



## Oregonians Against Trafficking Humans (OATH)

High School, College and University Student OATH Club Guidelines

The organization pursues three principal objectives: **educating and creating awareness** in the school community about the issues of human trafficking; taking **action** to intercede on behalf of victims of human trafficking and modern slavery by participating in media campaigns (letter writing, on-line petitions, videos, movies, music, etc.) to send to local and national leaders; and **raising funds** to support activities and to make a significant contribution to a local and international organizations.

**Education:** Club members speak to students (social studies classes, assemblies, school newspaper) early in the first quarter to inform the students about the organization and its purpose. Partner and collaborate with human rights groups on events (e.g. Diversity, Multi-Cultural, Health, Model UN, Women's Resource Center) and use appropriate media for club activities and events, (posters, letters, brochures, videos and movies). Learn and share information on the major areas of human trafficking defined by the United Nations Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, and the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) 2000.

**Action:** Support human trafficking petitions and action notifications from change.org and non-governmental organization(s). During club meetings members write letters, op-ed articles, and make videos to send to appropriate newspapers, manufacturers and government officials on behalf of victims and survivors.

**Fundraising:** Usually every spring, (or sometime during the final quarter), the OATH club presents a final awareness event (include school musicians, artists and/or drama students) along with a presentation (power point, slide show, or poetry reading), focusing attention on the purpose of OATH. If permitted, during intermission food and OATH t-shirts are sold and future actions distributed.

### How to Set Up a Club at Your School

**Check** with the principal or student activities office to find out your school's requirement for setting up a new club.

- Get a **sponsor**, if one is required.
- **Register** the OATH club, and include a contact email address for interested students.
- **Educate Yourself:**
  - Take the OATH at [www.oregonOATH.org](http://www.oregonOATH.org)
  - Fan the OATH Facebook page at [facebook.com/oregonOATH](https://facebook.com/oregonOATH)
  - Follow OATH on Twitter [@oregonOATH](https://twitter.com/oregonOATH)
  - OATH brochure
  - OATH Human Trafficking 101
- **Effect change:**
  - Recruit members
  - Get permission to post notices announcing your new club around campus, and include a contact email address for interested students.
- **New Members:**
  - Request your email be added to the OATH event newsletter: [oregonOATH@gmail.com](mailto:oregonOATH@gmail.com)
  - Set up a communications system for all team members using email, Google-groups, cell phone numbers, weekly meetings etc.
- **Set Goals & Plan Your Activities:**
  - Make plans to raise funds.
  - Try to get your club sponsored by a local merchant(s).