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### **NCJW ENDORSES HUMAN TRAFFICKING DAY**

As a member of the New Jersey Coalition Against Human Trafficking, National Council of Jewish Women Bergen County Section endorses the importance of Human Trafficking Day on January 11, 2016.

This is not the first time NCJW BCS has joined the fight against Human Trafficking. In 2013, NCJW held a forum, "Human Trafficking – Modern Day Slavery," which was particularly timely because, shortly afterwards in January 2014, the Super Bowl was held in New Jersey. Human trafficking became more widely acknowledged, and efforts were put into place to prevent trafficking at this major event.

Unfortunately, human trafficking continues to exist on a large scale. \$35 billion is generated in annual profits by the trafficking industry and it is estimated that 244,000 American children are at risk of child sexual exploitation. The numerous shopping malls in Bergen County are considered prime "hunting grounds" for traffickers.

January 11, 2016 has been declared Human Trafficking Awareness Day., NCJW BCS is taking a stand on this vital issue of modern day slavery by working with the Coalition to raise awareness in the community and by asking local rabbis and mayors to address the issue.

For more information, please visit the NJ Coalition Against Human Trafficking website (<http://www.njhumantrafficking.org/>). The **National Human Trafficking Hotline is 1-888-373-7888**. For more information on NCJW BCS and its upcoming programs, please visit <http://www.ncjwbc.org>.

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