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PTC PROGRESS REPORT & UPDATE MARCH 2018

Campaign to ban "sex for sale" adverts:

TOTAL SIGNATURES TO DATE: 43,301



TARGET: 100,000 signatures

"Ban Sex for Sale Advertising" Campaign

Our thanks for facilitating petition signatures go to a local NHS trust for raising awareness of the signs of modern slavery via a workshop for student and newly qualified nurses; also to Bournemouth University for giving a presentation on sex trafficking and encouraging students to sign our petition, and to clubs and organizations in Brixham, Stafford, Poole, Chester, Dorchester and Weymouth, who held or supported events around International Women's Day. Check out the Bar Chart to see the wide UK coverage that Soroptimists and other organizations are achieving - spreading the word on the trafficking of women and girls in particular. We really can't do this without everyone's help, which we value greatly. As people often email to us, and we pass on to you: "keep up the good work!"

Ideas for Action?



Why not check your post code area and see if your club can improve on the signatures received so far, and if you haven't yet been involved in collecting signatures and thereby raising awareness, why not just hold a coffee morning, a strawberry tea, or a wine and cheese evening?

As the PAO, if you email us your postal address we can send you a sample resource pack, with posters and information leaflets sufficient to explain about sex trafficking, including a multisignature petition form and a Purple Teardrop pin badge. Funds raised could help us continue with our Victim Support Programme (see below).

Victim Support Programme.

This is what we (and by helping us) you do with funds raised to transform the lives of trafficked women and girls

HOW DO WE HELP?

- Supplement the basic facilities at the safe houses we support
- Outreach work to survivors now living in the community
- Provide support for education and training to improve skills for work
- Short stay at a community farm
- Support business setup selling new/good condition bras

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Soroptimists and others have swum, run, danced, walked, marched, kept vigils, held coffee mornings, chained themselves up, had stands at fairs, church fetes, conferences, fashion shows and silent auctions, to name but a few wonderful events.

Donations from fund raising events help us run our Victim Support Programme



Please Note Bras & Ties

- We have now finished our bra collection campaign, and the final shipment has now been sent off. If you have bras already collected your local recycling schemes may well still be collecting these.
- Purple Community Fund have had so many ties sent to them that they are no longer collecting.
- This has been an amazing campaign, thank you so much if you have helped to support us



When you have an anti-trafficking thing going on, please let us know via Enquiries @purpleteardrop.org.uk We love to share good practice through our progress reports and website.



Have you read the Purple Teardrop Campaign's Annual Report to Trustees?

We have had a busy year, as you will see if you click on The Purple Teardrop Campaign's <u>Trustees</u> Report, January 2018.



The Purple Teardrop Campaign have been busy since 2008, when it was started by SI Poole members, so this year we will celebrate 10 amazing years, helping to raise awareness of human trafficking and supporting victims of modern slavery through fundraising.

What does the future hold?

Please let us know if you have any thoughts or ideas that we could help you develop

HAS YOUR CLUB or ORGANISATION SEEN THIS?

CALL TO ACTION

If you are on Facebook or Twitter you may have come across this important petition to provide much needed support to rescued victims of trafficking.

free for good
THE UK'S CAMPAIGN FOR
THE MODERN SLAVERY (VICTIM SUPPORT) BILL

Please look at the website and the further information, and if you concur, write to your MP asking them to ensure that this Bill reaches The Commons for debate. The Bill was debated at Second Reading in the House of Lords on 8th September and was supported by Peers from all parties. Unfortunately, the Government has not yet agreed to support the Bill and the next stage has not yet been scheduled.

WHEN A PERSON ESCAPES FROM MODERN SLAVERY THEY NEED HELP. MOST OF ALL THEY NEED SECURITY AND STABILITY AS THEY LOOK TO THE FUTURE.

UNLIKE VICTIMS OF MODERN SLAVERY IN NORTHERN IRELAND AND SCOTLAND, THE LAW IN ENGLAND AND WALES CURRENTLY DOES NOT GIVE VICTIMS A RIGHT TO SUPPORT.*

THIS BILL WILL GIVE ALL VICTIMS THE CHANCE TO HAVE SUPPORT AND HELP FOR A
YEAR TO HELP THEM GET BACK ON THEIR FEET.

http://freeforgood.org.uk/

QUICK LINKS - easy access to our website to help us continue with our campaigns

- Did you know ALL monies you send us, collected through fundraising events, go directly to continue our Victim Support Programme or you can <u>donate</u> from our website
- Did you miss our Jan/Feb 17 Progress Report? <u>Click here</u> to download and read updates on national anti-trafficking measures
- Did you know **we also have a bi-annual newsletter?** <u>The Winter edition</u> can be read and downloaded <u>here</u> or you can join our email list to sign up for our newsletter and information on lobbying issues
- Information on our Relationship Bookmarks can be found by clicking http://www.purpleteardrop.org.uk/what-you-can-do/love-melove-me-not-bookmarks-and-cards/
- Here is where you can download a multi-signature petition form to collect 33 signatures
- <u>On-line Petition</u> click this link to send to your email, Twitter and FB contacts and ask them to sign if this is easier than using the petition form