



**UNITED AGAINST
HUMAN TRAFFICKING**



**UAHT ANNUAL
REPORT 2018**

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With your support, 2018 was a breakout year for UAHT, full of courage and changes! During our first, full year in building our direct services, we connected **81 trafficked persons to care** and served **22,937 individuals**. We also made great strides internally such as moving office locations and hiring seven new team members! With these new changes, we are closer to accomplishing our vision: We aspire for all people to experience freedom and live beyond bondage to others. We envision a world that is intolerant of buyers and sellers of human beings.

These successes are a direct reflection of our generous supporters and the passion of our board. Their expertise and unwavering dedication to this organization not only gave us the courage to embrace transformational change but also gives us a glimpse of the possibilities still to come. As we move forward, every day is an opportunity to create a stronger foundation for the movement. We are passionate about innovation, building partnerships, and truly uniting everyone in the fight to end human trafficking. Yet, with all of the organization's triumphs, we still have much work to do.

This is more than a movement, it is a commitment to rescuing those caught in human trafficking. But how do we effectively rescue a person from exploitation? We believe it starts with collaboration and communication. This year, UAHT will spearhead the creation of a centralized database, the first of its kind to serve as a centralized information system for all service providers. This database will allow providers to track and access resources for survivors, creating a clear path to long-term freedom and healing. Additionally, we will continue to focus on building strong programs and supportive services through a steady and strategic approach.

Entering this new year, we are excited to grow into our full potential. As a team, we strive to offer Houston innovate initiatives to combat human trafficking, while empowering the men, women, and youth in our programs.

Our hope is that you will join us in embracing the fight to end human trafficking on all levels. We not only fight when it comes to sex or labor trafficking, but we are fully committed to combating every element of exploitation with determination and relentless hope. Similarly, as we empower ourselves and our program participants, our desire is to empower you to fight human trafficking. Just as we believe there is no limit to what we can accomplish, we believe in **your** limitless potential to unite **your** community, mobilize **your** resources, and fight alongside us as **we pursue freedom** in our cities, in **our** homes, and in **our** neighborhoods.

2019 is going to be **our** most powerful year yet, and we invite **you** to join us.

With love and gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Timeka Walker". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Timeka Walker, LMSW

Executive Director

MISSION

The mission of United Against Human Trafficking is to end human trafficking through awareness, education and outreach.

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24.9
MILLION
ESTIMATED
VICTIMS OF
**FORCED LABOR/
SEX GLOBALLY ***

► **ILO, 2017. Not Including "forced marriage"*

313,000
ESTIMATED
VICTIMS
IN TEXAS *

► *UTAustin School of Social Work, Institute of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, 2016*

8,759
REPORTED
TRAFFICKING
CASES IN THE US *

► **Polaris Project, 2017*

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES:

Real Talk, a trauma informed program enhances an at-risk individual and survivor's life skills, strengthens coping strategies, and prevents a chance of (re) victimization. Conducted in county jails, schools, juvenile detention centers and human trafficking safe homes, this program builds individual strengths to promote emotional resiliency.

317 INDIVIDUALS ²
ENROLLED IN ¹₈

WHY?

Individuals caught in the criminal justice and child welfare systems are among the most vulnerable to trafficking, and their abuse is often unreported. Those with a history of past trauma and abuse are also at higher risk for human trafficking victimization.

OUTREACH:

Hitting the streets to engage with the homeless population and immigrant community, outreach connects potential and current victims of trafficking with the resources to break free.

4,723 POTENTIAL
AND CURRENT
VICTIMS ENGAGED

WHY?

Labor and sex trafficking victims are often overlooked within homeless and immigrant communities. Their vulnerabilities place them at an extremely high risk to abuse and coercion.



81 VICTIMS OF
TRAFFICKING
WERE IDENTIFIED
AND CONNECTED TO
RESOURCES FOR CARE.

These trafficked persons were identified through both supportive services and outreach programs.

