



Human Trafficking (HT) Advocacy

Hotline 888-3737-888 or text HELP or INFO to BeFree (233733) to report tip / learn more

The National Human Trafficking Resource Center is a national, toll-free hotline, available to answer calls and texts in 170+ languages from anywhere in the country, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Advocacy – simply taking action on behalf of yourself or another

- Raise awareness about critical issues that might otherwise be avoided, resist and challenge the status quo and initiate action and innovative policy solutions.
- Help shape public opinion and public policy.
- Lobbying is only one type of advocacy. Advocacy includes education, organizational capacity building, forming networks, building relationships, and communication. Nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations are allowed to conduct lobbying within IRS guidelines.

If you have 5-10 minutes

Help **ECPAT-USA** (End Child Prostitution And Trafficking) – www.ecpatusa.org – get companies to sign onto **the Code** by giving postcards to hotels, airlines, and other travel-related companies. Code signatories commit to train their staff and alert authorities to cases of sex tourism. Email patricia@jlnjspac.org for a sample fact sheet to distribute to travel-related companies.

If you have 1 hour

Work with the **NJ Coalition Against Human Trafficking** on our proclamation campaign. We're asking municipalities and county executives to raise awareness by issuing proclamations designating January 11th as HT Awareness Day. For further information, visit www.njhumantrafficking.org.

If you have 2-5 hours

Polaris Project (www.polarisproject.org) is a leading organization in the global fight against modern-day slavery. They provide survivor services including case management, crisis intervention, counseling, shelter, legal, and medical referrals. Volunteers can organize clothing drives or lead skills-building and recreational events. Visit their website for **training videos** and more information.

If you have 3-5 hours per month

Join **NJ Coalition Against HT** members, including the **Junior Leagues of NJ State Public Affairs Committee** (www.jlnjspac.org) to work on HT Trafficking Awareness Day events, state/federal legislation and **Super Bowl 2014** initiatives. Click on "Take Action" at www.njhumantrafficking.org.

If you want to help organize a youth group / GET STUDENTS INVOLVED

Project Stay Gold (www.projectstaygold.org) is a student movement to raise awareness and abolish modern-day slavery. Please visit the student-created website to view videos, learn more about their work, access Teacher Resources, and learn about other local and national nonprofits.

If you want to PREVENT human trafficking

Survivors and experts agree that mentoring a child is the best tool for preventing domestic trafficking of US citizens and documented residents. Join **Big Brothers Big Sisters** (www.bigsandkids.org).

Junior Leagues of NJ State Public Affairs Committee (SPAC) – www.jlnjspac.org
NJ Coalition Against Human Trafficking – www.njhumantrafficking.org