National Human
Trafficking Hotline
1-888-373-7888
or text HELP to 233733

Chains Interrupted (319)536-2027

PROJECTS:

<u>Speaker's Bureau</u>: We provide education to events, small groups, businesses, etc.! Our Special Projects:

- ~ Hotel/Motel Project: Volunteers train their staff to respond to those exploited.
- ~ School Project: Volunteers train students and staff on how to protect themselves and others.
- ~Medical Project: We provide trainings specifically for medical personnel, including developing policies.

<u>Survivor Support Group</u>: A survivor-led group that meets on Tuesday evenings. There is no cost to attend.

<u>"Stop the Demand"</u> We partner with a group study and accountability program for those battling an addiction to porn.

<u>Coalition</u>: These quarterly meetings bring our community together to fight this heinous crime!

<u>International</u>: We are currently working in Guatemala and SE Asia.



WEBSITES:

www.polarisproject.org

www.iowanaht.org

www.sharedhope.org

www.theA21campaign.net

BOOKS:

"The White Umbrella," by Mary Frances Bowely

"Renting Lacy," by Linda Smith

"Girls Like Us," by Rachel Loyd

"The Natashas," and "The Johns," by Victor Malarek

"Your Brain on Porn," by Gary Wilson

MOVIES/VIDEOS:

"Nefarious"

"Caged no More"

"Finding Home"

"Your Photo Fate" on You Tube by Zhao

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Human Trafficking: Not in Our Town!

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"Chains Interrupted will be a powerhouse fighting against the evils of Human Trafficking until there is Not.One.Slave left in lowa, the nation...and the world."



Recognizing Signs of **Human Trafficking:**

- Is under 18 and providing commercial sex acts
- Is a minor with a noticeably older boyfriend
- Is not free to come and go
- History of running away or homelessness
- Uses language "Daddy," "Mama," "The Life," "Track," "Stable," "The Game," "Stroll," "Tricks"
- Works excessively long and/or unusual hours
- Has unreasonable duties/chores
- Is fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive
- Appears malnourished or lacks health care
- Shows signs of physical abuse and/or sexual abuse
- Barcode or pimp's name tattoos
- Is not allowed to speak for themselves
- Does not know where he/she is
- Is not in control of his/her own money or identification
- High security measures exist in the work and/or living locations (boarded up or bars on windows, barbed wire, security cameras, guards posted, etc.)



- **STATISTICS**
- There are over 40.3 million slaves in the world today.
- The National HT Hotline receives hundreds of calls in Iowa each year
- **Human Trafficking victimizes** women, men, girls and boys.
- Agencies in Cedar Rapids, report serving victims of HT regularly
- 98-99% of victims are never rescued.
- The average life expectancy, once trafficked, is 7 years.
- 1 out of every 3 runaway teenagers in Iowa are lured into prostitution within 36 hours of leaving home.
- 68-74% of victims of HT were in the foster care system.
- The Cedar Rapids area had over 615 referrals for foster care last year, with >415,000 nationwide.

- Educate yourself: recognize a victim Ask "Are you safe?"
- Educate others (Speaker's Bureau)
 - Present in Hotels/Motels
 - Present in area Schools
- Mentor vulnerable youth
 - Shelters/groups
 - o Safe Families/Foster Parenting
- Upload hotel photos with "TraffickCam"
- Find out how many slaves work for you at www.slaveryfootprint.com
- Support the fight financially
- Take unwanted items to Stuff Etc and donate profits to Chains Interrupted
- **Projects with Chains Interrupted:**
 - "Stop the Demand"
 - **Restoration House**
 - International ministries
 - Fundraising, grant writing
- PRAY!!

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