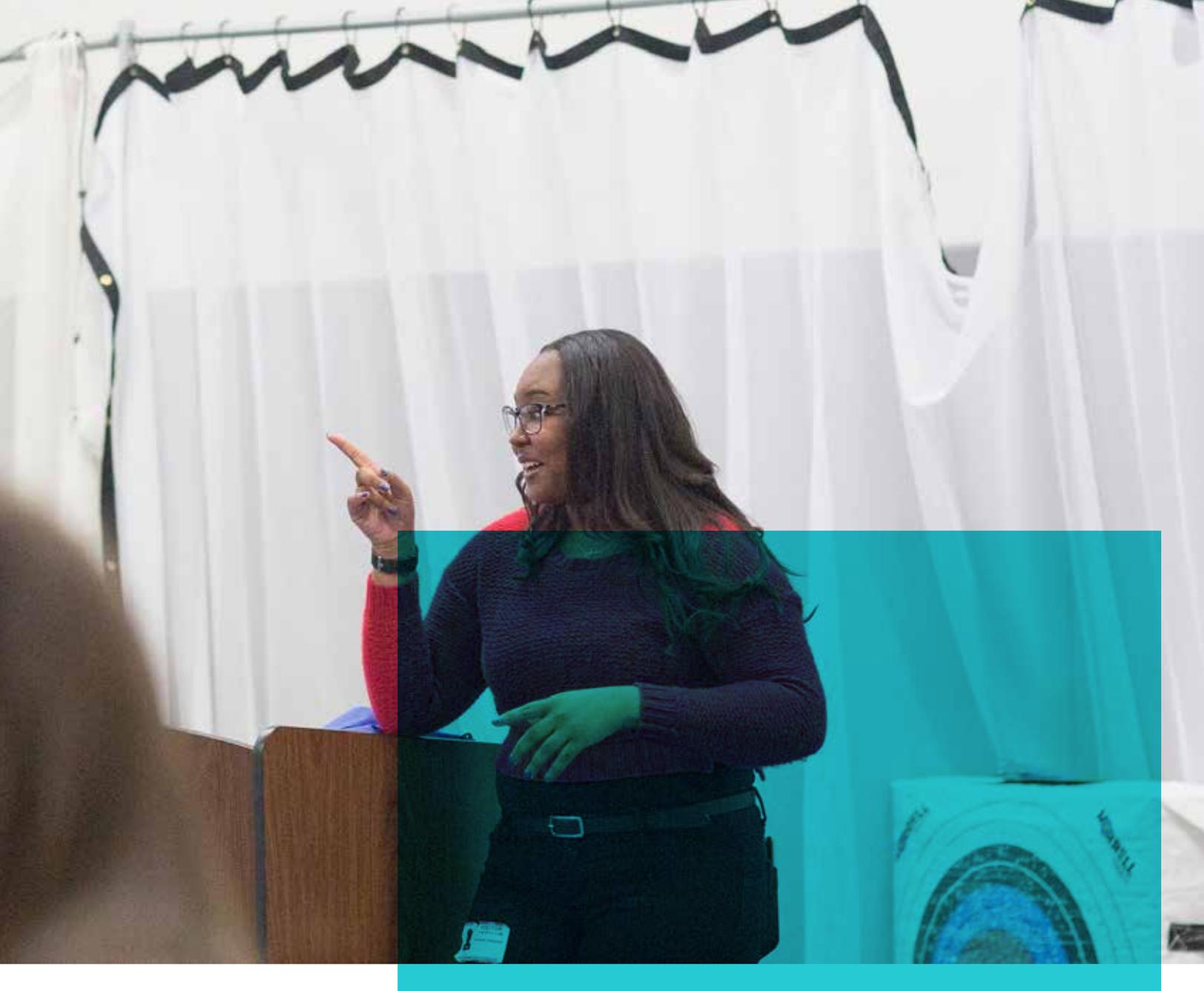


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No one talks to us like we are regular people—they talk to us like they are above us. But in your program, I really felt like you cared.

