

# CONCERNED WOMEN *for* AMERICA

## Get Involved! Human Trafficking Action Items

Our ignorance or apathy will allow traffickers to continue to oppress and abuse women and children, possibly right next door. We can no longer be silent as a nation, church, or individual.

The following list of action items is not exhaustive and is meant to be a starting point for engagement on the issue. CWA leaders in the states with a State Director are to proceed under her leadership. CWA leaders in states currently without a State Director will work under [Michelle Minor's](#) leadership. \*\*

1. First and foremost, pray for the victims of sex trafficking. Use CWA's prayer points as a guide.
2. Read CWA articles on the *Sound of Freedom* movie.
  - [How Big Is the Industry Sexually Exploiting Children?](#)
  - [What to do with The Sound of Freedom](#)
3. Educate yourself and others on the facts of human trafficking and ways to engage. Here are several government agencies' resources.
  - U.S. Department of State [20 Ways You Can Help Fight Human Trafficking](#) (a helpful resource for raising awareness and engagement.)
  - [National Human Trafficking Hotline](#)
  - Department of Homeland Security's [Human Trafficking 101 Fact Sheet](#)
  - Department of Homeland Security's [Blue Campaign - Fight Human Trafficking](#)
  - [HHS Human Trafficking Fact Sheet](#)
4. Use the Young Women for America (YWA) [Sexual Exploitation lesson](#) as an educational resource for Chapter meetings.
5. Invite a guest speaker from a human trafficking organization or trafficking shelter to speak to your Chapter about their work.
6. Research your state and local obscenity/pornography laws. Determine where the laws need to be strengthened and work with your local and state governments to pass stronger anti-obscenity/pornography laws. [Pornography](#) is at the root of sex trafficking.
7. Research your state's human trafficking laws and then work with state legislators to strengthen or introduce new laws.
8. Raise awareness of the issue through your social media platforms.
9. Consider addressing your church, small group, mother's group, or neighborhood association about this modern-day slavery.

10. Serve as a watchdog; watch for the issue in your state/local media. Respond immediately with a letter to the editor or op-ed.

**\*\* Important notes to CWA leaders:**

- If you are a leader in a state with a State Director and would like to get involved on a state or local level, please do so with the oversight of your State Director. Do not engage with government officials or organizations, invite speakers, etc., without receiving prior approval from your director.
- If you are a Chapter Leader in a state without a State Director, please communicate with [Michelle Minor](#). Do not engage with local officials or organizations, invite speakers, etc., without receiving prior approval from Michelle.
- As a private citizen, you can be involved in any way you feel led.