

## **CORPORATE STANCE AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

As the Congregation of Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word of San Antonio, moved by our mission to actualize the compassionate and saving love of the Incarnate Word by promoting human dignity, **“we affirm the dignity and rights of all people and denounce human trafficking and the economic and social systems that promote it.”**

We support programs and initiatives that:

- Educate and motivate groups to take effective actions towards the elimination human trafficking.
- Promote equitable and sustainable development and eliminate extreme poverty
- Rescue, rehabilitate, and reintegrate into society victims of human trafficking.

We oppose practices that:

- Take advantage of people while seeking wealth and/or pleasure.
- Destroy the environment, thus eliminating opportunities for income and contributing to forced migration.

We remind ourselves that in order to end the crime of human trafficking we will all need to work together; and so, as Congregation, we need to unite with other persons or groups to:

- Eliminate the causes and profitable markets for this crime
- Help victims to recover and develop in mind, body and spirit.

We commit ourselves to action:

### *Spiritual*

Prayer, especially July 30, world day of prayer to end human trafficking.

September 23, International Day against human trafficking, and Feb, 8, feast of St. Bakhita

### *Spreading the word and sentization*

Encourage other interested people Include the topic of human trafficking in community and institutional projects

Share personal knowledge and experiences through our blog

Have talks/conferences on this topic in our schools and hospitals.

### *Generating economic resources*

Establish a local community and/or institutional budget to assist these activities

### *Formation and training*

Participate in or organize activities for prevention of human trafficking.

Strengthen knowledge and training that promotes a culture of protecting Human Rights.

Locate and patronize local businesses that treat their employees justly.

### *Networks*

Organize or join networks and other organizations

Learn about and share information about the work of National Conferences of Religious in each country where we minister and other organizations.