

# Issues Facing Our Community: **TRAFFICKING**

## OVERVIEW

Human trafficking, often referred to as modern day slavery, is the sale of adults and children into commercial sexual servitude and forced or bonded labor. Human trafficking is the second largest – and fastest growing – criminal industry in the world

## SERVICES/ORGANIZATIONS

Local services that have programming or the ability to assist with human trafficking needs.

- **Someplace Safe**
- **West Central Regional Navigator**
- **Benson Girls Ranch**
- **LSS (Wilmar)**
- **Mental Health Professionals**
- **Safe Harbor Law**

## NEEDS

Community education on issue  
Marketing on “Red Flags”  
Community resources  
Make existing Community Resources known  
Housing for victims  
Prevention Plan:

- Activities for youth
- Identify those at risk
- Mentorships

## UNITED WAY COMMUNITY IMPACT COALITION

The coalition's strategic intent is to create long lasting impact in our community in the areas of education, income, and health by serving as a resource in identifying and meeting community needs, as well as being a resource to one another. Meetings take place once a month and are open to the community.

Learn more at [www.uwdp.prg](http://www.uwdp.prg)



## BARRIERS TO MEETING NEEDS

Victim issues:

- Trust victim/agency
  - Fear
  - Threats
  - Addictions
  - Navigating services
- Program funding

# POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

- Raise awareness
- Identify “red flags”
- Identify those at risk
- Address supply/demand
- Safe Harbor law
- Community education

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