## **OLIVE CREST**

Strong Families, Safe Kids

## **Transforming Lives Campaign**

THE SANTA BARBARA HOPE REFUGE CAMPUS



Olive Crest is dedicated to preventing child abuse by strengthening, equipping, and restoring children and families in crisis... "One Life at a Time."®

## THIS IS HEARTBREAKING

Today, approximately **325,000 children are commercially sexually exploited each year in the United States!** The average age of these victims? **12-14 years old.** Of the 4,000 children and families Olive Crest serves every day, approximately:

- 10% have been entrapped into human sex trafficking,
- over 50% have been approached, and
- 100% are targeted as high risk.

Young girls like Delilah, who at 15 years old, grew up in a dysfunctional, unstable home, was highly vulnerable. Problems at home caused her to escape the sad realities of her life by regularly running away from home. While on the streets, she found herself being groomed by a sexual predator for sexual exploitation without even knowing she was being tricked. She thought she could trust the "new friend" she met. But the goal was really to take advantage of her. Thankfully, Delilah found Olive Crest where she was greeted with authentic love, care, and support she so desperately wanted. Luckily, she was able to rewrite her future. But what if she, like hundreds of other sex trafficked teenage girls, had never found Olive Crest?

For young women over 18 years old, who are trapped in the ugliness of human sex trafficking, there are many safe houses and places to go to escape. But minors have nowhere to go, as these safe houses are not trained or licensed to work with them.

With only 511 beds available for minors who are victims of sex trafficking in the United States, the need is bigger than ever. But there is hope. You have the power to make a difference – you can save a young girl's life!



#### **The Horrific Facts**

- Human sex trafficking is the fastest growing criminal enterprise of the 21st century
- Gangs and other criminal enterprises have learned that the sex trade and prostitution provide higher profits with a lower penal and detection risk than drug or weapons trafficking
- Almost 75% of domestic sex trafficking victims have been in foster care
- It is estimated that 1 in 7 endangered runaways reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children were likely sex trafficking victims

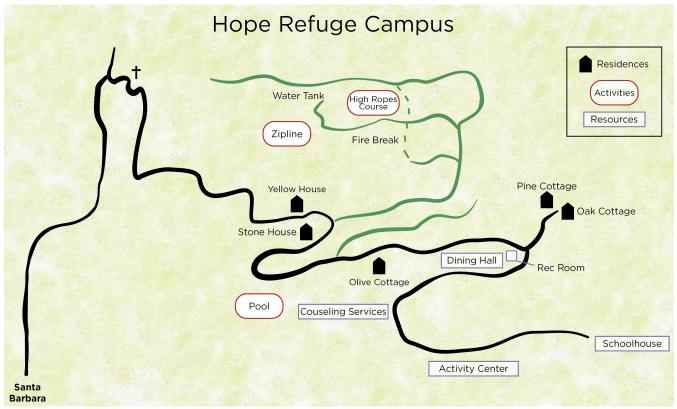
#### **BRING THEM HOPE** A FACILITY FOR RESTORATION AND HEALING

To address this tragic problem, Olive Crest expanded its comprehensive sex trafficking services in March of 2021. This expansion is highlighted by the acquisition of the Hope Refuge Campus. Located at the top of a secluded mountain in Santa Barbara, the campus serves sex-trafficked minor girls (ages 12-17) from all of California. The Hope Refuge campus provides an intensive six-month residential hope restoration program, providing resources for healing and a new life, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. To expand the number of children and families served, Olive Crest's Hope Refuge campus has 3 significant goals:

1. \$2.5 million to purchase this lifechanging facility

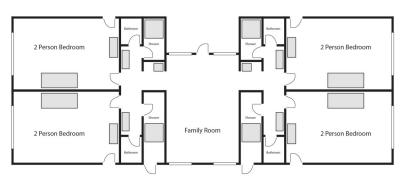
2. \$1 million for the renovation of this nearly 60-year-old campus

3. \$1 million endowment fund for future maintenance



Hope Refuge Site Map





*Cottage Bedroom* 

Example Residential Cottage Layout

## Our Life-Changing Investment Goal is \$4.5 million

\$2.5 Million<br/>Facility Purchase\$1 Million<br/>Renovations\$1 Million<br/>Endowment Fund

This \$4.5 million goal will allows us to acquire the facility, stabilize the campus, create a secure, restorative campus for young girls who have been in the most horrific situations imaginable, and sustain basic facility maintenance to continue to serve up to 30 girls annually.



### FUTURE PROGRAMS TO SERVE SANTA BARBARA

Once the campaign for Hope Refuge is complete, Olive Crest plans to introduce its programs and services to Santa Barbara County. One program growth opportunity is a Transitional Aged Youth program, a comprehensive service that will help high-risk youth forge pathways to economic opportunity and self-sufficiency.

Hope Refuge and this future Transitional Aged Youth program can only happen because of compassionate and generous people like you! Together we can save youth from the horrors and dangers of living alone on the streets and put them on the right path to success. You can save a life today. Thank you for caring!



#### Tried and True

In the last 50 years, Olive Crest has become a respected leader in the provision of prevention services and care to children and families, providing pathways of safety and hope to 200,000 children, youth, and families. Olive Crest has been on the forefront of combatting human sex trafficking with our comprehensive programs and trained staff and volunteers.

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