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I learned about the different forms of sex trafficking. I learned to be aware and educated about my environment. I also learned about different situations that may look like human trafficking and ways to avoid the situation.



YOUTH PREVENTION PROGRAM:

Teens and adolescents develop the skills to safely navigate potential and existing exploitative situations while learning how to access community resources.

WHY?

55% of domestic minor victims of sex trafficking aged 7-11 years old are recruited through social media apps and websites*

***Thorn January 2018 Survivor Insights Survey**

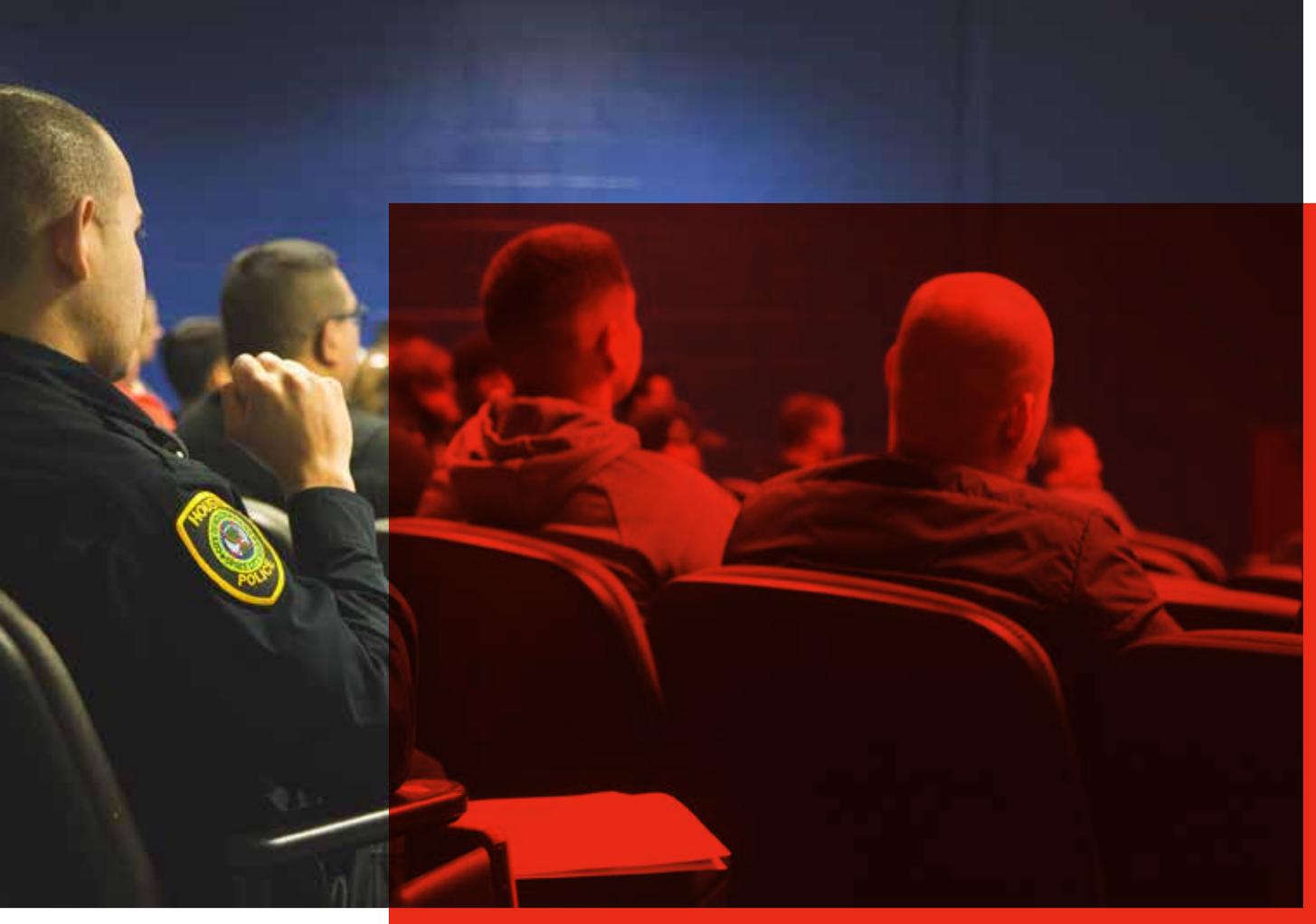
6,113 STUDENTS ²
ENGAGED IN ¹/₈

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I learned a lot that I didn't know. It will help to stop human trafficking instances in the future.

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When assessing potential victims of human trafficking, knowing what questions to ask was very beneficial.



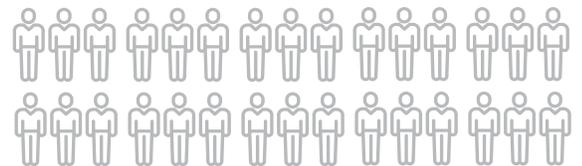
EDUCATION:

Professional trainings and community presentations equip law enforcement, healthcare providers, educator, social service providers and community members with the skills to identify and respond to trafficking situations.

WHY?

We all encounter trafficking situations in our everyday lives.

12,386 TRAINED
TO SPOT AND
RESPOND TO TRAFFICKING
SITUATIONS



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This training identified new resources for my patrol officers to use and provided insight on finding clues to spot human trafficking.



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I realized that there is actually something I can do if I encounter these (trafficking) situations.

HOUSTON RESCUE AND RESTORE COALITION:

UAHT serves as the lead agency of the Houston Rescue and Restore Coalition. Made up of over 50 members from around the Houston area, we are uniting the local anti-trafficking movement. We envision a collective end to human trafficking in Greater Houston.



HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH:

