

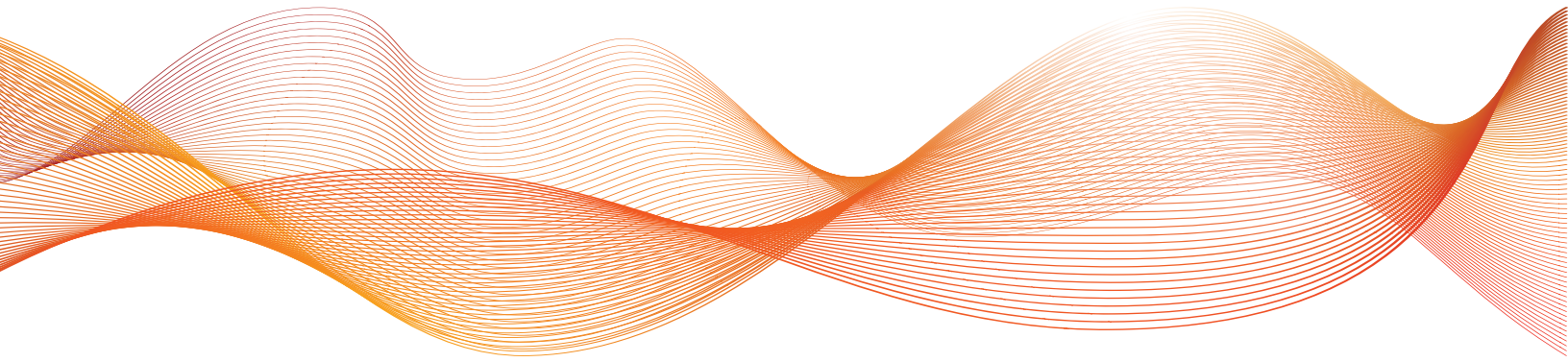
She has
never heard
you play,
**but she's
your
biggest fan.**

Her rescue and freedom begins with your “yes”

Destiny  **Rescue**[®]
RESCUING CHILDREN

“I am so thankful
to Destiny Rescue
for taking me out
of the darkness
and giving me a
bright future.”

SURVIVOR, RESCUED AT AGE 15



Thank you for using your voice

to rescue kids from sexual exploitation and human trafficking

God has used the Destiny Rescue Artist Speaker Program to rescue thousands of kids from the horrors of trafficking.

Right now, children are waiting for rescue, and your voice can be the difference. Thank you for choosing to use your platform to open the door to their freedom.

Everything you need along the way—including this Welcome Guide, the Appeal Guide, rescue and freedom numbers, survivor stories, videos and presentation slides—can be accessed in the **Artist Media Library** specifically curated for equipping our artists: destinyrescue.org/artist.

For reordering materials such as Rescue Partner packs, envelopes, pens, forms, etc., you can visit destinyrescue.org/materials.

Questions? Reach out any time to our Vice President of Artist Relations at Kris.Thompson@destinyrescue.org.

This guide covers two of the most important topics to empower you as a partner with Destiny Rescue: (1) the importance of your stage appeal and (2) understanding the mission and work of Destiny Rescue.



The appeal

Your appeal about Destiny Rescue from the stage is crucial—this is what inspires your audience members to take action.

It is very important to understand what you can and cannot say from stage in order to represent the work of Destiny Rescue accurately.

Enclosed with this Welcome Guide is the Artist Appeal Guide, which includes an appeal checklist, example structure and more for your reference as you craft your appeal.

We ask you to please read through the Appeal Guide in order to craft the most effective appeal possible for your audience that represents our work honestly and powerfully.



About Destiny Rescue

It is vital that you understand the mission and work of Destiny Rescue in order to share with accuracy and answer questions as they arise. We ask that you read through the following to equip yourself and fuel your passion.

The problem.

- Over one million children are estimated to be trapped in commercial sexual exploitation today ¹
- Human trafficking is the third-largest crime industry in the world, generating an estimated \$150 billion annually, only after drug trafficking (estimated to generate \$320 billion annually) and counterfeiting (estimated to generate \$250 billion annually) ²
- Of the \$150 billion human trafficking generates each year, the commercial sex trade sector generates about \$99 billion³ (remaining \$51 billion generated from forced labor and other types of trafficking)

DEFINITIONS

Human Trafficking includes forced labor, other forms of trafficking and the trafficking of individuals in transit.

Sexual Exploitation is the abuse of power, trust or someone's position of vulnerability to obtain or monetize sex acts.

¹ Source: 2021 Global Estimates of Modern Slavery published by the International Labour Organization

² Source: Transnational Crime and the Developing World published by Global Financial Integrity in 2017

³ Source: International Labour Organization, 2014

Who is Destiny Rescue?

- **Mission: to rescue children from sexual exploitation and human trafficking and equip them to stay free**
- Vision: To play a leading role in ending the sexual exploitation and trafficking of children in our lifetime
- A Christian, international nonprofit founded in Thailand in 2001
- Thousands have been rescued, and hundreds of perpetrators have been arrested worldwide *(you can see the most recent rescue and arrest numbers at the top of the Artist Media library, and you will also receive Artist Connection emails throughout the year with year-to-date rescue and freedom numbers and all-time numbers)*

Where does Destiny Rescue work?

