



NEWS...

SEX TRAFFICKING MAY BE INCREASING DUE TO PANDEMIC

As a result of COVID-19, sex trafficking in the Lehigh Valley has the potential to grow and further spread the disease. With individuals facing economic hardships and the decline in the drug trafficking industry due to international travel restrictions, more individuals may turn to sex trafficking as a means to earn money. And, with COVID-19 being highly contagious, just one sex trafficker can lead to thousands of individuals becoming infected with the virus.



We enter into the darkness of trafficking to bring light to these remarkable survivors. The Truth Home is still open and we are continuing to offer hope and shelter to those in need.

The Truth Home is following the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) guidelines to protect against the spread of COVID-19. In addition to conducting thorough cleaning of the Home, incoming survivors and staff members are screened according to the recommended guidelines and are practicing preventative measures to stop the spread.

Referrals can be made by completing the [TFW Referral Form](#) or by emailing info@truthforwomen.org. The Truth Home's emergency intake number is 484-268-8581.

To recognize the signs of someone being trafficked, visit [the National Human Trafficking Hotline](#) or [The U.S. Department of Homeland Security](#).

The R.K. Laros Foundation Continues to Show Support

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FOUNDATION

The R.K. Laros Foundation donated \$2,000 to Truth for Women this past month to help support our mission. The Foundation provided \$50,000 to 25 nonprofits based in the Bethlehem area in response to the adverse effects of the coronavirus. We greatly appreciate this generous donation during these tough economic times.

My Sister's Closet Update



As mentioned in our March Update, we had to temporarily close My Sister's Closet on March 16 due to the pandemic outbreak. We are currently working on a planned approach to opening the store and accepting donations (within all safety and health guidelines) once the Governor re-opens retail establishments in the area.

For now, please follow our us on our [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) pages to stay up-to-date on details about when we will be re-opening and collecting clothing donations. We are selling our Truth for Women pendant and charms that help support our mission. You may purchase them at our [Online Store](#).



4th Annual Fundraiser - Racing for Truth - Postponed

Just like everything around us these days, our plans for this event keep changing. We will not be able to move the event to September as planned. We still plan to host this event as it is a great way to bring our community together and an important fundraising event to help us keep the Truth Home running and welcoming survivors.



Please stay tuned!

Make a Difference Today!

We understand this is a difficult time for so many. Sadly, with our need to reschedule our Annual Fundraising event (Racing for Truth) until the fall and the temporary closing of My Sister's Closet (our boutique resale store which provides vital funding for our organization) due to the coronavirus, we are in need of financial support to keep our Truth Home open for survivors and to be able to continue to carry out our mission.

Our work, and the hope of the women we serve, is heavily dependent on the financial contributions of the community, foundations and sponsors. Please consider supporting Truth for Women with your tax-deductible gift.

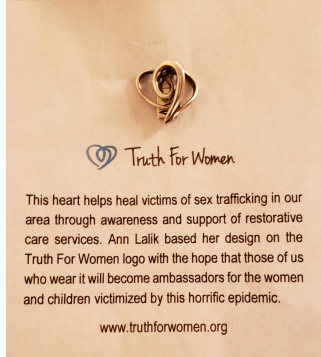


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OTHER INFO...

TFW Heart Pendants and Pins are Available!

We have the TFW hearts available in both pendant and pin forms. These make great gifts. You can purchase your charms or pins on our website at the link below or visit



My Sister's Closet, 3400 Bath Pike, Suite 103, Bethlehem, PA 18017 when it re-opens.

[Online Store](#)

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ABOUT TRUTH FOR WOMEN

Truth for Women is a non-profit organization with the mission of providing restorative care for sexually exploited women and increasing awareness. As part of its mission, Truth for Women provides emergency shelter for sexually exploited women in a safe house, known as the Truth Home, staffed by trauma-trained professionals and provides restorative, therapeutic and medical care for survivors. In addition, Truth for Women has an upscale resale boutique, My Sister's Closet, based in Bethlehem, Pa., that provides financial support for the organization and skills training for women in transition.

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