Uniting the community means involving everyone in the fight to end human trafficking. Each January, UAHT, in partnership with the HRRC, hosts Human Trafficking Awareness Month (HTAM). Agencies all over Houston coordinate awareness events, volunteer opportunities, and advocacy days for the purpose of raising awareness about human trafficking across the greater Houston area. By showing a united and collaborative front, we inspire hope in the community that change is possible. Through a multitude of events, we increase engagement and involve everyone in the fight to end human trafficking.

55 PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS IN 2018

WHY?

After facing trauma and exploitation, survivors deserve the best care our city has to offer. By uniting a diverse group of social service agencies, faith communities, business and other organizations, the HRRC is creating a systemic solution of care and community resources for our great city.

GOALS

1. Be a unified voice of advocates for victim centered laws within the Texas Legislature
2. Identify gaps in public perceptions and education of human trafficking, so that the community can effectively identify, respond, and serve trafficked persons.
3. Pioneer standards of care for professionals working with trafficked persons, to ensure that they are given the best resources and dignity they deserve.

COALITION MEMBERS

A 2nd Cup

Agape Children's Emergency Shelter

Ambassadors for Christ Youth Ministries

Amistad Houston

Arrow Child & Family Ministries

Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse (AVDA)

Bay Area Turning Point (BATP)

Baylor College of Medicine, Menniger Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences

BCFS

CASA Child Advocates of Montgomery County

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston

Chapelwood United Methodist Church

Children at Risk

Chinese Community Center

Coalition to Combat Human Trafficking

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship

Council on Recovery

Doctors for Change

Dominican Sisters of Houston

Elevate 61 International

Elijah Rising

Family Time Crisis and Counseling Center

FAUSA

Fe y Justicia Worker Center

FREE International

Freedom Church Alliance

Freedom Restore

God's Lovely Butterflies Maternity Home

Hands of Justice

Houston Area Women's Center

Jesus Said Love

Love146

Mission at Serenity Ranch

National Council of Jewish Women

Office of the Attorney General of Texas

Redeemed Ministries

Refugee Services of Texas

Rescue Houston

Rescue Us, Inc.

