

In Australia, human traffickers and slaveholders are keeping people against their will.

Sometimes people are hidden behind closed doors; sometimes they are hidden in plain sight.

People are:

- ***forced*** to work long hours without breaks
- ***not paid***
- ***deceived*** about the type of work
- exposed to ***danger*** daily with no time off
- ***assaulted***, psychologically abused, sexually assaulted, raped and falsely imprisoned
- being ***threatened*** with deportation or arrest
- illegally ***indebted*** to their slaveholder
- ***unable*** to hold their identity or travel documents
- ***afraid*** for their families
- isolated, ***degraded*** and humiliated

In 2008, The Salvation Army created a safe haven for people who escape their traffickers.

Over 91 people* from 20 countries were referred to the Safe House for Trafficked Women since 2008. They experienced trafficking/slavery in:

Construction work

Cleaning, nanny or housekeeping work

Farm work

Factory work

Health care or care giving work

Marriage or as a fiancée

Restaurant/hospitality

Retail

Sexual services

Accommodation & Support

The Safe House provides apartment accommodation for single women aged 18+ in Sydney. Support includes crisis assistance 24 hours day/7days per week, legal, health, training and job assistance.

Staff help residents to understand their rights, assist with daily living and provide support in making decisions about the future.

Residents receive comprehensive and culturally appropriate support as they rebuild

lives free from exploitation and/or seek justice from their abusers.

**Safe House staff provide limited assistance to non-residential men, women and children.*

Sponsor Freedom

As the only refuge of its kind in Australia, The Salvation Army needs your support to ensure a safe haven for people whose most basic rights have been violated, sometimes quite brutally. Each of our 10 rooms supports 1 – 3 women annually at a cost of \$30,000. If you would like to sponsor a room in the Safe House, please contact the Salvation Army's Donor Services on 13 72 58.

If you would like to make a donation to the operation of the Safe House and/or care of the residents, please nominate an amount and provide payment information on the next panel.

Whether your gift is \$50 to provide a week of emergency food support to a resident with no income or \$5,000 towards core costs for operating the Safe House, your contribution supports social justice and human rights in our community.

Donation Payment Information

Please accept my donation in the amount of \$ _____

Please accept my monthly donation in the amount of \$ _____

To be charged on the _____ day of each month

Select your method of payment:

Cheque made payable to The Salvation Army/Safe House for Trafficked Persons

Mastercard Visa Am Ex

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Expiry Date: ____ / ____

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***“FREEDOM AND JUSTICE ARE WORDS
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BUT I DID NOT EXPERIENCE
FREEDOM AND JUSTICE IN MY LIFE.
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FOR THE BETTER.
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WORK VERY HARD.
THERE WERE RISKS; IT WASN'T EASY.
IN THE END, FREEDOM, JUSTICE
AND DIGNITY WON.”***

Safe House resident

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**WHAT DOES
FREEDOM COST IN
AUSTRALIA
TODAY?**

