

February Ways and Means

For the month of February we would like to support the non-profit organization **Refuge for Women** by helping them with a Toiletry Drive. **Refuge for Women's** Denton facility and safe house provides specialized long-term care and recovery resources for North Texas women who have escaped human trafficking or sexual exploitation. **Refuge for Women** provides women up to twelve months of safe housing, at no charge to the resident, with around the clock care by trained professionals as residents progress through the recovery program. The **Refuge for Women** program offers crisis intervention, counseling, life skills training, education completion and job placement to help and support survivors change their lives.

According to the National Human Trafficking Hotline, the North Texas area is known to be a hub for human and sex trafficking. Texas ranks second in the country only behind California in number of cases and in Texas the Dallas-Fort Worth area has the greatest number of cases just behind Houston. Vulnerable groups are frequently targeted by traffickers, including troubled or runaway youth, the homeless, victims of domestic violence or sexual assault and minors and children through the internet.

Toiletry Drive for Refuge for Women: Items Needed

Hand soap
Body Wash
Shampoo and Conditioner
Body Lotion
PaperTowels
Dishwashing liquid
Laundry Pods
Trash bags
Kroger or Walmart Gift-cards
Gas Cards

Please help support the important work **Refuge for Women** is doing! Please bring your donation items to the February luncheon. **Thank you for your support!!!**

SNC Scholarship Fund

If you are catching up from the swirl of the holidays and haven't had a chance to make a contribution to the SNC Scholarship Fund as of yet it's not too late!! Checks should be made out to Southlake Newcomers Club Charitable Foundation or SNCCF and can be mailed to Lisa Hill at 9713 Arkose Drive, Denton, Texas, 76207. Your contribution will make a difference to local area students! Thank you so much to our members who have already contributed!!!