







**13TH ANNUAL BUBBLES & BUTTERFLIES GALA**  
**SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2024**



## A LETTER FROM OUR FOUNDING CEO

"... It's less what the eyes see and more what the soul feels..."

Dear Friends,

When I started Redefining Refuge in 2010, I didn't see what our then legislators and law enforcement were trained to see. Socially constructed labels like "troubled children", "runaways" or perhaps worst of all "child prostitutes" deeply interrupted every fiber of my being and seemed to be nothing but a mask that was hiding hurting children in plain sight.

How can a 9-year-old little girl 'choose' not only to be a prostitute but be HIV positive and actively addicted to crack cocaine? She simply cannot. All I could see beneath the mask of addiction and chronic illness was a tiny person whose entire childhood up until that point had been marred and stolen in ways most of us couldn't imagine. She needed a hug, not handcuffs and she needed a safe and soft place to heal, not a detention center.

If only there was something that could be done....

I wondered what my late Grandma who loved children so much would do and my thoughts began to drift to one of the things her heart and imagination were so frequently captivated by - butterflies. I come to learn that the transformative journey that a caterpillar must take to get its wings is not just fascinating, but it is a story of fragility, adversity and ultimately a type of resiliency that leads to an extraordinary freedom.

My thoughts drift back to the children.

If only we could get them to trust us enough to come on this journey alongside of them....

And they did. And they do.

It is 13 years later, and my heart is more humbled than words can describe that so many children have allowed us to be part of their healing journey.

That this Tampa Community has been able to see these children through the same butterfly colored lenses God gave me.

That you continue to be there for them.  
And for us.

It's true you know - what the caterpillar calls the end, the Master calls a butterfly.

Thank you, Tampa, for sharing in our Vision to  
Be The Beginning of An End...

*Natasha Nascimento*





## OUR REFERRAL PROCESS

A HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALLEGATION IS RECEIVED VIA THE NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE OR FL CHILD ABUSE HOTLINE

IF THE ALLEGATION MEETS CRITERIA FOR TRAFFICKING, AN INTAKE REPORT IS GENERATED AND REDEFINING REFUGE IS NOTIFIED

WE THEN FACILITATE A MULTIDISCIPLINARY STAFFING TO INCLUDE LAW ENFORCEMENT, THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, OUR 13TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND OTHER KEY STAKEHOLDERS.

DURING THIS STAFFING, THE CURRENT FINDINGS OF THE PENDING INVESTIGATION ARE DISCUSSED. A NEEDS ASSESSMENT IS CONDUCTED, AND APPROPRIATE REFERRALS ARE MADE UNIQUE TO THE CHILD.

IF APPROPRIATE, A REFERRAL IS MADE TO REDEFINING REFUGE WHERE ONE OF OUR YOUTH AND FAMILY ADVOCATES IS IMMEDIATELY ASSIGNED TO THE CHILD.

OUR ADVOCATES WORK DIRECTLY WITH THE CHILD TO PROVIDE THERAPIES, EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE, COURT ADVOCACY, MENTORSHIP, FACILITATION OF MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS, ANCILLARY NEEDS AND THE LIKE.





## A LETTER FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDENT

Tampa Community,

I first learned about Redefining Refuge in the Fall of 2019, when asked to help with the program and live auction aspect of the annual *Bubbles and Butterflies Gala*. After living in Tampa nearly 13 years, I was entirely unaware of the existence and prevalence of child trafficking in my own 'backyard'.

Like so many others who first learn about this issue, I was appalled, overwhelmed, and went through a cycle of disbelief, denial, and anger. While I attempted to 'move on' with my life, the facts and stories consumed and disrupted my thinking - especially as a Mother. I simply could not just walk away from this Cause, this organization, or the children of Tampa impacted by this issue.

While I lack expertise in the care and case management of our kids, I continued to look for opportunities to support Natasha in her efforts, educate our community on this topic, and raise funding to continue this Cause. I was thrilled when Natasha approached me about serving on her Board of Directors and look forward to continuing efforts to educate and involve our Tampa Community in this fight.

