

HUMAN

TRAFFICKED:

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*Black Woman
Tales*

**What systems will change
once human trafficking is
taken seriously?**

BROOKLYN'E SPRAGGINS

Hon trafficking Affects Her Daily Life

My Mission:

MY MISSION IS TO ENSURE THAT PEOPLE KNOW WHAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS, HOW IT IS AFFECTING THE WORLD RIGHT NOW, AND WHAT AFFECT IT WILL HAVE IN THE FUTURE IF NOTHING CHANGES.

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First and foremost...

Human trafficking victims have always been dear to my heart. Being that I know of quite a few cases where people have been sexually abused, and it's always stuck with me.

Even the thought of knowing anyone that I know, or even myself has a pretty high chance of being human trafficked is what scares me. But it also forces me to learn more about the topic and educate myself and the people around me about it the best way I know how.

I don't feel like human trafficking is talked about enough at all. Especially when it's literally all around us, and it's not something we can really run from.

But I do know the last thing I want to do is to keep allowing it to go on around me, and not at least take the time to make someone aware of what is going on.

Something's got to give!

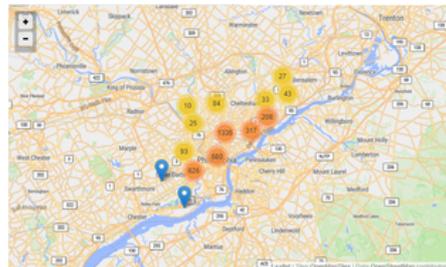


Top news of the month

"Trafficking is... inherently discriminatory."

-Former UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mary Robinson

"Another group particularly vulnerable to human trafficking is children who enter the foster care system. This is largely due to the compounding risk factors commonly experienced by children in foster care, including unstable care environments and homelessness. Around 23% of children in foster care in 2019 were Black, despite representing only 14% of the population."



"there were 3,509 registered sex offenders living in Philadelphia as of October 20, 2022. The ratio of all residents to sex offenders in Philadelphia is 447 to 1"

Read more: <https://www.city-data.com/so/so-Philadelphia-Pennsylvania.html>



Recent Unjust Case of Human Trafficking:

Piper Lewis
17 years old

This Piper Lewis, a 17 year old girl who was human trafficked in Iowa. And is currently facing a prison sentence as well as fine for stabbing her abuser to death.

She has been sentenced to about 5 years of imprisonment, as well as a hefty fine of \$150k. As well as probation.

This case is one of the many cases that sparked me wanting to do this topic for this project.

It only makes me think of what could have happened to her or other kids, had she not killed him.

Would he have been found and taken to prison? Face a death sentence? Continue to endanger the lives of other young girls?

One good thing has come out of this. A gofundme was established for her where about \$500k was raised for her. So that's one less she and her family should have to worry about.

LATEST STORY:

THE TALE OF A BLACK GIRL WHO'S BEEN TRAFFICKED

We talk about the 5 stages of
grief

Denial

Anger

Bargaining

Depression

And Acceptance

But I don't think we talk enough
about the anger and guilt we endure
on a daily bases

Sometimes so much guilt and
anger that making a subtle move
would cause us to explode like an
angry bird, and itnt flames

The survivor's guilt of knowing I got out
alive while many others didn't eats me
alive

The anger of knowing this industry
makes about 150 billion dollars a
year

"150 billion dollars"

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These thoughts rang through my mind

How could so many people be so cruel

Money is more important to you than
the wellbeing of your daughter?

