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## This Week:

Human trafficking is a growing problem that takes advantage of the young and vulnerable. Would you believe that the average age of entry into prostitution is 12 to 14. Something needs to be done and in San Bernardino, something is being done. Karen Bell, chief deputy district attorney of San Bernardino County District Attorney is in charge of the county Coalition Against Sexual Exploration or CASE. CASE was formed to work with law enforcement, prosecutors, service providers, and the public on how to intervene, educate, prevent and suppress human trafficking.

Case uses a two-pronged effort to arrest, imprison, fine, and seize questionable assets from those who prey on minors, and at the same time provide support to those minors through juvenile placement facilities, residential facilities placement, and other social services as well as providing training and education.

Chief Bell has been a county employee for 35 years but not always as a prosecutor for the District

Attorney's Office. Before receiving her law degree, she worked as a group supervisor in Juvenile Hall and later as a probation officer.

## Next Week:

Sandi Sawyer from Operation Homefront, a non-profit organization which provides emergency financial and other assistance to the families of our service members and wounded warriors, will be our guest speaker.

## Last Week:



Wow, what a young lady! Natalie Cook has traveled many parts of the world to volunteer, but none has a more profound effect on her than her recent trip to Kolkata, India. She was there working with World Made Flesh to help vulnerable women find alternative employment other than working in the sex industry. Sari Bari was formed by WMF to offer freedom and employment to women who stuck in the sex trade and

to provide an opportunity to women who are vulnerable to trafficking. These women were trained to make beautiful household products such as blankets and scarves. Each product is unique because it's hand sewn and it's marked with the name of the woman who made it. Natalie has a big heart filled with wonderful spirit. We can use more people like her to make this world a better place.

**This is IT!** Our annual **FUN RUN** is this Sunday at South Hills HS. We need every Rotarian to be there to help out. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year. Don't forget to invite everyone you know. The more, the merry of course!



"Are we having fun yet?!"

