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IT'S STILL BIGGER THAN A DRESS

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF DRESSEMBER

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"IN THE LAST TEN YEARS, I've witnessed the transformative power of equipping and empowering individuals to advocate for the dignity and freedom of all. Your steadfast dedication to combating human trafficking has brought positive change to countless lives across the globe. Thank you for your vital role in building a world where all are free!"



—Blythe Hill, Founder

THE DRESSEMBER COLLECTIVE

Since 2017, more than 500 DresseMBER Collective members have raised over \$323k, with an average monthly gift of \$36. This community provides the essential resources needed to protect vulnerable populations at risk of trafficking, offer an exit pathway for victims, and empower survivors year-round.

Join the DresseMBER Collective at dresseMBER.org/collective

DRESSEMBER SURVIVOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

In 2021, we established the DresseMBER Survivor Scholarship Program to address a crucial survivor-identified need: access to education. To date, we've granted 18 flexible academic scholarships totaling ~\$80,000 to help survivors close the gap between physical freedom and long-term economic empowerment.

Support the DresseMBER Survivor Scholarship Program at dresseMBER.org/scholarship

THINGS SURVIVORS WISH YOU KNEW

Historically, anti-trafficking advocacy has often relied on non-survivors' interpretations of survivors' experiences and needs. At DresseMBER, we're actively changing this by passing the mic to survivors. In 2022, we launched 'Things Survivors Wish You Knew,' a DresseMBER podcast that gives survivors the platform to share crucial insights on trafficking, exploitation, and the anti-trafficking sector.

Tune in at dresseMBER.org/podcast

THE DRESSEMBER DOCUMENTARY

In 2021, we released the DresseMBER Documentary to showcase how a decade of dresses and ties has had a profound impact on hundreds of thousands of lives around the world. Alongside advocates, survivors, and partners—the key players in our movement—we share our story.

Watch the film at dresseMBER.org/documentary

DresseMBER is a global movement utilizing fashion and creativity to combat human trafficking from every angle. For the last 10 years, we have hosted a style challenge in December where people wear a dress or tie and fundraise for 31 days. Advocates raise critical awareness and funds for prevention, intervention, and survivor empowerment efforts in the ongoing fight against human trafficking around the world.

\$18M
RAISED

280k
DONORS

16
COUNTRIES

34k
ADVOCATES

26
PARTNERS



DRESSEMBER STAFF REFLECTIONS

“WHEN I WORE MY FIRST DRESSEMBER DRESS in a foot of Syracuse snow, I couldn’t have imagined this remarkable 8-year journey. I’m inspired by our community’s unwavering commitment to fighting for trafficking victims and survivors, and thankful for the chance to support survivors in sharing their stories and for the advocates who have amplified them.”

—*Stephanie Schindler*

Content Manager, 8-Year Advocate



“OVER THE PAST 5 YEARS, I’ve seen the tremendous impact DresseMBER has made on the lives of victims and survivors of trafficking. Thank you to every member of this community who has played a vital role in using their passion to create tangible change!”

—*Marissa Marx*

Senior Director of Partnerships and Programs, 5-Year Advocate

“I HAVE HAD THE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY to be a part of this DresseMBER community as an advocate, former board member & current staff; each iteration of involvement in this collective effort has been so impactful in ways that bring me hope. When people can come together with joy in the fight against injustice we can do anything!”

—*Arianna Harrison*

Operations Manager, 10-Year Advocate

