



January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month and we need you to help us spread the word. Educating ourselves is the best way to protect our families, our friends and our community.

This month, copy and paste the following status updates each day on your social media pages. Encourage others to share your posts and engage your friends in conversations.

### Daily Posts

*TIP: When possible, set your posts to public so that all can share*

1	<p>Did you know... January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month ? Human trafficking is the trade of humans for the purpose of forced labour, sexual slavery, or commercial sexual exploitation for the trafficker or others.</p> <p>This month let us start combatting this issue by sharing this information with everyone. Educating ourselves is the best way to protect our families, our friends and our community.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
2	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month Anyone can be trafficked regardless of race, class, education, gender, age or citizenship when forcefully coerced or enticed by false promises. It happens everywhere.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
3	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month Pimps aren't the only people responsible for the abuse. The people who buy sex, recruit victims and enable the sex trade also contribute to the continued growth.</p> <p>#mission21 #enddemand #demandchange #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>

4	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>There are an estimated 20.9 million slaves in the world today with an estimated 1.5 million victims in North America, the European Union, and other developed economies combined.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
5	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children conservatively estimates that 100,000 children are exploited each year for prostitution in the United States.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
6	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>The FBI has identified the Twin Cities as one of 13 U.S. cities with a high incidence rate of children being prostituted.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
7	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>The average age of entry into the sex trade is 12-14 years old.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
8	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>Victims of sex trafficking can be found on the internet, in the streets or working in establishments that offer commercial sex acts. But victims can also be found in their own homes as they experience family sexual exploitation.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
9	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>A commercial sex act includes prostitution, pornography and sexual performance done in exchange for any item of value, such as money, drugs, shelter, food or clothes.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
10	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>Traffickers have been known to use false IDs to get 16 or 17 year old children to work in strip clubs.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
11	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>Today is Human Trafficking Awareness Day</p> <p>#mission21 #enddemand #demandchange #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
12	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>Many sex buyers may be unaware, ill-informed or in direct denial of the abusive realities of sex trafficking situations as they exist within the broader sex trade. Without sex buyers, this illegal trade would not exist.</p> <p>#mission21 #enddemand #demandchange #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>

13	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month          Popular media, including certain books, movies, television shows and music can glamorize and romanticize the commercial sex industry without properly acknowledging the presence of sex trafficking. This creates the myth that the sex trade is safe and/or always a choice.          This glamorization then fuels the demand for paying someone for sex.</p> <p>#mission21 #enddemand #demandchange #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
14	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month          After drug trafficking, human trafficking is the 2nd largest criminal industry in the world today, and it is the fastest growing.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
15	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month          71% of young people involved in commercial sexual exploitation are recruited by someone they know.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
16	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month          The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children conservatively estimates that 100,000 children are exploited each year for prostitution in the United States.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
17	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month          There is no official estimate of the total number of human trafficking victims in the U.S. Polaris estimates that the total number of victims nationally reaches into the hundreds of thousands when estimates of both adults and minors and sex trafficking and labor trafficking are aggregated.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
18	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month          Traffickers target runaway and homeless youth and other vulnerable groups.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
19	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month          Mission 21 provides a Survivor Support Group for youth survivors of sex trafficking. Participants are provided opportunities to process past experiences, meet with other survivors, set goals and encourage each other to make healthy choices.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>

20	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>In Minnesota we have a model called No Wrong Door. This model is a comprehensive, multidisciplinary, and multi-state agency approach. It ensures communities across Minnesota have the knowledge, skills and resources to effectively identify sexually exploited and at-risk youth.</p> <p>Youth are provided with victim-centered trauma-informed services and safe housing.</p> <p>#mission21 #progress #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
21	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>Traffickers with multiple victims often use one victim as a “bottom girl” with the responsibility to recruit and enforce his rules when he’s not around to extend his control. “Bottom Girls”, are in most cases if not all, victims themselves.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
22	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>The stereotypical image of a pimp is often misleading. Traffickers are every age, race and gender. They can be a business owner, a “boyfriend” or the victims parents or grandparents.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
23	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>Traffickers are enabled by taxi drivers, airline employees, hotel employees, bartenders, and people just like you who may see something suspicious but chose not to contact law enforcement.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
24	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>Media, books, movies, TV, and music often glamorize and romanticize the commercial sex industry or normalize it by joking about it.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
25	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>There are many methods of “pimping” ranging from romancing victims to brute force.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
26	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>Unfortunately many still believe that women choose the life of prostitution and view prostitution and sex trafficking as two different issues.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
27	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month</p> <p>Traffickers tempt vulnerable people with promises of protection, love, adventure, shelter and opportunities.</p> <p>#mission21 #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>

28	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month  The myths of sex trafficking make it hard to convince some people that these individuals are actually being victimized. Many times victims won't leave their trafficker in fear for their life or the life of the people they love the most.  #mission21 #survivors #protectors #strength #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
29	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month  Minnesota Safe Harbor Defines commercially sexually exploited youth as children in need of services and ensures that exploited youth are not subject to criminal charges or delinquency proceedings.  #mission21 #progress #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
30	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month  Mission 21 mentors are available for youth survivors of sex trafficking who would like support and encouragement on making positive changes in their lives to reach healthy goals.  #mission21 #ReNEW #survivors #mentorship #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>
31	<p>National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month  We are all a part of the solution to end this horrific crime against the most vulnerable among us. By educating ourselves and being aware of resources and services available, we can support survivors and prevent it from happening in the first place.  #mission21 #prevention #intervention #sextrafficking #humantrafficking #themoreyouknow</p>