SAFETY FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS
AN URGENT CALL TO ACTION

IMPACT OF COVID-19
Cast is forced to cancel its annual, “From Slavery to Freedom” gala - our most important fundraising event of the year that raises funds to ensure the safety and well-being of survivors of human trafficking. This public-health outbreak should not be the reason human trafficking survivors remain trapped.

Under Mayor Eric Garcetti’s new ‘Safer At Home’ Order, Cast is considered an “essential business.” As a First Responder, Cast is working on the frontlines and around the clock to protect human trafficking survivors and respond to the fear that is pervading our community.

We are now confronting a $750K shortfall while facing unprecedented demands from our community.

We thank you, our loyal community of supporters. We are reaching out to you with this urgent call to action to ensure that survivors are safe from the virus and their traffickers.

CALL TO ACTION
We are living in an unprecedented time. Victims of human trafficking are facing extreme barriers to safety, health services, housing, and employment. Because of the coronavirus, they are in grave danger.

IMMEDIATE IMPACT ON SURVIVORS
There has never been a time when survivors need us more. Sheltering in place is forcing victims to remain in unsafe places with traffickers - with limited ability to escape. Fear and social distancing are preventing them from accessing urgent health and housing services. We cannot turn our back on survivors at a time when they need us most. Survivors need our help now.

CAST’S RESPONSE
As the impact of the Coronavirus unfolds, we are taking every precaution necessary to ensure the safety and well-being of our staff and the survivors in our care. By adapting our programs to continue meeting the urgent needs of survivors, Cast remains on the frontlines:

- Around the clock emergency response on breaking cases through our 24-hour hotline.
- Getting survivors to immediate safety at our emergency and transitional shelters, with added safety measures to protect residents and staff.
- Increasing remote social and legal services to survivors using online apps for groceries and hot meals, financial assistance for those in extreme crisis, and hosting virtual social events to keep our at-risk youth connected.
- Remote emergency access to our immigration attorneys to ensure survivors know their rights.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?
MAKE A DONATION

Please give to our emergency relief fund today!
This public-health outbreak should not be the reason human trafficking survivors remain. With our annual fundraiser now postponed, we are confronting a $750K shortfall while facing an unprecedented increase in demand for our services. We call on you, our supporters, to join us as a community and show survivors they can count on us.