

# **NORTH ALABAMA HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASK FORCE**

## **Meeting Minutes**

**July 11, 2017**

Present: Berniece Andrus, Lori Bateman, Lynette Bellomy, Jennifer Borba-Lindsey, James Boyle, Cooper Green, Valerie Fowler, Steve Grissom, Denise Johnson, Garry Johnson, Maggie Jones, Tiffany Lockett, Tosha Malone, Pat McCay, Mary Millhouse, Rick Nelson, Tyron Newton, Lisa Rhodes, Spencer Schneider, Helen Smith, Linda Snead, Peggy Stewart, Rick Tate, Meghan Watson, and Kay West.

1. Welcome

- Welcome and introductions were made.

2. Treasurer's Report – Bhavani Kakani

- Current Balance is \$ 4,221.79. Movie expenses will be forthcoming.

3. Meeting Minutes for June 6 2017 meeting were approved as distributed.

4. Rummage Sale for TVFS – Kay West

- Update was given by Kay West on the upcoming rummage sale; and flyers/posters were made available.
- Dates:
  - Thursday, 12noon – 6 pm (Setup and items delivered/dropped off); NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP!
  - Friday, 8 am to 6 pm (Rummage Sale) NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP!
  - Saturday, beginning at 10 am (Live Auction); Auctioneer and his crew will be completely in charge of the Live Auction. We will only assist if specifically asked to do so.

5. Blue Campaign Videos – Pat McCay

- Viewed two videos from Homeland Security Administration – “Truck Stop” and “School Recruitment” to further the task force In-Service training for task force members.

6. “8 Days” Film Screening – Rick Tate, Chair

- The film screening is scheduled for Thursday, July 20, 2017 at Trinity United Methodist Church (New Room). This event is intended to raise awareness of sex trafficking in the community.
- The movie is a full length film (1½ hours in length); no admission will be charged.
- A panel discussion is scheduled after the film to answer any questions that come from the audience. Spencer Schneider (Homeland Security), Rick Nelson (Huntsville Police Department), and a representative from the FBI, Rick Tate, and Pat McCay will participate in the panel discussion.



7. Training Coordinator – Rick Tate

- Rick Tate gave an update on training and speaking activities. He is tracking all speaking engagements so that we can assess the task force's overall effectiveness at the end of the year.
- All speaking and training requests should be directed to Rick.
- We will continue to provide In Service training for task force members in upcoming meetings.

8. Community Awareness for Youth (CAFY) – David Pinkleton

- This community-wide event is scheduled for July 29, 2017, 10 am – 2 pm, at the Jaycees Building on Airport Road.
- A sign-up sheet was passed around requesting volunteers to work the task force booth at the event.

9. Speakers Bureau – Pat McCay and Rick Tate

- Speakers' Bureau training is scheduled for Wednesday, July 26 and Friday, July 28. Times and location for the training will be provided by Pat McCay within the next few days.
- We now have 17 individuals who have begun the training.

10. Other Upcoming Projects – Pat McCay

- Our annual January awareness event will be chaired by Kay West. It is scheduled for January 13 at Trinity United Methodist Church. The program content is currently being developed.
- We are planning a Labor Trafficking event in the Fall for the general public.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 1, 2017 at 2:00 pm at NCAC.

Meeting Adjourned at: 3:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Linda Snead, Task Force Secretary