

# Coalition of Catholic Organizations Against Human Trafficking



Modern day slavery violates the sanctity, dignity & fundamental rights of the human person. Through coercion, deceit, and physical abuse, nearly 25 million adults and children are forced to perform backbreaking unpaid labor or commercial sex acts for the economic benefit of others. Many of the goods we buy may be tainted by slavery, found in global supply chains from cocoa to fish to cobalt.

To help end this dehumanizing practice and advocate for systemic change, 35 national and international agencies came together in 2003 to form the Coalition of Catholic Organizations against Human Trafficking (CCOAH). CCOAH strives to answer Pope Francis' urgent call "to join forces to prevent the slave trade and guarantee protection and assistance to victims."

Our Coalition engages in and promotes a four-pronged approach to help eliminate the scourge of human trafficking: Prevention, Protection, Prosecution, & Partnership.

## TOGETHER WE:

- Advocate for stronger state and federal anti-trafficking legislation
- Promote trauma informed and survivor centered services for trafficking survivors
- Raise public consciousness through education campaigns and grassroots action
- Press the private sector and consumers to prioritize slave-free supply chains

## MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

Archdiocese of Atlanta, Office of Life, Dignity and Justice  
Archdiocese of Hartford, Office for Catholic Social Justice Ministry  
Archdiocese of Indianapolis - Catholic Charities  
Archdiocese of San Francisco, Office of Human Life & Dignity  
Catholic Charities-Cleveland  
Catholic Relief Services  
Christian Brothers Investment Services  
Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Good Shepherd, US Provinces  
Daughters of Charity, USA  
Dawn's Place  
Diocese of Charlotte  
Diocese of Orlando Human Trafficking Task Force  
Diocese of St. Petersburg, Office of Life, Justice, & Advocacy  
Felician Sisters of North America  
Franciscan Action Network  
Holy Spirit Missionary Sisters  
Human Trafficking Academy, St. Thomas University School of Law, Miami  
IL Women Religious Against Human Trafficking  
Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center  
International Catholic Migration Commission  
Justice Committee of the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia

Ladies of Charity USA  
Leadership Conference of Women Religious  
MACAMS  
Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns  
Maryland Catholic Conference  
Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate  
National Advocacy Center of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd  
Notre Dame Sisters, Omaha  
Region VI Coalition for Responsible Investment  
Seventh Generation Interfaith Coalition for Responsible Investment  
Sisters of Mercy of the Americas — West Midwest Community  
Sisters of the Divine Savior, North American Province  
Sisters of the Humility of Mary, Villa Maria, PA  
Society of the Holy Child Jesus  
The Catholic Health Association of the United States  
The Ladies of Charity of the United States of America  
Through God's Grace Ministry  
Tri-State Coalition for Responsible Investment  
U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking  
U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops/Migration and Refugee Services

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