The past year proved to be one of great success but equally great challenge. We were honored to serve a record number of children throughout the year, and continued to build awareness locally, connecting with new attendees from our Annual Gala and our "All Hands on Deck" Awareness Campaign.

The year was not without its' challenges, as the number of reported cases continues to increase, and the creativity and manipulation of traffickers continues to evolve. Cost increases and resource constraints that impact most businesses present similar challenge for non-profits like Redefining Refuge.

The support and involvement from our community is critical to continuing the impact for our children.

I'm proud to be part of this organization and excited about the impact Redefining Refuge will continue to make with your help.

Jen Gudenkauf





## PROGRAM SERVICES

Youth who have been victimized by Commercial Sexual Exploitation (CSE) by means of Human Trafficking and those who are at especially high-risk of CSE are eligible for the following services:

- Comprehensive Care Plans
- Mental Health Services
- Telehealth and Teletherapy
- Alternative Therapies
- Treatment Planning
- Healthcare Appointments
- Facilitation of Non-Medical Services
- Educational and Tutoring Assistance
- Life Skills Management
- Youth Empowerment Groups
- Supervised Visitation
- Assistance with Transportation
- Consultation with Caregivers
- Court Advocacy Assistance
- Ancillary Needs Assistance

### We Also Provide:

- Training and consultation to foster care parents who are interested in caring for CSE youth
- Training and consultation to community based care agencies via DCF certified curriculum
- Training and consultation to diversion case managers who encounter especially high risk youth



# ANNUAL OVERVIEW

\* HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY FOSTER CARE/COMMUNITY YOUTH



YOUTH RECEIVING ASSISTANCE VIA OUR HUMAN TRAFFICKING LIAISON AND SPECIALIZED CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES\*



ADDITIONAL YOUTH PARTICIPATING IN WEEKLY SERVICES VIA OUTREACH, PREVENTION AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS\*



AVERAGE ANNUAL COST OF COMPREHENSIVE CARE PER CHILD

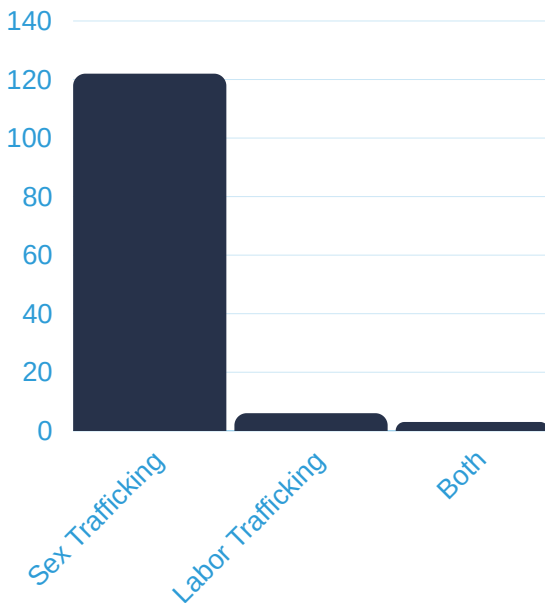
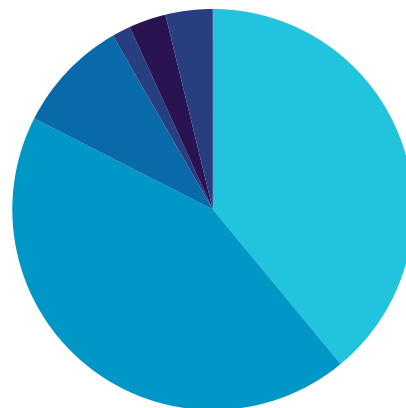
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CAUCASIAN

AFRICAN AMERICAN

HISPANIC ASIAN

MULTI UNKNOWN



RESTORING HOPE

DEFENDING INNOCENCE

OVER 29,700 PROFESSIONALS TRAINED IN THE FOLLOWING DISCIPLINES:



