Diocese of Sandhurst Fair Trade Resources



Introduction

Make your parish/school/workplace/home slavery-free

It is estimated that over 40 million people globally are trapped in slavery or slavery-like conditions – one in four of them a child. Some of these are trafficked into slavery and others forced to work in appalling conditions for a pittance.

Much of the coffee and tea we drink, and the cocoa used in the chocolate we eat and drink, can be traced back to these children and adults working in conditions of slavery.

The decisions we make about what we buy can change this. By deciding to buy only products certified slavery-free, we can help eradicate child labour, forced labour and human trafficking and make a difference to the world.

Collaboration between ACRATH (Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans), Catholic Education Melbourne and the Victorian/Tasmanian Modern Slavery Taskforce, has developed this Resource Kit to help your parish/school/workplace/home begin the transition to a slavery-free environment.

What's in the kit?

- Catholic Social Teaching Why we should be slavery-free
- How to create a slavery-free staffroom
- Frequently Asked Questions
- What is certification and why?
- Sourcing guide for slavery-free tea, coffee and drinking chocolate
- Two case studies focusing on farmers in Peru and Ghana and the benefits of the slavery-free certification scheme
- Sample communications
- Poster (1) (which you can customise)
- Poster (2) (which you can customise)