe and supportive community and to promote the acceptance of LGBTQ youth in society.



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. 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:

- underweartank tops
- socksdisposable washcloths
- deodorant (travel size)
- hand sanitizer (travel size)
- make-up pouches
- ziploc bags
- tampons
- pads

- lotion (travel size)
- combs
- brushes
- toothbrush/toothpaste (travel size)
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- conditioner (travel size)
- razor
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- bars of soap
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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

IN PENNSLYVANIA

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

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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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