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2020 ANNUAL REPORT



We are better together.

Lily* did not have anyone until we met her when she was 13 years old - only a child and yet carrying memories of a past so broken she didn't have the words to express it.

Our team first met her in a juvenile detention center in North Texas. That day, she spoke up about what happened to her, learning the words for the first time to put a name to her experience.

She had been abandoned by her family as a child, which sent her to the streets looking for safety and belonging. This brokenness in her home set her up for the lures of a trafficker: a predator who knew exactly how to manipulate the vulnerability of hurting children. She was trafficked across several states and eventually sent to juvenile detention for the crimes she was involved in while under the control of this trafficker.

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As we advocated for her to be recognized as a victim in the system, we were able to get her into a restorative rehabilitation program hundreds of miles away, and our team kept in touch with her week in, week out. She successfully graduated from the program, returned to North Texas, and continued to be a part of our Voice & Choice advocacy program.

But healing is rarely a straight path.

The journey we have walked with her has been anything but simple. She was trafficked two more times, running away when facing the unknown felt too overwhelming, when learning to trust and accept love felt scary. We stuck by her side even amidst the unknown.

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But eventually, through the slow process of building a trust-based relationship with her, we witnessed incredible transformation in 2019. There is no magic wand that can fix the deeply fractured pain survivors are carrying, but year after year, our showing up again and again began to heal some of the relational wounds she received while being exploited and even before exploitation. She has gained a new level of strength through recognizing the power of her story, and she is now expressing a deep desire to help others recover from exploitation.

True healing comes from going deep with others. Being there when they take steps back, being there when they take steps forward, being there when they run away, being there when they come back. Being there, being there, being there.







212 Survivors Served

with crisis response and advocacy services

- 24/7 crisis response team
- · Providing for emergency needs
- · In-field advocacy and mentoring
- Family engagement

7,544 Adults Trained

in trafficking awareness and prevention

- · In-depth training of first responders
- · Professionals, such as school staff
- Community groups and churches
- · Other victim-serving organizations

2019 Financials

10% Development

14% Administration

76% Programs

Beginning Cash Balance \$321,154 Ending Cash Balance \$119,124

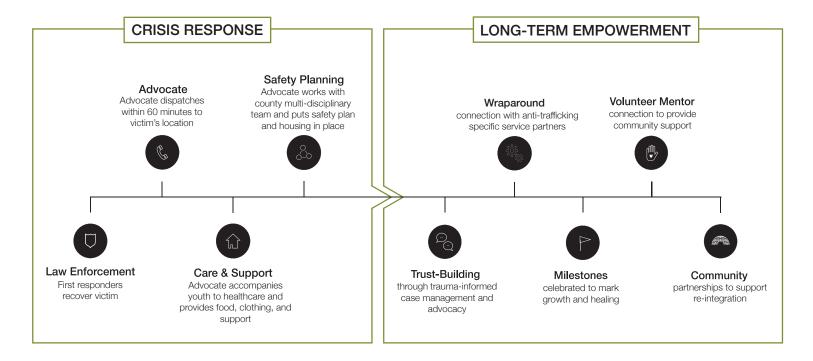
INCOME \$982,111 **EXPENSES** \$1,147,004

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Going Deeper.

Dear Friend.

Over the last 10 years, we have had the unique opportunity to organically adapt our approach to the issue of child sex trafficking as we learned from the survivors we walked with. And after a decade of this work, we have zeroed in on our sweet spot, the area of service where we can leverage the most impact to see true healing in the lives of victims and in our communities. Going wide is important, but true life change happens when we go deep in relationships with people, empowering them to embrace healing within the safe context of trust-based relationships. On a practical level, this looks like focusing our resources on what we do best: serving trafficked and high



risk youth with crisis response and long-term empowerment through advocacy and mentoring. All of this is possible through our deep partnerships with local, state and federal systems as well as other community organizations - collaborating together day by day to see change. We are better together. Our evidence-based strategy to impact the lives of the 160+ youth we serve today, and those we will meet this year, hinges on your support. I am truly thrilled to invite you to become a Visionary partner with us as we step forward day by day to build relationships with these incredibly brave survivors. Because they need us, we need you to go deep with us and to keep showing up for them.