CHILD PROTECTIVE INVESTIGATORS



SCHOOL PERSONNEL



CHILD WELFARE CASE MANAGERS



ATTORNEYS



LAW ENFORCEMENT



PHYSICIANS



JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICERS



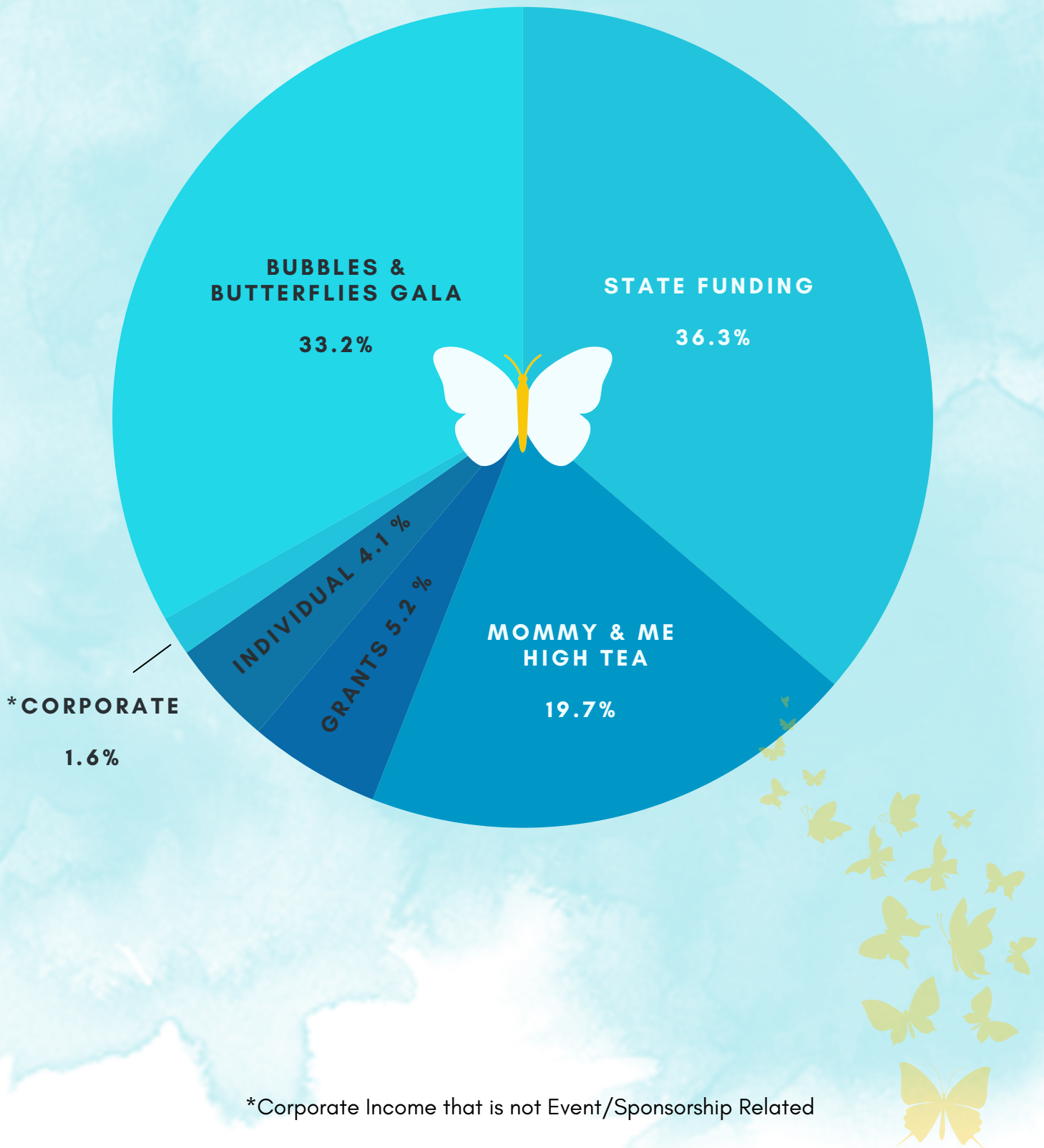
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS



# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

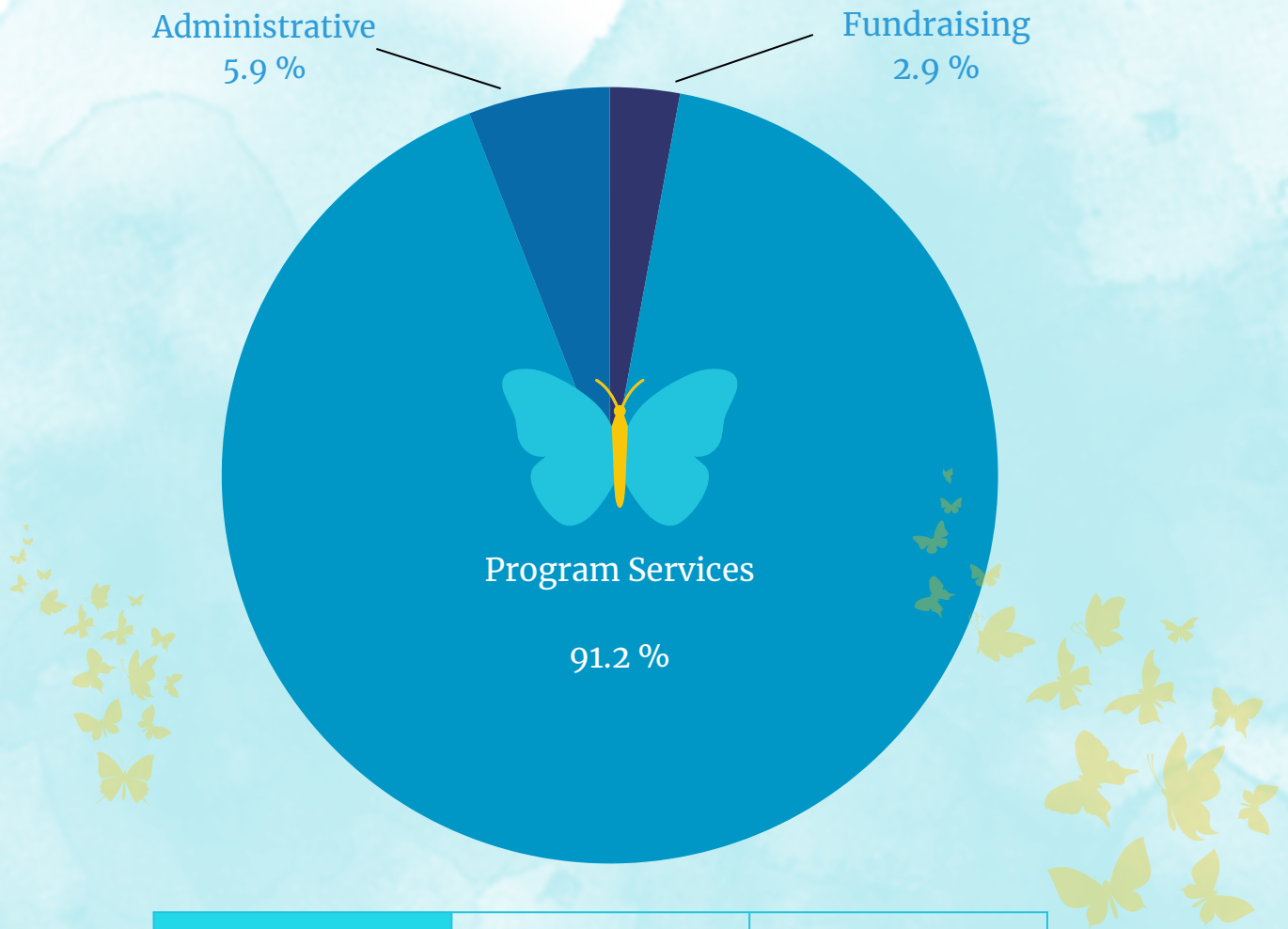
## INCOME DIVERSIFICATION





## FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

### PROGRAM EFFICIENCY RATIO



Revenue		
	State Funding	\$257,922.00
	Private Contributions	\$331,581.00
	Investment Income	\$75.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$589,578.00</b>
Expenses		
	Program Services	\$378,526.00
	General Admin	\$24,434.00
	Fundraising	\$12,070.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$415,030.00</b>

IRS FORM 990 AVAILABLE AT  
[IRS.GOV](https://www.irs.gov)



## HEAR FROM OUR GIRLS

“

I went to this place a while ago and it helped me so much. I found girls my age going through the same stuff and AMAZING women who will support you and stay by your side all the way. These women helped me realize how much I'm worth...! I used to