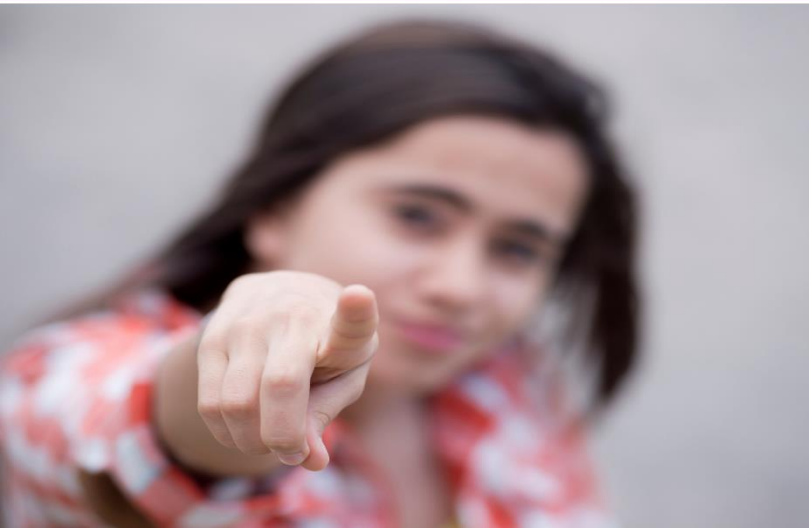


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# How Can You Help End Human Trafficking?

By now, you may be thinking, "I know about Human Trafficking in Wellington County, but how can I help? What can I do?"

There are a few ways you can help End Human Trafficking in your communities.

1) **Research Human Trafficking:** Know the signs of human trafficking, the risks & vulnerabilities, and the stages of Human Trafficking, for instance, the grooming and luring methods used by traffickers. Share this information with your friends, family, peers, coworkers, etc. Share posts from Human Trafficking social media pages on social media.

## Ontario Human Trafficking

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/ontarios-anti-human-trafficking-strategy-2020-2025>

## RCMP Human Trafficking

<https://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/en/human-trafficking>

## Government of Canada

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-safety-canada/campaigns/human-trafficking.html>

2) **Raise Awareness About Human Trafficking:** The reason there is sex trafficking is because there is a demand for it. Speak up for the women and girls who are exploited in the commercial sex industry and for the survivors who were able to come forward. Help end the stigma about sex trafficking by informing your peers about the misconceptions. Crime Stoppers Guelph

Wellington offers Human Trafficking presentations for those willing to learn. Get together a group of friends and family and request to set up a presentation time today. Talk about Human Trafficking in your community!

3) ***Know What the Government is Doing About Human Trafficking:***

Research what politicians are doing to focus on human trafficking on a municipal, provincial, and federal level. Reach out to them via email or social media (Twitter) and ask what they are doing to assist in ending Human Trafficking.

4) ***Be a Mentor:*** The most vulnerable of being trafficked are at-risk youth. Traffickers often target young people who are going through a difficult time or who lack robust support systems. As a mentor, you can be involved in new and positive experiences during a constructive time in that person's life. It's essential to be there for them and listen to their concerns.

5) ***Report It:*** If you suspect this is happening in your community or to someone you know, the best way to help them is by reporting it to your local police service.

## Resources for Victims of Human Trafficking

Are you a victim of Human Trafficking? Do you know a victim of Human Trafficking?

Here are a few resources if you are looking for assistance:

**1. Victim Services Wellington**

15 Wyndham St S, Guelph, ON N1H 4C6

519-824-1212 ext.7205

[www.vswguelph.on.ca](http://www.vswguelph.on.ca)

Safety Planning for Human Trafficking Victims, Victim Quick Response Program Plus, Victim Crisis Assistance Ontario.

## **2.Fergus Satellite Location**

Compass Community Services for Guelph-Wellington - Guelph - Main Location

900 Tower St S, Fergus, ON N1M 3N7

519-824-2431

1-800-307-7078

compasscs.org

Counselling for women who have experienced sexual assault.

## **3.Guelph Wellington Care and Treatment Centre for Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence**

Guelph General Hospital

115 Delhi St, Guelph, ON N1E 4J4

519-837-6440 ext 2728

[www.gghorg.ca](http://www.gghorg.ca)

Crisis services to people who have experienced sexual assault or domestic violence.

## **4.Anti-Human Trafficking Program**

Guelph-Wellington Women In Crisis

PO Box 1451, Guelph, ON N1H 6N9

519-836-1110

1-800-265-7233

gwwomenincrisis.org

Emergency shelter, counselling, accompaniment to appointments, court support.

## **5.Marianne's Place - Shelter / Residence Guelph-Wellington Women In Crisis**

PO Box 1451, Guelph, ON N1H 6N9

Mon-Fri 9am-5pm 519-836-5710

1-800-265-7233 (1-800-265-SAFE)

[www.gwwomenincrisis.org](http://www.gwwomenincrisis.org)

Emergency shelter for women and their children leaving abusive situations. Shelter for those experiencing physical, emotional, sexual, verbal, financial abuse and stalking or human trafficking.

## **6. Wellington County - Offices - Rural Women's Support Program Guelph-Wellington Women In Crisis**

PO Box 1451, Guelph, ON N1H 6N9

519-836-1110

1-800-265-7233

[www.gwwomenincrisis.org](http://www.gwwomenincrisis.org)

Support services for women and their children who are experiencing or have experienced physical, emotional, sexual, verbal, financial abuse, and stalking. Support for survivors of human trafficking.

## **7. Family Violence Prevention Program Woolwich Community Services**

5 Memorial Ave, Elmira, ON N3B 2P8

519-669-5139

1-800-661-7918

[www.woolwichcommunityservices.org](http://www.woolwichcommunityservices.org)

Support for those experiencing or have experienced a controlling or abusive relationship. Those seeking assistance can receive ongoing individual support. The support may include education, safety planning, and options available to make informed decisions. Referrals to other community services, including housing, financial, therapeutic counseling, and legal support, are available.

## **8. Elora House**

Email: [elorahouse-staff@ercf.ca](mailto:elorahouse-staff@ercf.ca)

Phone: 519-710-2176

Hours: Monday to Friday 8 am - 4 pm

Elora House is located in a confidential location and offers safe accommodations, supportive programming, and restorative care.

## **9. Canadian Human Trafficking Hotline**

1-833-900-1010.

Confidential Hotline 24 hours a day, seven days a week in more than 200 languages. All calls are personal and answered by highly trained Hotline Response Advocates.

This document was produced for the purpose of creating awareness about Human Trafficking in Wellington County.

If you are aware of someone who is trafficking individuals, report it to the Wellington County OPP at 1-888-310-1122.

If you wish to remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers Guelph Wellington on their website [www.csgw.tips](http://www.csgw.tips), or you can also call and leave an anonymous tip at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). If your information leads to an arrest, you may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

Victims of Human Trafficking are encouraged to seek support from Victim Services Wellington via email at [victim@vswguelph.on.ca](mailto:victim@vswguelph.on.ca) or by calling (519) 824-1212 Ext. 7304.

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