



REDEEMED FOR A CAUSE OUTREACH

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: TOILETRY CLOSETS GALORE

Intern Corner...

Our organization would like to thank our interns for their tireless efforts in supporting the organization. Congratulations to our former intern Camaryn on graduating this month from Rowan University. Much love and success to you Camaryn as you embark upon your new journey as a human service professional. Best of luck and success for you and all of your future endeavors.

This month our organization was very intentional about organizing and then providing toiletry items to Philadelphia Family and WRAP Court participants. After years of trying to establish this toiletry closet, our founder was able to connect with the honorable Judge Viktoria Kristiansson who oversees the cases in Family and WRAP court cases. WRAP court stands for “Working to Restore Adolescents’ Power” and it is aimed at helping a specific cohort of children and young people who are at risk of or are a victim of commercial sexual exploitation and human trafficking. These young people come through the court system due to delinquency and (or) dependency matters. WRAP court was created in response to Pennsylvania’s lack of safe harbor legislation. It was also created because there were children in our system who needed specialized attention from the courts due to the trauma they have undergone.

Our goal is to provide free toiletry items to participants in the interim they don’t have things that they need. With every closet we establish and maintain we aim to provide those who are benefiting from it specific its specific items that can assist them in areas they need support. We will be refilling this specific closet monthly and coordinating with the courts liaison to take any special request for any toiletries participants may have. Additionally, we will be providing monthly menstrual kits to teen girls and women in need upon request.

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1-888-373-7888

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH: SELF-LOVE & RESPECT

All month long our organization has been using its social media platform to talk about mental health in hopes of bringing awareness to such a taboo topic. This month we aimed to talk about mental health and how it plagues the population we serve; but more so many of our communities without ever truly been addressed. Our founder was invited to speak at the “Sis You Got This” Women’s Empowerment Group which was hosted by Diane’s Way and their founder Crystal Thomas. The focus for this month’s group was self-love, unresolved trauma and healing, During the event Sakinah helped the women move through a powerful exercise of “unpacking their bags”, which consisted of them identifying the things that were causing them not to move freely in self-love, mental wellness and peace. Each woman was able to unpack their bags of unresolved trauma, anxiety, depression, and find where their healing lays.



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.

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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 **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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