Destiny Rescue works in multiple continents, regions and nations around the world.

Our **Support Offices** raise awareness, funds and talent to empower the mission. This includes **the United States, Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom.**

We actively rescue children in multiple **Rescue Nations** in **five regions** across **Asia, Africa** and **Latin America.** We're constantly being proactive and strategic about starting rescue projects in new locations. To see our current Rescue Nations, visit destinyrescue.org/where-we-work or scan the QR code.

To protect staff and survivors, our work in certain countries must remain undisclosed in public media.



How are children rescued?

Our agents work tirelessly using a variety of tactics to find exploited children and then remove them from harm, at times in collaboration with law enforcement.

Tactics to locate exploited children could include:

- Undercover or online investigations
- Canvassing and building trust within high-risk communities
- Conducting interviews at trafficking hotspots
- Acting upon information brought to us by individuals or agencies

Once found, each rescue can look very different depending on the situation at hand, but our most common rescue operation types are:

Raids and Law Enforcement Collaboration

Rescue teams participate in case-building and rescue operations in collaboration with law enforcement.

Covert Operations and Rapport Building

Covert agents work undercover, or field agents work in high-risk communities to build trust, then rescue children trapped in exploitation.

Border and Trafficking Route Monitoring

Rescue agents monitor routes out of the country, stop and interview travelers and rescue individuals from active trafficking situations.

How are children equipped to stay free?

Post-rescue, a survivor's next steps are determined based on his or her unique situation, including the vulnerabilities that led to exploitation and local legal procedure.

A survivor's next steps follow one of three paths:

- **Enrollment** in an individualized Destiny Rescue Freedom Plan™ implemented in one of our residential homes or through our Community Care program, which enables the child to live at home, when confirmed safe to do so, while participating in services. Freedom Plans include health checks, trauma resilience training and economic empowerment solutions.
- **Reunification** with family, which may include international travel, accommodation curation and assistance with legal documentation. In some cases, we can follow up with survivors in the months after reunification.
- **Entrusted** to government agencies and their standard processes or another local organization offering appropriate services. Follow-up in these circumstances is limited as organizations and governments work to protect children and their privacy.

Does Destiny Rescue only rescue children?

Our primary mission and focus is to rescue children.

Although we are not actively looking for adults who are being trafficked, we often rescue individuals who are 18 years of age or older while in pursuit of rescuing children. (For example, while in pursuit of rescuing a group of children via a raid, we may rescue a 19-year-old who is being abused alongside the children.)

How old was the youngest child rescued so far?

To date, the youngest child rescued from sexual exploitation was 17 months old.

Many babies and toddlers are also removed from vulnerable situations when we rescue their mothers from exploitation.

The average age of a rescued child is about 15 years old.

Does Destiny Rescue share the Gospel with survivors?

It's our goal to share the gospel and love of Jesus with every survivor who enters our care. We are intentional in protecting our teams and survivors who live in regions that have any level of hostility toward Christianity.

What is a Rescue Partner?

Anyone who commits to faithfully donating any monthly amount to help rescue children from sexual exploitation and human trafficking and equip them to stay free.

HOW ARE RESCUE PARTNER FUNDS SPENT?

Funds empower our rescue agents to search for children trapped in the sex industry and rescue them. These funds also help resource each Freedom Plan for the survivors who enroll in our reintegration programming.

Examples include: tactical gear, surveillance, immediate needs after rescue, vocational training, trauma rehabilitation, food, spiritual growth, etc.

WHY ANY MONTHLY AMOUNT?

Everyone's ability to contribute financially is different. For this reason, we want to give each individual who feels led by God the opportunity to respond with their best yes. Anyone can play a part in this fight!

Does signing up with a Rescue Partner packet mean you are sponsoring a specific child?

No. The children featured in the profile cards have already been rescued, but their true stories are similar to those of children Rescue Partners will help rescue and equip to stay free each month.



"I just want someone to believe me and protect me."

**SURVIVOR, AGE 15
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**

Want to learn more?

Make sure to explore the Artist Media Library at destinyrescue.org/artist equipped with resources catered to you such as survivor stories, videos and more.

Seeking more data or information about our work? Whether it be interest in a specific region or wanting to know more about Freedom Plans, we can provide you with more information to fuel your passion for rescuing kids.

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Media Library

Here are some recommended reads on trafficking:

- *Ending Human Trafficking* - Shayne Moore
- *Not For Sale* - David Batstone
- *Slavery Inc.* - Lydia Cacho
- *Sold* - Patricia McCormick
- *The Body Keeps the Score* - Bessel Van Der Kolk, M.D.

You may also enjoy these books focused on the biblical view:

- *Generous Justice* - Timothy Keller
- *Justice Awakening* - Eddie Blum

Thank you

for being the difference for kids.





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