

MAP OUT A PLAN TO SHUT DOWN AMERICA'S SLAVE ROUTE.

An initiative to pray on the 10th of every month at 10 am/pm for the eradication of trafficking on I-10.



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TRAFFIC ON I-10 IS INHUMAN.

In fact, the Department of Justice calls Interstate 10 a “super highway for human trafficking.” And no wonder. It’s essentially a coast-to-coast “slave route” for domestic traffickers. It’s also the closest east-west corridor from the U.S./Mexico border, the most common entry for international smugglers and traffickers.

www.tabc.state.tx.us/enforcement/trafficking_in_texas.asp

IT'S A GROWING CRIME.

Several crimes, actually. Smuggling is a crime against the U.S. border. Trafficking is a crime against a person by force, fraud, or coercion. And many victims are children under 18 who are trafficked for sexual exploitation. The problem is enormous – even worldwide, as this report from the Secretary of State details:

www.state.gov/g/tip/rls/tiprpt/2010/

IT'S HAPPENING ON OUR HOME STREETS.

Shared Hope conducted ten field assessments in targeted U.S. locations – six of them on or near I-10. The resulting national report “reveals the startling reality that American children are being recruited from our neighborhoods and sold on our streets!”

www.sharedhope.org/Resources/TheNationalReport.aspx

AND IT'S BORDERING ON EPIDEMIC.

The 1,969 miles of U.S./Mexico border pose another huge challenge. About 1,254 miles are in Texas alone, with the remaining 715 miles shared by California, Arizona and New Mexico. This represents countless opportunities for smugglers and traffickers to bring in human “shipments.”

WE HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO TO SOLVE IT.

Once traffickers hit I-10, they have access to 2,460 miles of unimpeded east-west travel. They also have fast connections to other routes – north, south, all directions. That’s why law enforcement and victim rescue efforts focus on the I-10 corridor.

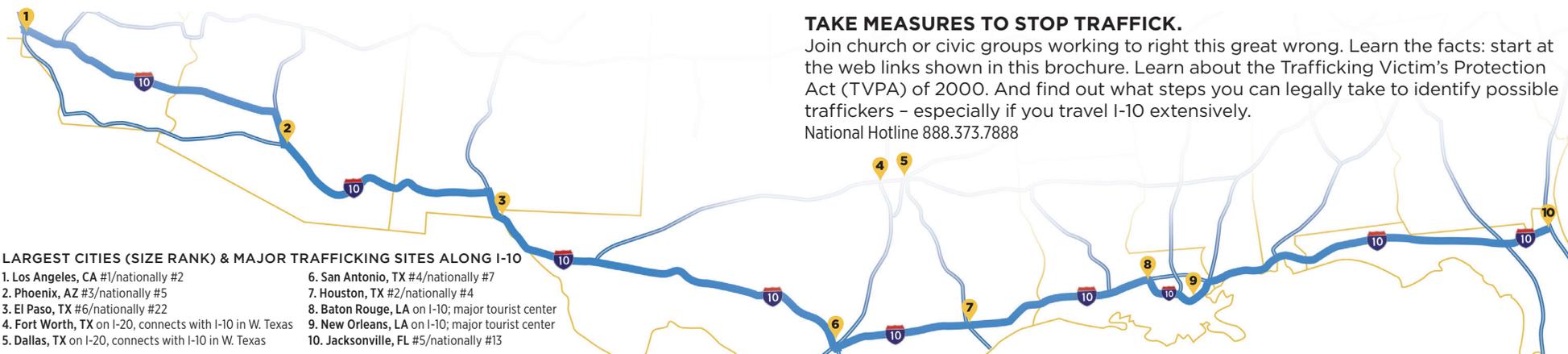
www.cole.state.la.us/programs/human_trafficking.asp

TAKE MEASURES TO STOP TRAFFICK.

Join church or civic groups working to right this great wrong. Learn the facts: start at the web links shown in this brochure. Learn about the Trafficking Victim’s Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000. And find out what steps you can legally take to identify possible traffickers – especially if you travel I-10 extensively.

National Hotline 888.373.7888

For resources on shutting down this slave route, visit traffickstop.org



If you suspect you have seen a trafficking situation, do not approach the victim. Call the national hotline at 888.373.7888.

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