think all the time that what happened to me was all my fault, but it's not. I had a great relationship with these ladies and still do. I want to do something with kids who have been through what I've been through, but a lot of these programs I won't work for because they are not really helping the child. I'm thinking about finishing school and working with Redefining Refuge and be a support system and help these young girls out then continue with school. I know I've said it so many times before, but thank you for being there for me, I love you all. - G.C.

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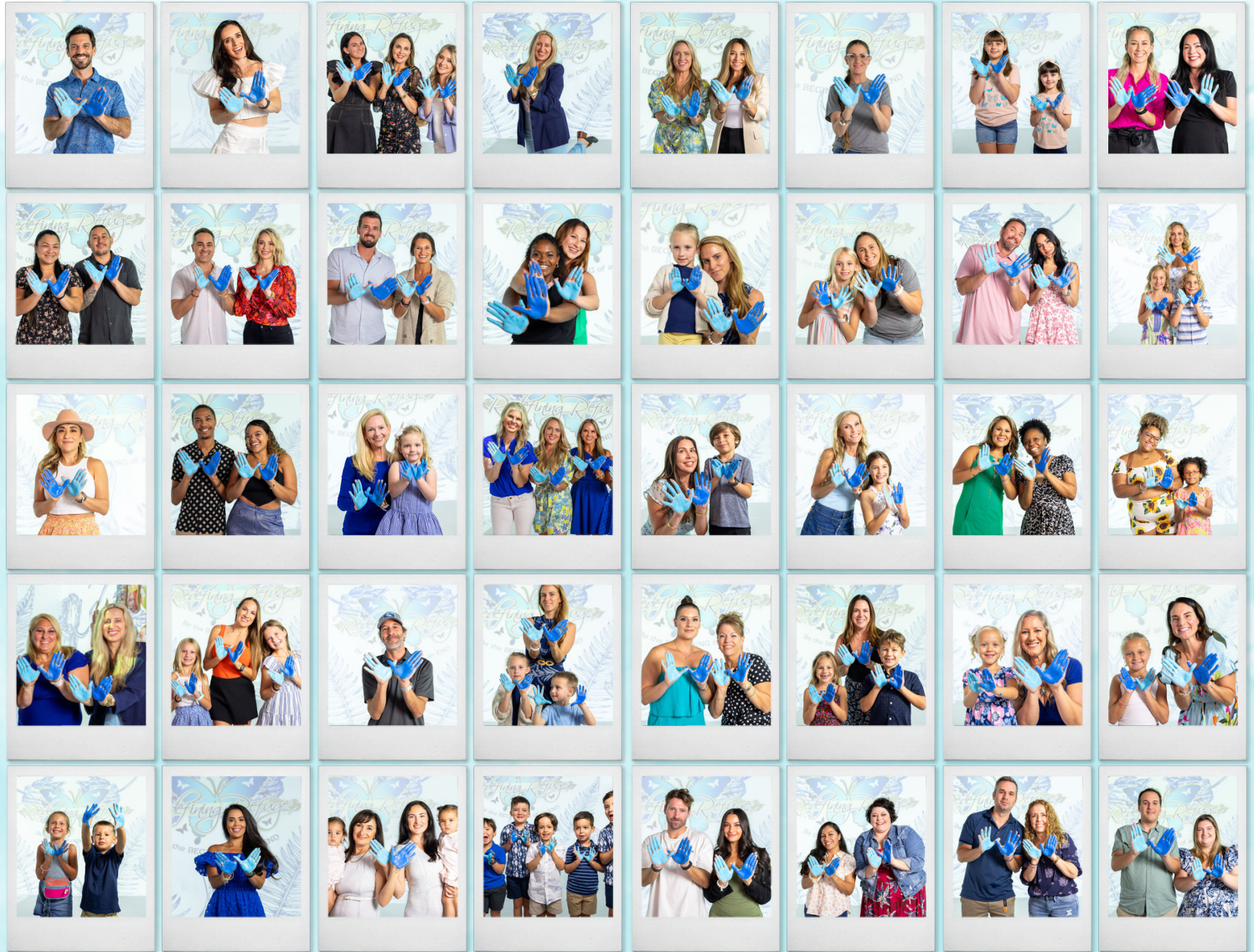
I wanted to take the time out and say I am very thankful for the four months I was with you. You provided me with the best love and always stood by your word... you never let me down once. This program is wonderful. - Z.B,





