



JULY 2022

## WORLD DAY AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS JULY 30, 2022

The United Nations designated Saturday, July 30 as World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. The theme for 2022 was use and abuse of technology. Read the Secretary General's message for 2022:

Human trafficking is a horrific crime and an all-out assault on people's rights, safety and dignity.

Tragically, it is also a problem that is growing worse — especially for women and girls, who represent the majority of detected trafficked persons globally.

Conflicts, forced displacement, climate change, inequality and poverty have left tens of millions of people around the world destitute, isolated and vulnerable.

The COVID-19 pandemic has separated children and young people from their friends and peers, causing them to spend more time alone and online.

Human traffickers are taking advantage of these vulnerabilities, using sophisticated technology to identify, track, control and exploit victims.

Online platforms allow them to deceive and recruit people with false promises. The dark web lets them conceal their identities while spreading their vile materials, including those that sexually exploit children. And technology gives consumers the ability to anonymously demand increasingly dangerous and degrading content that fuels human trafficking.

But as the theme of this year's World Day Against Trafficking in Persons — "Use and Abuse of Technology" — reminds us, while technology can enable human trafficking, it can also be a critical tool in fighting it.

We need governments, regulators, businesses and civil society joining forces to invest in policies, laws and technology-based solutions that can identify and support victims, locate and punish perpetrators, and ensure a safe, open and secure internet for all.

As part of 2023's Summit of the Future, I have proposed a Global Digital Compact to rally the world around the need to bring good governance to the digital space.

On this important day, I call on the world to give this issue the attention and action it deserves and work to end the scourge of human trafficking once and for all.

António Guterres

View a video on this year's theme: [Use and Abuse of Technology](#)

## PATH IN THE FIELD

Visit [PATH's website to schedule your FREE training today!](#)

As mentioned in past newsletters, PATH is working hard on a grant from the Metro United Way to train the trainers on how to educate frontline employees on what human trafficking looks like and how to help if you spot it. However, we still offer free community presentations to non-profit organizations, companies, volunteer groups, etc. Please click the link above if you are interested in scheduling a presentation.

And

If you know someone in HR of an organization with frontline employees, please send us a note and let us know how to reach them to see if they would like to be part of our Metro United Way project: [Contact Us](#)

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## PATH IN THE BOARDROOM

On Saturday, July 30, PATH's board met for a strategic planning session. Led by the following slate of officers, PATH is looking forward to reviewing how we do our work, making improvements to our work, and educating as many people as possible about what human trafficking is and what they can do about it.

**President – Jamieca Jones**  
**Vice-President – Sr Jacqueline Aceto**  
**Treasurer – Theresa Hayden**  
**Secretary – Deb Young**

Saturday's meeting was an in-depth discussion for our board along with a chance to spend time furthering our relationships with each other. We are excited about the future and what it holds. Stay tuned!

PATH is always looking for community contributors. So if you have time and would like to assist our collaboration or education/outreach committees, send us a note: <https://pathcoalitionofky.org/get-involved>

### Welcome to the Board!





Maryann Tarquinio is a member of the Dominican Sisters of Peace. She has a B.S. in Chemistry (Siena College), a M.A.T. in Chemistry (Salem State), a Certificate in School Administration (Boston State), and a Master's in Organizational Development (Loyola Chicago). Most of her ministry has been in High Schools in Massachusetts and Louisville. She has served as a Science and Math teacher, Assistant Principal, Principal, Campus Minister, Retreat Director, Athletic Director, Coach, and Moderator for many extracurricular activities. All of these have held opportunities to be part of many committees and Boards. In the past she has been the Vocation and Formation Director, part of the Spirituality Committee, and Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee, for her community. As an Organizational Consultant she worked with several Religious communities. She has just retired as the Campus Minister for Holy Cross High School in Louisville.

An Ursuline Sister of Louisville, Carol Curtis serves as Social Concerns Liaison and promoter of integral ecology for the congregation; she also ministers as a spiritual director. In 2017 she interned with St John Day Center and Coalition for the Homeless and has more recently volunteered with Uniting Partners for Women and Children; she also worked for Shively Area Ministries. In 2019 she completed a master's in theology at St Meinrad School of Theology.

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## PATH AND YOU



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*"Be the Key"*

*Raising awareness about  
human trafficking*

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Ms. Sam Gibson**

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