Iowa Network Against Human Trafficking and Slavery

Volunteer Distribution and Posting Instructions
Ordering the Iowa Human Trafficking Rescue Sticker

Thank you for volunteering to join the fight to end human trafficking in Iowa. This evil crime has no place in Iowa and you have now enlisted in our mission to eradicate modern day slavery. To place an order for stickers, contact Dr. George Belitsos at gbelitsos55@gmail.com.

**Why post the Rescue Sticker?**

Traffickers instill fear in their victims and a belief that no one cares. The Iowa NAHT reaches out to victims through the Rescue Sticker with a message of hope that displays both the National and Iowa hotline numbers and text message option. The sticker also sends the message that human trafficking does happen in Iowa and that we each need to play a role to spot it.

The harsh reality is that dozens of Iowa victims are being trafficked every day. Ninety-eight percent of trafficking carries on undetected and unreported. The Rescue Sticker also encourages those that do recognize signs of trafficking to call and report what they suspect. By increasing public awareness, the Rescue Sticker reminds all Iowans that they can take steps to recognize and report suspected trafficking and thereby possibly save innocent lives.

**Where do I post the Stickers?**

You are asked to post Rescue Stickers especially in women’s restrooms because that is the safest place for a victim to call or text or write down or memorize the hotline and arrange a safety plan to connect to services. Although posting the stickers in public restrooms is the most effective, location, other visible locations in a business or public place would also be appropriate.

We ask that you focus your posting of stickers in liquor stores, clinics, hospitals, court houses, transportation centers, schools, social service agencies, police stations, hotels/motels, Walmarts, pharmacies, and bars.

Large multi-state convenience store chains such as Kum and Go and Casey’s are receiving stickers from a national anti-trafficking non-profit known as In Our Backyard. However, it is appropriate for you to approach stand alone gas stations, truck stops and convenience stores.

**Getting consent is required**

Please do not post the Rescue Sticker in a facility without first getting the permission of the business or property owner/manager. Record the name and/or ask them to sign the attached consent form. Also, list the type of business, name of business, and location. After you distribute and post all your stickers, please return the Iowa Human Trafficking Rescue Sticker Business Consent and Posting Location Form(s) to Dr. George Belitsos, 5508 W. Lincoln Way, Ames, IA 50014 or scan and send it by email to Dr. George Belitsos at gbelitsos55@gmail.com.

Please also return any unused stickers to this same address. Thanks!

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