# World Day Against Trafficking

JOIN US TUESDAY JULY 30TH AT THE JCC 4PM - 8PM



All Hands On Deck

means everyone's participation or involvement is needed.

It signifies a call for collective effort, cooperation, and teamwork in the fight against Human Trafficking and everyone's skills, abilities, and contributions are necessary to successfully tackle this challenge.

It implies a sense of urgency, a unified effort, the importance of collaboration and the recognition that the task at hand requires the involvement of every available person.

**ALL HANDS ON DECK MEANS YOU!**

To learn more please visit [www.redefiningrefuge.org](http://www.redefiningrefuge.org)



**ALL HANDS  
ON DECK**



# CHANGE ONE THING | CHANGE EVERYTHING

## 9 WAYS YOU CAN HELP END TRAFFICKING



### KNOW THE SIGNS

Learn the red flags and indicators of trafficking



### REPORT A TIP

Contact the National Human Trafficking Hotline if you have any concerns about a potential trafficking situation. Call 1-888-373-7888, text HELP to BEFREE (233733), or email [help@humantraffickinghotline.org](mailto:help@humantraffickinghotline.org)



### SPREAD THE WORD

Share and display our All Hands On Deck Awareness Campaign in your community



### THINK BEFORE YOU SHOP

Consider how you shop and eat. Who made your clothes? Who prepared your food? Know which goods may be produced by child or forced labor



### VOLUNTEER LOCALLY

Visit <https://www.redefiningrefuge.org/get-involved/>



### STAY INFORMED

Sign up for our Newsletter and follow us on Instagram and Facebook



### REGISTER FOR TRAINING

Redefining Refuge provides tailored trainings to help professionals appropriately identify and address the needs of people impacted by Human Trafficking.



### USE YOUR SKILLS

Can you train or hire survivors? Reach out to potential local partners. Do you work in a school? Propose anti-trafficking protocols. Are you an attorney? Offer pro-bono services. Writing a story? Use media best practices.



### RAISE YOUR VOICE

Ask our Florida Representatives how they are addressing Human Trafficking.

