



Trafficking in Women and Children

POSSIBLE ACTIONS

AS WE PREPARE TO TAKE A CORPORATE STAND

Personal

Take part in the SNJM corporate stand process

Seeking further information

- Continue to educate ourselves on this issue (newspapers, TV Programs, videos, web sites...);
- Read articles on trafficking in women and children;
- Pray on this issue in my private and/or communal prayer;
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Communal – including at the level of the Provinces or Sector

- Invite guest expert(s) to group meetings to share information with us. (This may include women who have been trafficked.);
- Consult with other Congregations who have been working on this issue;
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ONCE A CORPORATE STAND HAS BEEN TAKEN:

Personal

- Inform others about the issue of trafficking; e.g. our colleagues, our family and friends, the students we teach or the parishioners in parishes where we work;
- Contact newspapers or magazines to which we subscribe and ask them to publish information on the situation and/or stories of women and children who are trafficked or at risk of being trafficked;
- Contact TV stations and ask them to air videos which present the situation of trafficking;
- Pray for women and children who have been trafficked or are at risk of being trafficked;
- Inform ourselves about the laws in our own country and advocate for laws and programs which promote the recovery, repatriation and reintegration of trafficked women and children, as well as laws which address consumer demand for trafficking;
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At the Congregation, Province and Sector level

- Publish a press release making public our stand;
- Encourage national conferences of religious to develop their own statements and make this a high priority;
- Support other organizations which have this as a priority, e.g. International Coalition Against Trafficking in Women, or ECPAT, as well as those that provide services to women and children who have been trafficked;
- Work, through education, to change attitudes in society that make trafficking an acceptable practice;
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