



HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery. We should no more stand for it than we would stand for slavery of past centuries.

Trafficking of human beings is the second largest and fastest growing criminal industry in the world, second only to the trafficking of drugs.

The victims of trafficking are often people who are poor and marginalized – unemployed or underemployed and lacking access to social safety nets.

Often, trafficking victims are misled into their situations with the promise of better opportunities or that they will be held for a limited time while they pay back a debt.

DAY ONE'S ROLE

As the only agency in the state organized specifically to address issues of sexual assault as a community concern, Day One can:

- Help identify victims of trafficking
- Let victims know help exists; that there is a way out. They have rights.
- Provide resources at the scene.
- Provide access to the 24-hour Victims of Crime Helpline
- Target particular work sectors known for trafficking
- Assist police departments by providing support during enforcement activities. Work with INS to help victims stay in the U.S.
- Participate in finding trafficking solutions
- Advocate for state-wide passage of an Anti-Trafficking Criminal Statute

STOPPING TRAFFICKING

Prevention – educate business owners, customers, and potential victims

Assistance and Protection – serve as a resource for victims to help them get out and stay out of trafficking situations – information on rights and services, medical assistance, food and shelter, translation, counseling and legal assistance, skills training, etc.

Prosecution – pursue legal actions against abusers to the fullest extent while demanding stricter laws & penalties

Training of Law Enforcement – participate in police department training sessions to help officers identify trafficking situations and become aware of the resources available for victims