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18th Annual Soroptimist STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING Walk & Speaker Panel AWARENESS - EDUCATION - ADVOCACY

**Saturday, January 11, 2025
Columbus Hall**



**A Community Awareness Event presented by
Soroptimist International of
Camarillo, Oxnard, Ventura, and Channel Islands**



Soroptimist Mission Statement

Soroptimist International transforms the lives and status of women and girls through education, empowerment and enabling opportunities.

The principles of Soroptimist are to strive for:

The advancement of the status of women;
High ethical standards;
Human rights for all;
Equality, development and peace;
The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace.

Soroptimists' signature project is Live Your Dream: Education and Training Awards for Women® which assists women who provide the primary source of financial support for their families by giving them the resources they need to improve their education, skills and employment prospects. Each year, nearly \$1.9 million in education grants are awarded to more than 1,300 women, many of whom have overcome enormous obstacles including poverty, domestic violence, trafficking, death of a spouse, and/or drug and alcohol abuse. Our name, 'Soroptimist' is a coined phrase from the Latin 'soror' and 'optima,' meaning best for women. Soroptimist are truly women at their best, who are doing their.....

"Best For Women"

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If you or someone you know needs information or help, contact:

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www.icfs.org

Human Trafficking Response Hotline:
(800) 636-6738

Forever Found- 805-306-8018

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Rafael Magana
OUR Rescue



Rafael Magana serves as the Major Gift Officer for California at OUR Rescue, where he plays a critical role in securing funding for rescue missions, survivor care, and global awareness initiatives to combat human trafficking. With a deep commitment to advocating for vulnerable populations, Rafael has been working to end human trafficking since 2007, bringing nearly two decades of experience to this vital cause.

Rafael's expertise is backed by specialized certifications, including those from the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), the University of Michigan's Human Trafficking Clinic, FEMA's Trafficking Prevention and Disaster Response, and Human Trafficking for Healthcare Frontline Staff. His knowledge and dedication make him a trusted representative for OUR Rescue, inspiring audiences to take action in the fight against human trafficking and exploitation.



The mission of the STOP Human Trafficking Committee- SI Camarillo, Oxnard, Ventura, and Channel Islands- is to raise community awareness that human trafficking is not just a global problem, but a local one.

Community Walk

Community Partners' Presentations

Laurie Spooner-Abraham

Welcome

Kay Armstrong, SI Ventura

Detective Ash'lee Gray- VPD

JuliAnn Laufer, SI Channel Islands

Rikole Kelly- VC Deputy District Attorney

Sharon Edwards, SI Camarillo

Rafael Magana- OUR Rescue

Kathy Morgan, SI Ventura

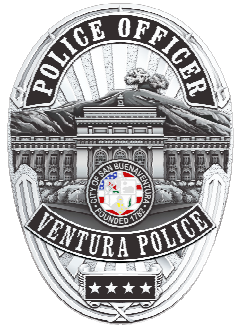
Q & A

Ilya Vita, SI Channel Islands

Close

Debbie Gohlke, SI Oxnard

Detective Ash'lee Gray
Ventura Police Department
Special Victims Unit



Detective Ash'lee Gray grew up in Ventura CA. She is 29 years old and has been a police officer with the Ventura Police Department since 2019. She is currently a Detective in the Special Victims Unit. Her duties include investigating child and adult sex crimes, domestic violence, child abuse and human

trafficking. In addition to being a detective, Detective Gray is on the Crisis Negotiation Team and a drone operator.



Rikole Kelly
Deputy District Attorney
County of Ventura



Rikole Kelly has a decade of experience as a prosecutor, Rikole Kelly is a passionate advocate for justice and the protection of vulnerable populations. Currently serving as the Family Justice Center prosecutor in Ventura County, she provides direct support to victims of violent crime, conducts community outreach, and oversees new initiatives for survivors.

Prior to this role, Rikole honed her skills prosecuting a wide range of cases, from misdemeanors to homicides, with a specialization in human trafficking. Her work alongside the Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force and the FBI Child Exploitation Task Force underscores her commitment to combating human trafficking and sexual exploitation.

Ms. Kelly was a speaker in 2023 and we are very excited to have Rikole back.

