The women we work with travel a new road after unspeakable experiences being trafficked. After they have gone through programs and demonstrated an affinity to building a new life, charted by their own goals and dreams, they are recommended to Empower Her Network. We address housing barriers, education financing, employment options and more. Destination: Her Choice!

HOW CAN I HELP?

Corporate Sponsorships & Grants
Would your company consider sponsoring survivors? Do they have a charitable grant program? Partnering with EHN to rebuild the lives of local survivors is a great opportunity for corporations to be recognized as community leaders. It almost always takes an internal employee advocate to initiate conversations with the appropriate contact, and we’d appreciate your help making that happen.

Basic necessities
As part of their ability to balance school and work as they strive for fiscal independence, many survivors need access to public transportation, groceries, furniture, etc. Do you have connections at local furniture stores, grocery stores, or child-care facilities that might be open to making donations? Do you know of places that would give EHN survivors a discount?

Housing
It is challenging to find long-term housing solutions for survivors of human trafficking who are able to pay rent for two reasons. One, the upfront cost of coming up with a security deposit and last month’s rent is a financial barrier and, two, even if we overcome that obstacle, most survivors have no or very poor credit histories. Do you know developers or landlords who would be willing to rent to the ambitious, stable survivors that are active in EHN’s network? Do you know realtors or brokers who might be interested in giving back by donating funds directed at breaking down the upfront financial barriers?

Employment
We are looking for local or national partnerships that would be survivor friendly work environments for stable survivors. To date, fields that we have had success in are hospitality, food service, childcare, administrative support, and transportation.
Education and Vocational Training

Whether it be an ESL need for foreign-born survivors or literacy for American-born – we need more trained tutors willing to volunteer with survivors one-on-one. Many women in the network are also ready and interested in vocational training (culinary, carpentry, cosmetology, etc.). EHN welcomes an introduction to local or national partners open to subsidizing or discounting the delta between financial aid (when available) and tuition.

Fundraising

- House events are a great way to raise awareness around the human trafficking realities in your area and grow a network that will help rebuild the lives of survivors. We continue to be amazed by how many women respond to a call to action and want to learn more. EHN will provide a speaker and video for these events, if interested.

- Sell Lulu Frost Empowerment Bracelets through a school, college, church, or other group! These $25 Lulu Frost bracelets are an incredible way to get the conversation started and support survivors. To date, we have raised over $75,000—100% of the net proceeds go to EHN. If you know of an organization willing to spearhead sales, please contact Kristy Norbert, knorbert@empowerhernetwork.org. We are happy to provide a speaker to kick-off sales.

- When you host a party or celebrate your birthday on facebook, consider asking for donations to EHN instead of gifts. We are happy to build a landing page especially for your celebration.

- Make a one-time or monthly personal donation on the website. Personal monthly donations create an predictable revenue stream that enables thoughtful growth so we can serve more women. $10 a month? $25? 50? Whatever fits your budget, makes a difference.

- Amazon Smile — At no cost to you, Amazon will donate .5% of your purchases to Empower Her Network. Follow the simple instructions and bookmark smile.amazon.com as the website you use when placing orders. If you add items on your app or on Amazon, they will still show up on your AmazonSmile browser. As long as you’re using Smile when you place the purchase, the donation will be sent to Empower Her Network.

Be a Microphone

We need advocates and ambassadors of EHN and the anti-trafficking movement! The more people who understand the problem and solutions, the stronger the network becomes. We have had great success in finding resources when people take the time to share.

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