Poverty and Human Trafficking
Ways to avoid or get rid of Poverty that leads to sex Trafficking:

- The main cause to Sex trafficking is lack of education and resources available to those that need it.
- Lack of opportunity for jobs.
- Social norms need to be modified so that not only men can provide for the family, but women as well.
- There are always solutions. There is a National Sex Trafficking hot line number, which is available, 24/7 and availed in 200 languages. 1(888) 373-7888

Traumas and people affected

Common types of sex trafficking:
- Pornography
- Outdoor soliciting
- Illicit massage
- Escort services
- Brothels

People Mostly affected:
- Women
- Young girls and boys

Anyone can fall victim to human trafficking. However, vulnerable populations who have little social and legal protection are the most at risk. The majority of victims are women—70 percent—and risk for women may be heightened further in areas where extreme gender discrimination prevails.

Interview:

Interviewee: Heidi Chance

Undercover cop for sex trafficking with the Phoenix Police department

What do you believe contribute to sex trafficking in the places you have been?
A: Little to no parenting, social media, and media in general glamorizing the world of ‘pimping’.

Does poverty play a role in sex trafficking?
A: No, not necessarily.

Do victims of human trafficking self-identify as a victim of a crime & ask for help immediately?
A: No, they do not and that is why we have undercover detectives that try to find them to rescue them.

Do victims come from low income?
A: Sometimes but I have never had victims come from rich areas too.

Q: What type of industries are involved in sex trafficking?
A: Sexually oriented businesses like massage parlors and strip clubs.

Q: What age range or sex is involved in sex trafficking?
A: No specific age range, males and females can be victims.
Solutions:
Solution Number 1:
As for a proposed solution establishing a nonprofit education system will allow women to pursue a proper primary education this will also include:

- Proper meals
- Day care for women who have children
- Counseling services

Solution Number 2:
Outreach on creating a system of equality for fighting the social norms of feminism due to the fact that in countries in which Sex Trafficking exist is where the social norms consist on having women below the men and are often times seen as objects.

- Goes along with creating a fundamental education system in which boys and girls attend school and not just boys.

Statistics:
Victims of sex trafficking acquire social disadvantages. Traffickers and/or pimps typically recruit potential victims that are economically and socially vulnerable.

- Happens in all 50 states, Americans are the largest producers of pornography
- Approximately 800,000 people are trafficked across international borders annually; 80% are women/girls and 50% are minors
- Global sex trade is the fastest growing form of commerce worth $32-37 billion
- Although Black women and girls represent only 7.2 percent of the U.S. population a US census in 2010 confirmed that 40% of women trafficked are Black women
- 54% of all trafficking victims were trafficked for the purpose of sexual exploitation

Rules and Regulations:
Arizona laws rule that it is illegal to recruit, entice or obtain any person with intent to force them into prostitution by fraud, coercion, etc.

Human trafficking laws and regulations:

- The victims of trafficking and violence prevention act (TVPA)
- The Customs and Facilitations and Trade Enforcement Reauthorization Act of 2009
- Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004
- PROTECT Act of 2003
- The Mann Act of 1910
- Civil Asset Forfeiture Reform Act of 2000 (CAFRA)

These laws address slavery, involuntary servitude and forced labor. Although, rules and definitions can vary greatly from state to state.