



APRIL 2022

## PATH IN THE FUTURE



PATH Coalition will once again be participating in KY Gives Day on Tuesday, May 10. PATH is an all volunteer organization and 100% of donations go to PATH programs and education. Participation in fundraising programs such as KY Gives Day in May and Give For Good Louisville in September support PATH's future ability to provide Human Trafficking education at NO CHARGE to requesting organizations.

[DONATE HERE ON MAY 10](#)

**Register Now for Virtual Lunch and Learn on May 20th  
from 12pm-1:30pm**

Grab your lunch and please join the Metro United Way as it presents and examines findings from the landscape analysis anti-trafficking report conducted in 2021. A panel discussion of human trafficking experts will answer questions and address issues related to response & prevention happening in our community.

Panel speakers include:

- **Gretchen Hunt**, Executive Administrator of the Office for Women, Louisville Metro Government
- **Dr. Theresa Hayden, PhD, MSSW** Immediate Past President of People Against the Trafficking of Humans (PATH) Coalition of Kentucky

- **Cara Starns**, Founder & President of Safe Passage

We encourage you to review the report before you attend, as the four focus areas of the report will guide the discussion. You are welcome to submit questions and/or share perspectives and input related to human trafficking before the event HERE.

[Register Now](#)

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## PATH IN THE FIELD

Our community presenter, Kayla Thomas, is out and about delivering vital education on human trafficking. **She has presented to over 1,100 people in 2022 alone!** Visit [PATH's website to schedule your FREE training today!](#)

### Marshall University Child Trafficking Master's in Social Work Presentation

Continuing our partnership with Marshall University, PATH again presented on April 1st and 15th. Recognition of child trafficking victims can be very challenging. Future social workers benefit from understanding the diversity of potential physical, mental, behavioral, and developmental responses, and the complexity of children's responses to threat, fear, manipulation, deception and abuse. Marshall's social work students learned about the prevention, intervention, and aftercare of children and families subjected to trafficking.

### University of Louisville Take Back the Night Resource Fair

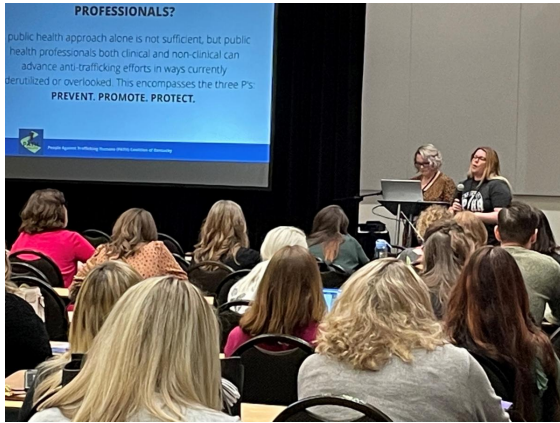
PATH tabled on April 6th at the University of Louisville's Take Back the Night Resource Fair. Take Back the Night has been a campus tradition since 2001 and its purpose is to bring together everyone from community organizations, campuses, and neighborhoods to protest sexual and relational violence and honor the stories of those who have been impacted.



### Kentucky Public Health Association's Highway to Health Conference

The approach to human trafficking has been driven largely by a criminal law framework, and the cumulative result of their efforts is a patchwork of criminal laws and some assistance programs for victims, but almost no measures addressing the root causes of the problem. On April 21st, PATH presented Human Trafficking As A Public Health Issue at the KPHA annual conference. Although a public health approach alone is not sufficient, public

health professionals both clinical and non-clinical can advance anti-trafficking efforts in ways currently underutilized or overlooked. As an emerging public health issue, it is imperative to take an approach that involves organized, multidisciplinary strategies to aim to impact the entire population. PATH Board Member Debra Young and Education Coordinator Kayla Thomas presented underlying vulnerability and protective factors, prevention strategies evaluation, and how to ensure widespread awareness of the issue from a public health perspective.



## The SOAP Project

PATH tabled at The SOAP Project on April 30th. Hosted by the Junior League of Louisville, volunteers met to label bars of soap with the National Human Trafficking Hotline # and distribute that soap to local hotels.

[WDRB Louisville News Coverage](#)



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## PATH IN THE BOARDROOM

Our board members have been out and about in April raising awareness about human trafficking. Debra Young has been participating in the Marshall University presentations and immediate past president, Dr. Theresa Hayden, and board members Patricia Bautista-Cervera and Sr Carol Curtis tabled at The SOAP Project.



## PATH AND YOU

### SAVE THE DATE

We can't do our work without your fantastic support. Please save May 10, 2022 as PATH participates in KY Gives Day. Minimum donation is just \$5. 100% of funds raised goes toward providing human trafficking education. KY Gives Day is sponsored by the Kentucky Non-profit Network. Bookmark this page: [KY Gives Day PATH donation page](#)



#### *First Lady Sam Gibson's pin*



*"Be the Key"*

*Raising awareness about  
human trafficking*

#### **Be The Key Lapel Pin Fundraiser by Ms. Sam Gibson**

The lapel pin is available for \$10 through October, 2022. Email [Sam.Bethekey@gmail.com](mailto:Sam.Bethekey@gmail.com) if you would like to purchase one.

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