Services Provided

Stop It has a comprehensive service model, providing crisis intervention and motivational interviewing utilizing a client-centered, trauma-informed approach to provide wrap-around services to program participants.

Trafficking Specialists assist in providing emotional and moral support, advocacy, and case management services. We also provide training on all aspects of human trafficking, including victim identification and community strategies for combating trafficking. Services are provided to anyone who meets the definition of a sex and/or labor trafficking victim and is willing to receive Stop It assistance, living in the following counties:

**Illinois**
- Cook
- Winnebago
- Boone
- McHenry
- Lake
- DeKalb
- Kane
- DuPage
- Kendall
- Will

To provide a tip regarding a possible human trafficking situation, or for resources outside of the Stop It service area, please call the National Human Trafficking Resource Center at 888.373.7888.
Program Objectives

1. Outreach to victims of trafficking, providing support and planning to assist in a safe exit from trafficking
2. Train community service providers about trafficking
3. Raise public awareness on trafficking indicators

The Stop It Program

Builds relationships by reaching out to those suspected of being trafficked.

Serves everyone, no matter his or her age, race, gender or sexual orientation, impacted by sex or labor trafficking.

Helps current victims, as well as survivors, through service referrals and ongoing support.

Operates a drop-in center for female identified youth. Here, they can hang out, rest, eat, feel comfortable, and meet new people. The center can be reached at 877.606.3158.

Shares in the management of the Cook County Human Trafficking Task Force to assist in proactive investigations and support prosecution of trafficking crimes. We also teach the community how to identify and report these crimes.

Conducts training seminars to raise awareness about human trafficking.

Assists community service providers in recognizing possible trafficked persons, thus expanding the scope of service.

Uses volunteers to support numerous strategies for intervention and awareness. For more information, please email stop-it@usc.salvationarmy.org.

What is human trafficking?

The Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 defines ‘severe forms of trafficking in persons’ as:

‘sex trafficking in which a commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such an act has not attained 18 years of age; or

the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.’

Our Values

It is a fundamental human right to be free of exploitation in all its forms.

Every person has inherent dignity and worth.

We are committed to battling against social injustice.

We believe in building relationships to facilitate safety by listening and motivating.

We are motivated by compassion for the people in our community.

We believe that by training the community about trafficking, we will identify and serve more people.

*Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, Public Law 106.386.Sec103

Human trafficking is modern day slavery