# 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
- Heartland Girls Ranch
- LSS (Wilmar)
- Mental Health Professionals
- Safe Harbor Law
- Rape and Abuse Crisis Center
- Law enforcement
- Rotary
- Glenwood United
- Media

**NEEDS** 

Education Awareness Knowledge of:

- Risks
- Red flags
- Social media
- Who is vulnerable
- Identification

Community resources Housing

#### 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



## **BARRIERS** TO MEETING NEEDS

#### Victim:

- Trust
- Shame
- Fear
- Threats of harm
- Addictions
- Loyalty
- Criminal record
- Lack of knowledge

Funding

# POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

### For youth:

- Mentorships
- Monitoring
- Supports to vulnerable populations

- Open dialogue
- Advocacy
- Address demand/supply
- Safe Harbor Law
- See something say something.

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