



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®
OF MILWAUKEE COUNTY

People Are Not For Sale: Human Trafficking in Milwaukee

Saturday, January 31, 2015

Panelists:

- Karine Moreno-Taxman, Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of Wisconsin
- Dawn Jones, Detective, Milwaukee Police Department
- Martha Love, Founding Member, Human Trafficking Task Force of Greater Milwaukee
- Dana World-Patterson, Human Trafficking Task Force of Greater Milwaukee
- Rep. LaTonya Johnson, State Representative, 17th Assembly District

Resources:

Facts and Issues: Human Trafficking in Texas by the LWV Texas
[http://www.lwvtexas.org/Facts%20and%20Issues/Human%20Trafficking/Facts & Issues Human Trafficking 2013.pdf](http://www.lwvtexas.org/Facts%20and%20Issues/Human%20Trafficking/Facts%20and%20Issues%20Human%20Trafficking%202013.pdf)

Hotline: National Human Trafficking Resource Center (NHTRC) 1-888-373-7888 Reporting is anonymous

Human Trafficking Task Force of Greater Milwaukee
<http://city.milwaukee.gov/staysafe/HTTFGM#.VJCco2TF9jx>

Unlucky Thirteen <http://unluckythirteen.org/>

The Human Trafficking Task Force created its Unlucky Thirteen campaign, which includes bus shelter public service announcements, digital billboards, and online and social media efforts to spread awareness of human trafficking in Milwaukee.

Polaris Project: www.polarisproject.org

They have great material one can download, print and hand out.

ECPAT: www.ecpatusa.org End Child Prostitution and Trafficking

Books to read: *Girls Like Us* by Rachel Lloyd; *Half the Sky* by Nicolas Kristof, NYT reporter; *The Slave Across the Street* (soap project) by Theresa Flores

Truckers Against Trafficking www.truckersagainstafficking.org exists to educate, equip, empower and mobilize the trucking industry to fight human trafficking.

Sex and Labor Trafficking

Mary Kae Nelson

(Information taken from the LWV Texas Education Fund article, *Facts and Issues: Human Trafficking in Texas*)

“Trafficking” can describe illegal activity in buying and selling goods, such as drugs or guns or even babies. “Human Trafficking” refers to selling adults and children into servitude. They are exploited for sex or labor as well as for organs and use as soldiers.

Labor trafficking victims can be nannies and domestic workers, sweatshop workers, or construction and agriculture workers. Labor trafficking affects both international and domestic victims. A study of labor trafficking must discuss questions of fair wages and “fair trade,” the role of domestic and international unions and labor brokers, oversight in the chain of manufacture, corporate liability issues, and immigration issues.

Sex trafficking victims are exploited as prostitutes and in sexually oriented businesses. A study of sex trafficking must discuss the underlying issues that make someone vulnerable, who is punished, what the penalties should be, what victims need to become survivors, and who pays for services.

Sex and labor trafficking are not always clearly separate issues. Nevertheless, a study of the laws, remedies, and services relevant to labor trafficking leads in different directions.

To read the entire Facts and Issues article: [http://www.lwvtexas.org/Facts%20and%20Issues/Human%20Trafficking/Facts & Issues Human Trafficking 2013.pdf](http://www.lwvtexas.org/Facts%20and%20Issues/Human%20Trafficking/Facts%20and%20Issues%20Human%20Trafficking%202013.pdf)



REDISTRICTING

Do boundary lines for district representation make no sense to you?

All members of the League of Women Voters of Milwaukee County are invited to join a Work Group on Redistricting.

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Statement of Position on Human Trafficking

As adopted at the LWV-US
2014 National Convention

The League of Women Voters opposes all forms of domestic and international human trafficking of adults and children, including sex trafficking and labor trafficking. We consider human trafficking to be a form of modern day slavery and believe that every measure should be taken and every effort should be made through legislation and changes in public policy to prevent human trafficking. Prosecution and penalization of traffickers and abusers should be established, and existing laws should be strictly enforced. Extensive essential services for victims should be applied where needed. Education and awareness programs on human trafficking should be established in our communities and in our schools.