# COLLABORATIVE COMMUNITY PARTNERS

13th Judicial Circuit Court of Florida  
Aspire Health Partners  
Benevity Community Impact Fund  
Camelot Community Care  
Children's Board of Hillsborough County  
Children's Home Network  
Children's Network of Hillsborough County  
Commission on Human Trafficking -  
Hillsborough County  
Community Foundation of Tampa Bay  
Created  
Crisis Center of Tampa Bay  
Department of Children and Families  
Department of Juvenile Justice  
Devereux Behavioral Health  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Florida Department of Law Enforcement  
Florida Guardian Ad Litem  
FREE Network  
Gracepoint Wellness  
Gulf Coast JFCS  
Heart Gallery of Tampa  
Heartdance Foundation  
Hillsborough County Public Defenders Office

Hillsborough County Sherriff's Office  
Horse Force Equine Assisted Therapy  
Instruments 4 Life  
Internal Compass Therapy  
Journey Forward Today  
Junior League of Tampa  
Justice Restoration Center  
Lutheran Services  
Mary Lees House  
Metropolitan Ministries  
More Too Life  
Shumaker, Loop and Kendrick, LLP  
St. Joseph's Behavioral Health  
St. Petersburg College - Center for Human  
Trafficking Awareness  
State Attorney's Office 13th Judicial Circuit  
SAFE in Tampa  
Stop the Movement  
Sylvan Learning Center  
Tampa Police Department  
Tampa Museum of Art  
University of South Florida Trafficking in  
Persons Lab







# Mommy & Me High Tea®

An Eventing Tampa Bay  
Signature Event

benefiting

MAY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

ARMATURE WORKS,  
TAMPA



The 7th Annual Mommy and Me High Tea is an exclusive Charity experience hosted for children to benefit children, and we are thrilled once again to be benefitting Redefining Refuge! This very worthy Cause is hard at work in our Community fighting the injustice of Child Trafficking\* We, along with Redefining Refuge believe that empowering young girls now, and strengthening connectedness of families is one of the best ways to prevent children from becoming potentially vulnerable victims in the future.

This warmly anticipated and memorable high-end Tea Reception will include hot and cold teas served in vintage crockery; paired with savory tea sandwiches and delectable desserts. A Fashion Show featuring clothing for Mommy and Me will be presented, and to make the day just that much sweeter, we have included Princess Experiences, Photo Opportunities, Live Entertainment, Creative Craft Stations, Silent Auction and more! Come dressed in your finest tea chic attire {hats, fascinators, gloves and pretty dresses are encouraged}

We look so forward to hosting you and your little ones and sharing some fun and empowering activities to build self-confidence, self-worth and character while emphasizing the importance of giving back to the Community.

\* Please note that this subject itself will at no time be broached during the event, but information will be privately and readily available for you as a parent upon request.

[WWW.MOMMYANDMEHIGHTEA.COM](http://WWW.MOMMYANDMEHIGHTEA.COM)

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# FLORIDA REPORT CARD ON CHILD AND YOUTH SEX TRAFFICKING

Issue			Grade	Score
	1. Criminal Provisions		<b>A</b>	<b>17.5</b> 17.5
	2. Identification of and Response to Victims		<b>D</b>	<b>18.5</b> 27.5
	3. Continuum of Care		<b>B</b>	<b>12</b> 15
	4. Access to Justice for Trafficking Survivors		<b>B</b>	<b>12</b> 15
	5. Tools for a Victim-Centered Criminal Justice Response		<b>A</b>	<b>9.5</b> 10
	6. Prevention and Training		<b>B</b>	<b>12</b> 15
<b>EXTRA CREDIT</b>		Youth		<b>2</b>
		Child Labor Trafficking		<b>5</b>
<b>OVERALL GRADE</b>			<b>B</b>	<b>88.5</b>
<b>TIER I</b>				

To better understand Florida's grade, access an in-depth analysis of its laws under the advanced legislative framework and review its historical progress by visiting [reportcards.sharedhope.org/florida](https://reportcards.sharedhope.org/florida).

# DEAR JOHN,

THE EXPLOITATION, BUYING, SELLING, AND  
ABUSE OF THE CHILDREN IN OUR  
COMMUNITY WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.

NOT ON 813 DAY. NOT EVER.

