

Thank you to all our partners, safe houses, and new connections for making this year the most impactful to date. Together we are changing the world one step at a time towards the eradication of trafficking.



**Grant Partner** 

Inspiring health in our communities and our environment, with more opportunity for all.







#### **Fox Rock Foundation**

Safe House Project is honored to share that we are the recipient of a \$1 million grant from Karen and Rob Hale through their family foundation, The Fox Rock Foundation. This gift empowers us to expand our work of uniting communities to eradicate trafficking through increased survivor identification, emergency services, and safe housing.

# **Marc and Audrey Leishman**

Mark and Audrey Leishman with The Begin Again Foundation matched \$25K of emergency donations to help ensure that we can continue to support survivors.

Marc and Audrey also donated a car to Safe House Project and our team was so excited to be able to gift it to a survivor just in time for Christmas!





# **JEM Project**

The JEM project blessed Safe House Project with an \$88k donation. This funding allowed us to support more survivors in their escape from their trafficking situation, as well as provide basic needs, transportation and placement into a safe home to begin their healing.

# **Texas**

Human Trafficking Response Assessment

# **Texas Landscape Assessment**

Safe House Project did a landscape assessment for Texas to determine the prevention, protection, and prosecution policies and gave suggestions on how to strengthen those policies.

# July 30

Safe House Project raises awareness of human trafficking with City of Freedom Marches in honor of July 30th, World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. Coast to coast people came together to take a stand against the 4.8 million people who are trafficked around the world annually, and celebrate the work that is being done to increase victim identification and support services to trafficking survivors.





#### **AHLA**

Our CEO, Kristi Wells, was honored to speak at the American Hotel & Lodging Foundation's "No Room For Trafficking" event as they announced that the AHLA Foundation is launching a "No Room for Trafficking" Survivor Fund. This fund will equip community-based organizations with the support they need to engage and support survivors on their path forward.

#### **Care Net**

Our Director of Aftercare Development, Alia Dewees, and Safe House Project Co-Founder & COO, Brittany Dunn, connected with hundreds of pregnancy help centers at the annual Care Net conference to equip them to effectively identify, report, and support trafficking survivors.





#### **CSPEN**

Our CEO, Kristi Wells, spoke at the CSPEN conference in Nashville and met with vocational schools who are adopting the H.O.P.E. Trafficking training to equip their students in the medical field to spot, report, and prevent trafficking.

### **National Association of Realtors**

Our Director of Aftercare Development, Alia Dewees, joined The Malouf Foundation in Chicago at the National Association of Realtors Leadership Summit to discuss the value of our joint training platform OnWatch. Since the launch of OnWatch in 2020, we have had the opportunity to train thousands of individuals and corporations on how to spot, identify, and report suspected trafficking.





## **North Carolina Human Trafficking Commission**

The North Carolina Human Trafficking Commission annual conference was held in September. Our CEO, Kristi Wells presented on Safe House Certification and bringing standards of care to the restorative care landscape in North Carolina and across the nation in order to better serve survivors with quality care.

### **Light Up the Night Gala**

The Light Up The Night Gala was a magical evening. Over 200 members of the community came out to the Marriott Virginia Beach Oceanfront raising \$206,000 to combat domestic sex trafficking. The night was beautiful as we had cocktails on the veranda, had fun bidding on silent and live auction items, and finished the night with dancing.





### **Hope Gala**

The 3rd annual Hope Gala was a magical evening at the Quail Hollow Club raising \$322K to combat domestic sex trafficking. The night was full of competitive generosity as the thoughts of helping survivors feel safe and hopeful for the first time filled the hearts of everyone who attended.

### **Inland Empire Health Plan**

Our Aftercare Development Director, Alia Dewees, sat on a panel for Inland Empire Health Plan, California's largest state Medicaid providers, discussing identification of human trafficking in healthcare setting and proper trauma-informed reproductive health care for people experiencing trafficking.





#### **Just Conference**

Our After Care Development Director, Alia Dewees, attended the JUST Conference in Fort Worth, Texas. She presented to more than 100 organizations and leaders about "Empowering Survivors through Ethical Storytelling."

