- Human trafficking affects every community in the United States across age, gender, ethnicity, and socioeconomic backgrounds.
- Human trafficking occurs in both rural and urban areas.
- Human trafficking exists in North Dakota and across the Midwest.

thuman Trafficking is the exploitation or sale of a person into commercial sexual servitude or forced labor.

- There are over 50 million people enslaved in the world today.*
- Human trafficking generates \$150 billion a year.*
- 1 in 6 cases of children reported missing in 2022 who had run away were likely victims of child sex trafficking.**

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*International Labor Organization **National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

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Human Trafficking Education & Survivor Leadership

Human Trafficking Awareness Education

Since 2015, 31:8 Project has focused on providing educational trainings and developing public awareness campaigns regarding human trafficking and its many related issues.

BRAVERY BACKPACKS

Over 200 backpacks were filled and distributed to North Dakota youth during the first year of the Bravery Backpack program.

Survivor Mentorship Program

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Survivors are paired with their own individual mentor
- Survivors set educational, financial, personal-growth, and professional goals
- Services are trauma-informed, comprehensive, culturally relevant, and evidence based

WHO WE SERVE

Survivors of human trafficking

"For so long my only purpose was to survive and fulfill the needs of others.

I've been home for 15 years now and I've had to learn how to accept love. I missed out on a lot of milestones. I recently learned to drive, and I'm building my resume.

I never thought I was smart or worthy. But opening up has helped me understand that I can do things. I can be open and honest and have nothing to hide.

I have a family. I have a support system. I have the ability to understand my own self-worth."

- Nikki, Survivor Mentorship Program participant

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Virtual and in-person training
- Personalized curriculum
- Digital resources

WHO WE SERVE

- K-12 and College/University Students and Educators
- Law Enforcement Agencies
- Healthcare Providers
- Hospitality Industry Workers
- Social Service Providers
- Faith Groups, Professional Groups, & the General Public

31:8 Project is equipped to lead or collaborate with any group to provide educational training.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Backpacks are filled with hygiene products and comfort items for children in need of emergency assistance
- Law enforcement agencies and social service providers identify communities in need of *Bravery Backpack* donations
- Outside groups often partner with 31:8 Project to collaborate on *Bravery Backpack* drives to collect supplies and distribute

WHO WE SERVE

• Youth ages 2-17