

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

Into The Light was founded in 2015 to provide refuge and restoration for minor survivors of sexual exploitation and to bring awareness and education to the issue of human sex trafficking.

When a child is trafficked, there is much to overcome. Often a history of child abuse and neglect prior to their trafficking creates a dark web of hopelessness; but with the help of the caring Arkansas community, the healing light of Christ is shining into their lives.

In the last 12 months, 99 minor victims have begun or continued to heal, becoming survivors who can fully recover from sexual exploitation. 163 victims were met with crisis intervention assisting them with an immediate safety plan, and strategies to make them less vulnerable to dangerous traffickers/buyers, further exploitation, explicit images of them being used online, physical harm, suicide, drugs and alcohol addiction. Because of you, the mighty team of ITL Advocates provide vital, ongoing support to survivors during their healing journey.

Thank you!

Gretchen

ITL Executive Director

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"The Light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it." John 1:5

Community Partners

We are grateful for the partnership of:

Area Juvenile Courts, Juvenile Probation Departments and Detention Centers, Center for Youth and Families, CASA, Child Advocacy Centers, FBI Arkansas Child Sexual Exploitation and Trafficking Task Force, Homeland Security Investigations, Hope Found, Hub of Hope, Informed Choices, Law Enforcement, Morgan Nick, Serenity, NWA Children's Shelter, The Genesis Project, Traffick 911, U.S Committee for Refugees & Immigrants, We Are Free and 139 Made.

Like you, we are committed to seeing an end to the sex trafficking of children, no matter the cost.



"I now understand I have immeasurable worth.

I don't deserve to be used by anyone for anything. My life is changed because people care and give to Into The Light."

Special Thank You's

All Our Amazing Supporters, Volunteers and all those who found creative ways to help: Anna Ellis, Annettes Flowers, ASUMH- Baptist Collegiate Ministry & Criminology Club, Baxter Insurance, Baylor's Leather Works, Baxter Bulletin, Bull Shoals UMC, Bentonville H.S. Choir, Blue Lady Resort, C3 Church, Calico Rock Church of Christ, Car Care, Carter's Jewel Chest, Christian Church of M.H., Christian Service Center, Christian Women Society, Cora Sue Hardin, Cumberland Presbyterian Church, DeJohn Designs, Eastside Baptist Church, EJK's Custom Creations, First Baptist Church-Sonshine Girls & WMU, Good Shepherd UMC/Women, Grace Lutheran Church, Highland Church UMW, Hilvert Veterinary Services, HIS Resort, Hobby Lobby Store #585, Holiday Island Rotary Club, Injoy Box, Jay Chafin Insurance Agency, Inc., Jeff and Donna Frentz, Katherine Grace, Kaspar Family, KTLO Radio, LaFargue Financial Group, Marilyn Muehler, MH Family Chiropractic, M.H. Christian Academy, M.H.H.S. National Honor Society, Midway Animal Clinic, Mount Pleasant Sales & Service, Mountain Talk Radio, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, N'Kahootz Boutique, Norfolk UMW, Ozark Patriots, Ozarks Bible Church, Peglar Real Estate, Promise Land Bible Church, Pyatt Baptist Church/Women, R & E Paint & Supply, Rainwater, Holt & Sexton Injury Lawyers, Razer & Associates CPA's Inc, Redeemer Church, Remember Me Quilt Shop, Representatives: Austin McCollum, Charlene Fite, Clint Penzo, Delia Haak and Robin Lundstrum, Resurrection Church, Rogers 1st Church of the Nazarene, Schliemann Center, SNC Flooring, St. Peter The Fisherman Catholic Church Food Pantry Volunteers, Sweet Waffle Farms, Summit Bible Church, The Melodikats, The Ravington, The River Bible Church, Trimble Campground Church, Twin Lakes Animal Clinic, Twin Lakes Republican Women., Webb Pathology, White River Baptist Association, White River Marathon, Woodland Church, Village Bible Church Prayer Team & C.O.R.E. Volunteers, & many others who helped to end child trafficking and bring hope to survivors!
(If we missed you, please forgive us.)

Vision: A world where no child is bought, sold or exploited sexually.



"Into The Light has helped me a lot more than others in my life. They make me feel safe and loved."

Services Provided

4714 hours of trauma informed advocacy

2111 hours of mentorship

425 hours of Parent/Guardian Support

124 trauma informed therapy sessions

245 hours of crisis intervention assistance

897 times transportation support provided

124 High-risk children viewed ITL Prevention Presentation

1372 individuals trained on understanding, identifying, and supporting child trafficking victims.

8241 Total Number of Services Provided

Age Groups

Six to Eleven - 2

Twelve to Eighteen - 113

Nineteen to Twenty four - 35

Twenty five and over - 13

Genders

152 Females

10 Males

1 Prefer Not To Answer

FUNDING

Government Grants - Victims of Crime Act, (VOCA) - Approximately, one third of ITL's annual budget was reimbursed through this federal grant. We are grateful for this funding; however, we hope to become less dependent upon this income and continue to grow the support we receive from the caring public into the future.

Private Grants -

Arvest Foundation

Four1 Foundation

Shared Hope International

Duke Family Foundation

Rebsamen Fund,

Walmart Community Foundation

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104 Volunteers contributed \$93,126 worth of their time!

Individuals/Businesses/Churches -250+ generously gave finances or material items.

Additional financial details are available upon request.