# **Speedway Children's Charities**

Speedway Children's Charities gave \$100K to be used as a match from the Charlotte Hope Gala. These funds not only allowed us to raise a total of \$322k at the gala, but made a tremendous difference in the lives of survivors as Safe House Project helps them escape their trafficking situation and find hope, freedom, and a future in a safe home.





# SHP Gives Away \$500K in Grants

Safe House Project awarded more than \$500k through direct funding and mentorship to help support the launch of 99 new restorative care beds across America. These beds allow survivors to receive crucial healing services following their escape.

#### **HT-NEXT**

Our COO & Co-Founder, Brittany Dunn, and Director of Aftercare Development, Alia Dewees, attended American Hotel & Lodging Foundation's session at HT-NEXT. The group discussed tech-driven solutions to eradicating human trafficking and offered inspiration to drive change within the hospitality industry for true community impact.





#### **TVPRA Passed the House**

On July 26th, the U.S House of Representatives passed the Frederick Douglass Trafficking Victims Prevention and Protection Reauthorization Act of 2022 (H.R.6552). The bill reauthorizes the historic Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 and provides more than \$1 billion over five years to strengthen both the domestic and international response to human trafficking.

#### **TVPRA Passed the Senate**

On December 21st, TVPA bills S. 3946 & S. 3949 passed the Senate. Now it will go back to the House where it needs its final vote. We are one step closer to getting this to the President's desk.

Reauthorizing the TVPA is critical because it reapproves and enhances vital programs that address Human Trafficking.





#### Certification

10 Programs went through the certification process this year. Through this process, the home is evaluated against evidence-baed and promising practices. These programs work every day to provide a trauma-informed, supportive, and therapeutic residential program for survivors. Congratulations on being Safe House certified!

# **Rock N Roll Charity Partners**

Safe House Project's Team Protectors ran in the United Airlines Rock'N'Roll Half Marathon. The team raised over \$13.5K for our emergency fund, which provides emergency extraction, transportation, and safe house placement to survivors exiting their trafficking situation. Thank you to everyone at Infina, Ltd. for running, Guidehouse, and all the other runners from our military and military spouse community.





# **Virginia Governor's Commission**

Safe House Project is honored to announce that our Co-Founder & COO, Brittany Dunn, and Content Creator and Survivor Leader, Sarah-Beth Evans were sworn in by Virginia Governor Glenn Youngkin to the Virginia Commission on Human Trafficking Prevention and Survivor Support.

#### **United Nations**

Our CEO, Kristi Wells, was honored to be in New York with the United Nations as part of a discussion on the deep need to train healthcare workers to identify and respond to human trafficking with the World Health Organization. Thank you to The Permanent Observer Mission of the Sovereign Order of Malta to the United Nations and Global Strategic Operatives for your leadership on this effort domestically and internationally.





# Law Enforcement Training

Our COO, Brittany Dunn, and Bill Woolf from The Woolf Group conducted a full day law enforcement training. This training taught law enforcement officers how to confront suspected trafficking and support survivors in a trauma-informed way.

### **OnWatch Teacher's Training**

Educators Training Portal launched—which includes a high-impact 30-minute training curated to empower educators as they prepare to go back to school.

In North Carolina alone, over 3,000 teachers have been trained to spot, report, and prevent trafficking within their school systems.





#### **Alia Graduated**

Alia Dewees, Director of Aftercare Development, graduated with her Bachelor of Science in Integrated Ministry Studies from Moody Bible Institute. Alia's determination, passion, and joy comes through in all she does. While earning her degree, Alia has been working full-time, mentoring minor victims, serving on the California CSEC Board, and being mom to her incredible daughter.

#### **HOPE Tree - Gifts for Survivors**

Christmas gifts went out to 40 survivors and their children in Virginia! It's so heartwarming to see survivors' faces fill with joy and thankfulness when they receive these gifts. For some survivors, this is their first safe Christmas away from their trafficking situation and they get to be warm and experience the joys of the season.

