



Hear Their Cry

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Mission Statement:

We exist to restore the lives of women broken by sex trafficking by providing a safe,
Christ-centered home,
Biblical counseling,
and life skills that will provide purpose for a future

Vision Statement:

Sharing the transforming power of Jesus Christ with women broken by sex trafficking

What perpetrators DON'T DO in this process

- Make the victims or families feel uncomfortable
- Make the victims or families feel unsafe
- Make the victims or families feel like they would or could harm them

HOW SEX TRAFFICKING HAPPENS

As we continue to share the stages of **GROOMING**, we are going to share more on how traffickers gain information and continue to build trust, not only about the victim but the victims family members too.

Traffickers are very **patient** people, they will groom their chosen victims and their families for years in order to gain their trust and get information that they can use in the future against the victim and families as they move further into the process. At this stage they don't force anything, they don't touch the victims, instead they are still listening, finding things in common and playing the part of a caring person.

Gaining Information and Trust

This stage entails more than just the phone conversations or online chatting and small gift giving that has been happening. Traffickers will start to gather more in-depth information to give them leverage.

- Taking them out to eat and spending money on them
- Providing alcohol or drugs and keeping it a secret from parents
- Giving them special attention, access to a luxury lifestyle or trips
- Sending scouts to hang out with them
 - ⇒ Scouts are women or girls who are currently caught in trafficking and help the traffickers with access to others
- Online dating
 - ⇒ Perpetrator finds kid/kids that they like, then begins a relationship with mom. Trafficker wins mom over, moves in with her and now has first hand access to kids
- Neighborhood involvement
 - ⇒ Perpetrator becomes involved in the neighborhood
 - ⇒ Becomes friendly with everyone
 - ⇒ Scouts out families with kid/kids
 - Slowly starts of offer to babysit, help out
 - Buys them things
 - Family starts to see them as part of the family!

Mark Your Calendars August 26th for our 2023 Annual Fundraising Banquet

A Life Redeemed

• For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness. Psalm 84:10

Featuring Keeya Vawar - Survivor | Author | Speaker | Advocate

She recently published her first book, <u>One Thousand Elsewhere: A True Survival Story</u> which details her struggles as a teenage runaway being trafficked by a famous record

producer in Atlanta, Georgia. Keeya has been a wife and mother for

20 years and resides in Texas with her family.

6:00 - 8:30 at the Tumbleweed Event Center Dinner served at 6:30

> Please join us to hear Keeya tell her story Registration details coming soon

Prayer Requests

Would you please be in prayer for the following during the month of March.

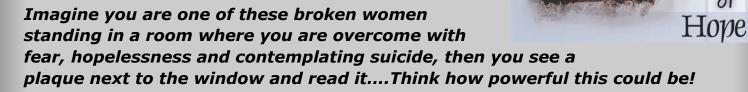
- ⇒ Pray for our fundraising banquet in August, that God would bring many people to support His work
- ⇒ Pray for our speaker Keeya Vawar, for grace and strength as she prepares for the event and that God would use her in a mighty way
- \Rightarrow Pray God would be glorified in every aspect of the ministry
- ⇒ Pray for open and willing hearts to give of their time and resources
- ⇒ Pray for the first Overcomers we will welcome to the House of Hope and Healing
 - ⇒ Pray Psalm 69:14 Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink; Let me be delivered from those who hate me, and out of the deep waters.
- \Rightarrow Pray for our monthly donors
- ⇒ Pray for an Executive Director, Program Director and for the women of God's choosing who will staff the house and help the women who stay there
- \Rightarrow Pray for the expediency in opening our doors to survivors
- \Rightarrow Pray for the board members to lead the ministry in unity
- ⇒ Pray for new board members to feel led to the ministry



Window Sponsorship Opportunity

Thank you to all who have already sponsored a window, we could not do this without you. We are so grateful that you are willing to share encouragement with the women who will be staying at our house of Hope and Healing.

The restoration process is moving along and we are currently working on replacing the windows. It will be so wonderful to have Scripture posted through out the home.



How to Sponsor a Window

- Select a window from the list to the right
- Pray and ask the Lord to show you what scripture verse(s) would be an encouragement
- Each window costs \$500.00. Sponsor a window on your own, or get a group together to sponsor one
- The scripture you select will be engraved on a plaque with the window name and hung in a room near a window
- Contact us at nextsteptruth@gmail.com to let us know if you'd like to sponsor a window
- Visit www.nextstepministrieskansas.org to see updates on window name availability

Windows to choose from:

Window of Belief

Window of Change

Window of Forgiveness

Window of Healing/Sponsored

Window of Joy/Sponsored

Window of Love

Window of Peace/Sponsored

Window of Reconciliation/Sponsored

Window of Refreshment

Window of Renewal

Window of Salvation/Sponsored

Window of Blessing/Sponsored

Window of Encouragement/Sponsored

Window of Gentleness

Window of Hope/Sponsored

Window of Life/Sponsored

Window of Obedience

Window of Prayer

Window of Reflection/Sponsored

Window of Rejoicing

Window of Restoration

Window of Strength/Sponsored

This in not an exhaustive list of window names.

If you are feeling called to another name please contact us and let us know.

WORKDAY >>>

We are changing up our workdays at the house for MARCH. We are in the process of working on windows and wall modifications. We are boxing window and doing some stud replacement. We feel it would be more advantageous to have a larger group of volunteers on a single day for this part of the renovation. You are welcome to come all day or just a few hours!

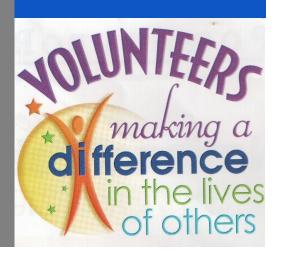
We will providing lunch for those who come that day!

March 11th; 9 am until 2 or 3 pm

Please email nextsteptruth@gmail.com if you are able to help and so we can get a count for lunch

PLEASE NOTE OUR CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

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