The psychological trauma I face daily is
real

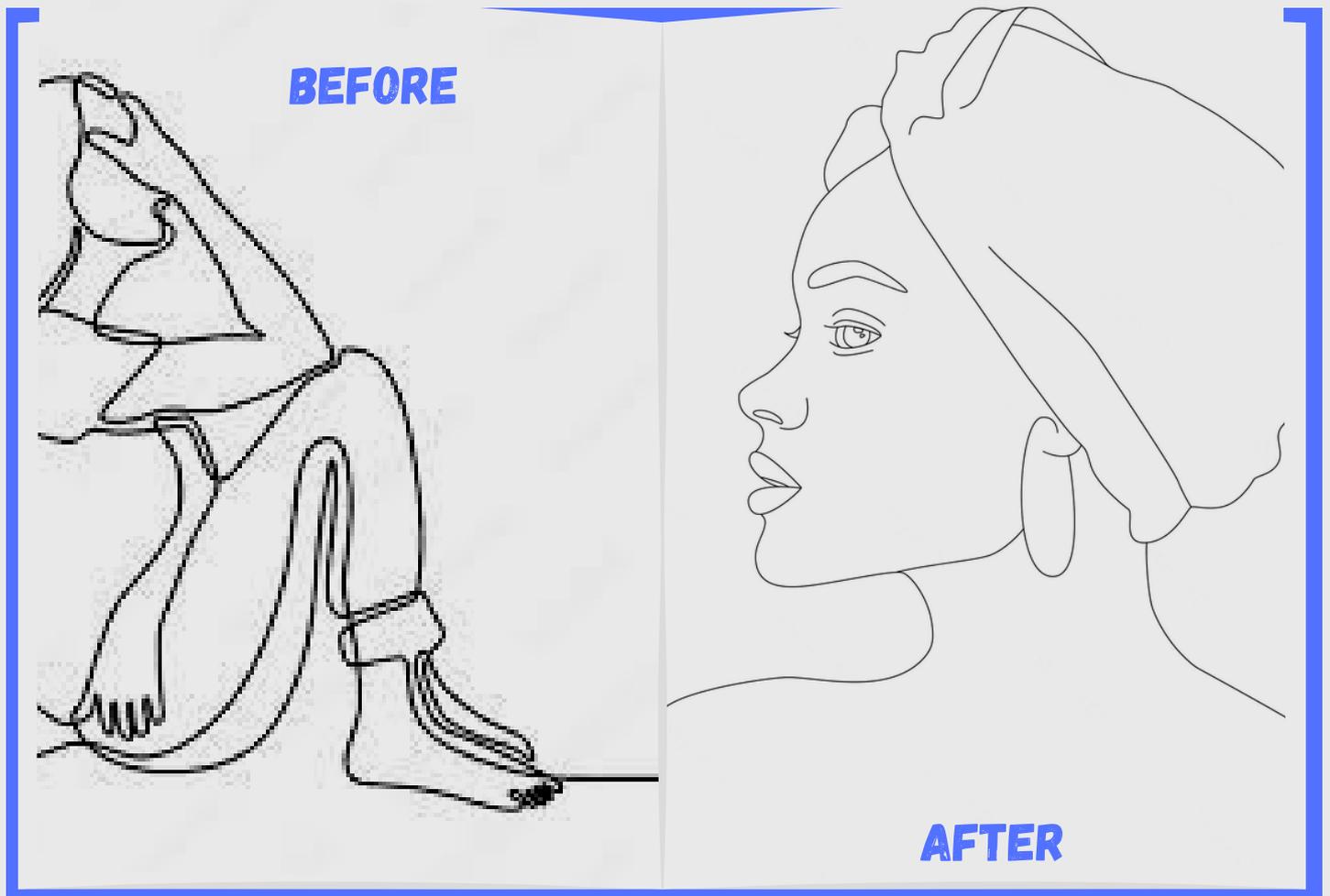
But so is capitalism

We need to start allowing ourselves not
to get so wrapped up in how we can
capitalize on every situation

-FOCUS-

P.S little black girl-I love you

And though she be but little she is fierce.
-William Shakespeare



*This too shall pass!
I got you girl!*

You grow through, what you go through!

DEBRA AYIS

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Her life is fairly private, but she is still very active in interviews, social activism, and writing and publishing. With her most recent publications being *I See You*, and *Little Hands*. Both were published early September of this year via the *Agape Review*.

SHE LIVES

by Debra Ayis

She'd forgotten how to smile

She looked into the mirror

Urging her muscles to remember the pattern

Her fingers edged her cheeks upward

Tracing the outline of what she sought.

She clawed into the depths of her soul

Into the darkness that plagued her

She searched for a marble

A sparkle of joy and light

They had put her down,

Stripped her of her purity

Chartered her like an object

Sold her to the highest bidder

Her identity lost in more ways than one.

She'd survived, she'd escaped.

She rebuilt,

A new identity, a brave voice

Fighting for the voiceless

Protecting the innocent

Past the hate, anger, and nightmares

Building on precious lost years

Healing from within

Telling the world her story

Learning about love and happiness

Walking out in freedom

Embracing life as the sun rises at dawn

Like a dead seed sprouting to life,

She is gradually moving past her horror

Learning to find her smile again



Awards Include:

'Talent for Writing'-U.K (06)

'Talent for Writing'-U.K (07)

2010 National Writing Competition (Poetry Category) on
Nigerian Women

International Literacy Day Winner-U.K (2011)

.WeDeliverPeriod.-U.S(2019)