

## **REDEEMED FOR A CAUSE OUTREACH**

## **WOAR SYMPOSIUM**

On Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, our founder, was invited to speak on a very insightful panelist regarding the intersections of human trafficking and sexual assault. Women Organized Against Rape (WOAR) hosted the **Be the Change: Preventing Sexual Violence in Philadelphia Symposium** to commemorate 50 years of supporting survivors and to imagine the end of sexual violence in Philadelphia. **This symposium was free of charge to the public and a place where many human service professionals such as therapists, educators, social workers, lawyers, etc. were able to gather and conspire ways to support the populations they serve.** The entire symposium had meaningful conversation allowing its attendees to gain valuable insights and connect with like-minded individuals who share a passion for making a difference.

During the symposium, our founder, along with other well-versed individuals discussed the disparities they see daily supporting both teenage and adult victims of human trafficking. The topic discussed was "Demystifying Human Trafficking in the City of Philadelphia" and each panelist including our founder expressed the seriousness of this horrific crime. Together they strategized appropriate ways to handle this dilemma, including more prevention efforts and support for those working to support victims. Additionally, our founder was able to connect with more community partners who would like to collaborate to support the individuals they are serving with hopes of making a difference. Our organization is excited about continually doing the work and partnering with others to make it all happen. 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.

# Redeemed for a Cause Outreach

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.

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

## IN PENNSLYVANIA

There were 192 human trafficking cases reported in 2021.

- >>> 153 involved sex trafficking
- >>> 18 involved labor trafficking
- >>>> 42 involved minors
- >>> 129 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

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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