



"A Community Response to Human Trafficking"

The Safety Net

July 2015

SAFE Now at Nash Community College



SAFE is excited to announce that a chapter of our organization has been established at Nash Community College! Heather Christman, a second year Human Services student, has been working diligently to get this organization duly chartered and going. SAFE has Ms. Marbeth Jones as its official advisor. One event that is being immediately planned

by SAFE at NCC is to host an Outreach Booth, fully manned by students, where students can receive free information about the dangers, prevention, and reporting of human trafficking. In addition, SAFE at NCC is gearing to show the highly publicized film about human trafficking, "Chosen" at NCC, followed up by a discussion/question and answer session. Many thanks to Heather, who has truly stepped up to take our message to students who really need to hear it!



Heather Christman at a SAFE Outreach at Nash Community College last spring.

If you know of any students at Nash Community College, please help them to be aware of this group and encourage them to participate in this organization. Let's do all we can to get the word out!

SAFE Executive Board

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We meet monthly to discuss issues and activities of SAFE, and to make plans for future outreaches and events. Please contact any of us if you have any ideas you would like to share so that we can have you join us at one of our monthly get-togethers!



PLEASE NOTE

SAFE is planning a conference for next year! The Conference is slated for Friday, April 8, 2016 at Church On The Rise. The theme for our Conference will be “Community” and will focus on how we can all use the varied and rich resources of our communities to help to spread our message. Please mark your calendars for this event! More information will be coming soon!

Just In Case....

Important numbers to know!

Sergeant Wayne Morris, RMPD (252) 343-3173

National Hotline (to get help) 1-888-3737-888

Do You Know the Signs???

Sexual Exploitation

Be aware: ordinary residential housing/hotels are being used more and more for brothels. People forced into sexual exploitation may:

- Be moved between brothels, sometimes from city to city
- Sleeping on work premises
- Display a limited amount of clothing, of which a large proportion is sexual
- Display substance misuse
- Be forced, intimidated or coerced into providing sexual services
- Be subjected to abduction, assault or rape
- Be unable to travel freely e.g. picked up and dropped off at work location by another person
- Have money for their services provided collected by another person

STAY ALERT! STAY AWARE!

Taken from Hope for Justice

<http://hopeforjustice.org/spot-the-signs/#general-indicators>

My Turn...



Some very caring people in Greenville have been working tirelessly to get a house opened for male victims of human trafficking. The house has been named The Anchor House and is being built through Chris and Anna Smith and Restore One of Greenville. Having gotten to know these two, I am so very impressed and proud of these two and their colleagues at Restore One, who have been actively fundraising for The Anchor House and spreading the message of prevention and reporting of human trafficking for quite a while now.

There has been some encouraging development as construction has continued on the site of The Anchor House, which is due to be completed by December of this year.

USE YOUR VOICE! SPEAK UP!

If you see something that doesn't look right, say something! Call Sgt. Morris at 252-343-3173 to report anything that looks suspicious to you. You never know when one tip could lead to someone's freedom!



The current state of The Anchor House

Sadly, local residents have been fighting this construction, and have been supported by the Greene County Commissioners, who have vigorously opposed Restore One and their efforts. Please contact the Commissioners and express your concern over their opposition by writing them at the following link:

<http://www.co.greene.nc.us/board-of-commissioners>

Let's all get behind Chris and Anna Smith and their colleagues at Restore One in any way that we can! Their fight is OUR fight!

Kenny Sumner, Director

“SAFE” THE DATE!



SAFE has changed to a **new** meeting format. We now meet once every quarter. The next SAFE meeting is **Thursday, October 22, at 10:00 a.m.** at Eastpointe! Hope you're there!