Rotary International District 5890

Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word

St. Luke's United Methodist Church

Tahirih Justice Center

Texas Center for the Missing

Texas Children's Hospital

The Alliance

The Good Yoga Project

The Landing

Thrive Trauma-Informed Yoga

U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

U.S. Fund for UNICEF

Unbound Houston

United Against Human Trafficking

United For Human Dignity

University of Houston - Downtown

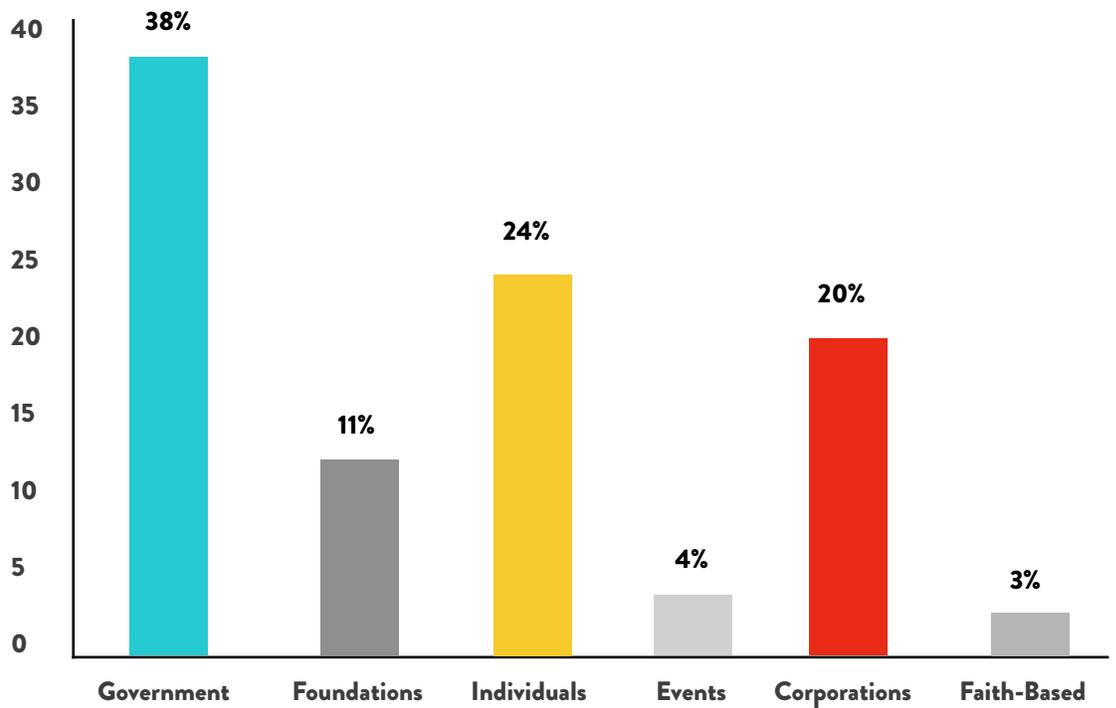
University of Texas at Austin, Institute on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

Upbring

Zonta Club Houston



REVENUE



EXPENSES

11%
Management & General



81%
Programs



8%
Fundraising



**...BECAUSE NO HUMAN LIFE
SHOULD BE FOR SALE.
SEE IT. REPORT IT.**

1-888-3737-888

THANK YOU!

FY2018 SUPPORTERS

YOU GIVE **FREEDOM** TO CHILDREN AND
TEENAGERS AS THEY LEARN HOW TO STAY
SAFE FROM PREDATORS.

YOU GIVE **FREEDOM** TO SURVIVORS AS
THEY RECLAIM THEIR LIVES.

YOU BREAK THE CYCLE OF SLAVERY
PERMEATING OUR CITY AND
BRING **FREEDOM**.



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