Working to **intervene**
in one of the world’s largest criminal industries

Speakers: Amy Zeigler and Suzy Borth
Sandra Bearden was a homemaker in the comfortable suburb of Laredo, Texas. She wanted a maid but didn’t want to pay a lot. Drove to Vera Cruz, Mexico where she persuaded Maria’s parents to let her take Maria back to Texas. Promised to enroll her in school and take care of her in exchange for Maria helping around the house. Once Maria was in Texas Sandra began to abuse the power she held over the girl. Maria was one of the few ‘lucky’ slaves because she was eventually rescued.
What is Human Trafficking?

What does “human trafficking” mean to you?
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• The U.N definition

  • “Trafficking in Persons as the recruitment, transportation, transfer, harboring or receipt of persons, by means of the threat or use of force or other forms of coercion, of abduction, of fraud, of deception, of the abuse of power or of a position of vulnerability or of the giving or receiving of payments or benefits to achieve the consent of a person having control over another person, for the purpose of exploitation. Exploitation shall include, at a minimum, the exploitation of the prostitution of others or other forms of sexual exploitation, forced labour or services, slavery or practices similar to slavery, servitude or the removal of organs. The consent of a victim of trafficking to the intended exploitation set forth (above) shall be irrelevant where any of the means set forth (above) have been used...
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The action of - recruitment, transportation, transfer, harboring, or receipt of persons

By means of - the threat or use of force, coercion, abduction, fraud, deception, abuse of power or vulnerability, or giving payments or benefits to a person in control of the victim

For the Purposes of - exploitation, which includes exploiting the prostitution of others, sexual exploitation, forced labor, slavery or similar practices, and the removal of organs

Consent - irrelevant when illicit means are established

- Kevin Bales “What Predicts Human Trafficking?”
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Summary: Human Trafficking involves the movement of individuals under misleading circumstances for the gain or profit of their labor.
**Trafficking**

When an individual is moved without their consent with the purpose of exploiting them economically.

No consent and involves the exploitation of the victim

**Smuggling**

Smuggling occurs when an individual helps another enter or remain in a country he/she is not a legal resident of.

Involves the consent of the smuggled person and does not involve their exploitation

The line between the two blurs because some individuals begin their journey as a smuggled migrant but become victims of trafficking.
27 million individuals are estimated to be victims of trafficking today. This is more than twice the number than the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade. Of those, the ILO estimates 5.5 million children are victims of trafficking. Human Trafficking is estimated to earn $150 billion in yearly profits.
Push and Pull Factors

- Poverty
- Social Inequality
- Minority groups or Statelessness
- Conflict
- Corruption
  - Large scale = government leaders stealing funds
  - Small scale = bribing officials
What can I do?
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1) Get educated
2) Raise awareness
3) Support raise
4) Fundraise
5) Be a conscious consumer
6) Get involved
7) REPORT IT!
• *The Slave Next Door* by Kevin Bales and Ron Soodalter
• *Not for Sale: The return of the global Slave Trade and How We Can Fight It* by David Bratstone
• *Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide* by Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn
• “What Predicts Human Trafficking?” Kevin Bales
• United States State Department Trafficking in Persons Report
• *Nefarious: Merchant of Souls* - Documentary by Exodus Cry
• *Finding Home* - Documentary by Rapha House
• *The Pink Room* - Documentary by Agape International Missions
- Having intentional conversations
- Use what you learn for academic purposes
- Conferences
- Share what you learn
- Have discussions about what trafficking is and how to fight against it
- Utilize learning moments
Host and participate in events
   Trivia nights
   Bingo
   5K
   Qdoba
Donate
Speak with churches and other local organizations
Know where the products you buy are coming from!

Fair Trade
Five Pound Apparel
Organizations fighting modern day slavery

“Slaves in Pakistan may have made the shoes you are wearing and the carpet you stand on. Slaves in the Caribbean may have put sugar in your kitchen and toys in the hands of your children. In India they may have sewn the shirt on your back and polished the ring on your finger.” - Kevin Bales

Be a Conscious Consumer
On Campus
   IJM Campus Chapter
   Habitat for Humanity

In Springfield
   Stand Against Trafficking Coalition
   Free International
   Go: 61
   Project Rescue

In Missouri
   Exodus Cry
   Rapha House

In the US
   IJM
   The Wayne Foundation
National Trafficking Hotline Number:

1-888-373-7888
Questions?