



Blanket Fort Hope

What is a Blanket Fort

Remember when you were little and you made a blanket fort using blankets, pillows, and chairs? They represent imagination, security, and fun. Our Blanket Fort is named HOPE! We are a fortress of safety for children!

Definition of Fort

A strong or fortified place occupied by troops and usually surrounded by walls, ditches, and other defensive works; a fortress; fortification.

Facts about Child Trafficking

- Human trafficking is the fastest growing crime in America
- Human trafficking is the second largest crime in America
- The two main types of trafficking are sex trafficking (exploitation through sex) and labor trafficking (exploitation through labor)
- An estimated \$32 billion industry
- The average age of entry is 11-14
- With an average life span of 7 years, child victims die due to HIV, drugs, STD's, starvation, and rape

What is the Mission of Blanket Fort Hope

The mission of Blanket Fort Hope is to love and care for child trafficking victims through housing, services, and long-term commitment to the children, and to prevent children from becoming victims by educating children, and professionals who work with children, about human trafficking.

Why Blanket Fort Hope

Our organization is unique because it is dedicated solely to caring for child trafficking victims and providing human trafficking prevention education to children and professionals who work with children. We believe strongly in collaboration. Education and Prevention will end trafficking. Housing will heal. It is imperative we help these children early!

What is Advocacy

- Advocacy is about ordinary people, like you and me, coming together and taking action to shift the balance of power toward justice
- Change happens when we demand it
- Alone we may feel powerless, but together we have great impact
- You are now an advocate, and we encourage you to go be a difference maker for children