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**Australian Catholic Religious
Against Trafficking in Humans**

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ACRATH Stands in Solidarity with Victim/Survivors of Modern Slavery

UN World Day Against Trafficking in Persons 30 July 2023

Modern slavery is on the rise in Australia despite progress in many areas. According to the Global Slavery Index report, the number of individuals living in modern slavery in Australia has more than doubled in the past four years. Shockingly, estimates from Walk Free suggest that there are currently 41,000 people living in slavery in Australia.

ACRATH is dedicated to eradicating modern slavery, specifically human trafficking, and addressing the harm it causes. Our efforts include providing support, advocating for victims and survivors of modern slavery, and raising awareness. With the approach of the [United Nations World Day Against Trafficking in Persons](#) on July 30, 2023, we are working to enhance public consciousness surrounding this issue. This year's theme, "Reach every victim of trafficking, leave no one behind," speaks to our dedication to ensure the support of the victim/survivors is at the heart of our work.

Melissa Halliday, ACRATH's Advocate Against Human Trafficking and Forced Marriage, in a recent [article](#) featured in Eureka Street, stressed the importance of continuous efforts to combat modern slavery.

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“There’s still much work to be done. Continued funding and collective effort from the anti-trafficking community will be vital, because effectively addressing, and ultimately eradicating, modern slavery will require a combined effort from all facets of society,” Melissa wrote.

We invite you to join us in our mission by taking action and getting involved. By subscribing to our [newsletter](#), you can stay informed about our important work and the latest developments in the fight against human trafficking. For more about this UN day on 30th July see: <https://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/endht/>

In addition, we encourage you to consider making a donation to our ongoing fundraising campaign. Your contribution will help ACRATH provide assistance to victim/survivors, raise awareness, and advocate for stronger legislation against human trafficking. [Donate now](#) and make a meaningful impact.

By fostering widespread community awareness, we can make a difference and spread the message that people are not for sale.

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