**NOT IN MY CITY.**

MAYOR JANE CASTOR



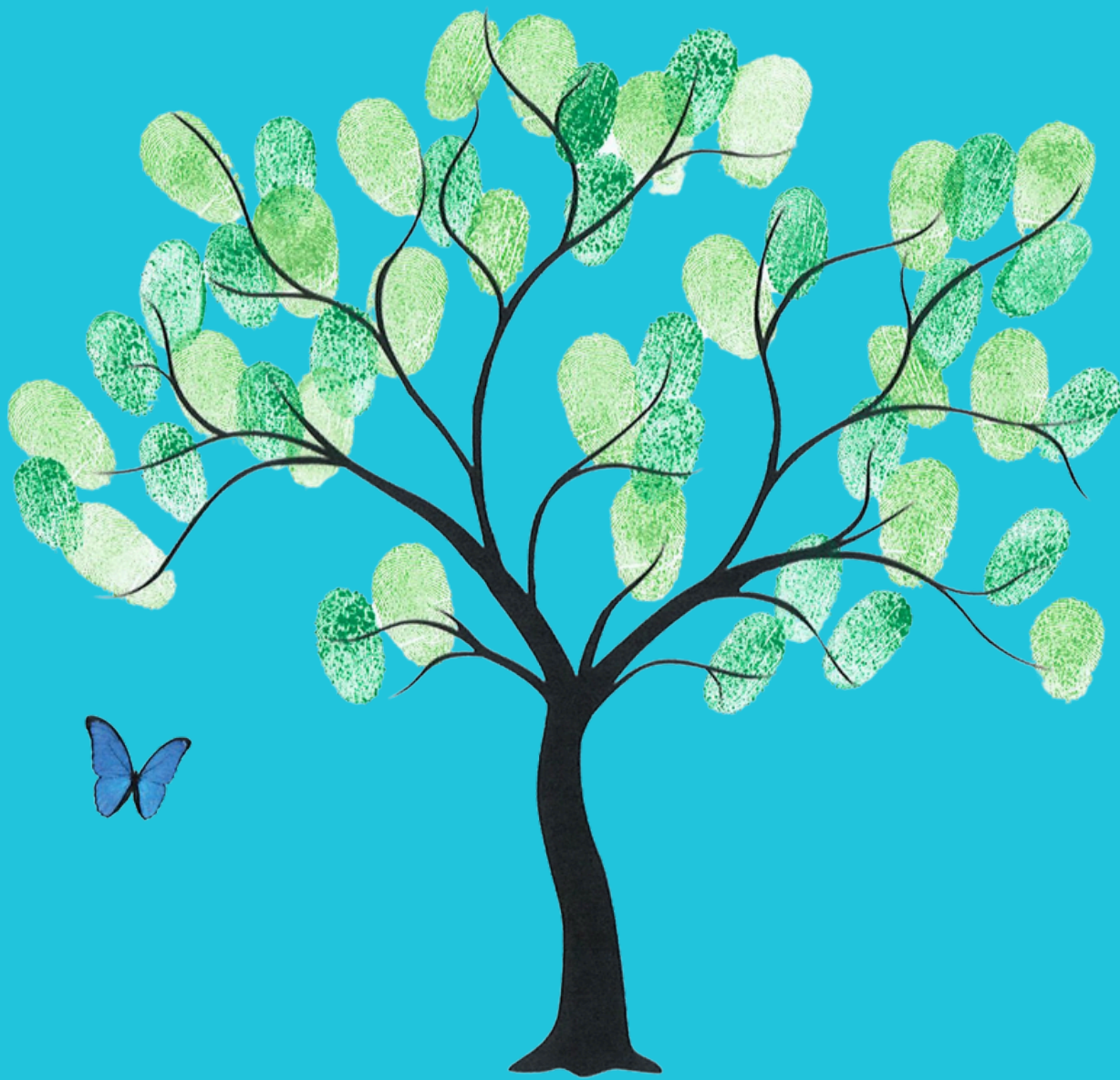
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IF YOU SUSPECT  
HUMAN TRAFFICKING,  
PLEASE CALL

1-888-373-3788





Thank you for giving me  
roots to grow and wings  
to FLY