

THE DEFENDERS USA

WHO WE ARE

The Defenders are men who have come to understand the marketplace of commercial sexual exploitation. Men who buy sex by the picture or act create the demand that results in the loss of innocence, resulting in the physical and psychological devastation of children and teens. As it is men who are the source of demand, it is men who must end demand.

We are men who responded to the startling findings in The National Report on Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking, that reveals that over 100,000 children are victimized through prostitution in America each year with the average age of entry just 13.

A Defender's first step is to take a pledge to not purchase or participate in pornography, prostitution or any form of commercial sex.

We aim to mobilize at least 100,000 men to take the pledge, become Defenders, and commit their hearts, minds and resources in defense of our children. Can we afford to do less to protect our kids?

Because men create the demand for prostituted kids, better men have to stop it. We are the better men.

TAKE THE PLEDGE

Once I take the pledge at www.thedefendersusa.org, I will take action! Once I take the pledge, I will:

- Show I am a Defender: Purchase and wear Defender shirts, dog tags, or display a patch, sticker or tattoo.
- Become informed on how child trafficking really works in the U.S.A. Order **Renting Lacy: A story of America's prostituted children**, or become an expert on child trafficking markets in America by purchasing **The National Report on Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking: America's Prostituted Children**.
- Educate others about trafficking: add Shared Hope and The Defenders to my Facebook
- Host an event and/or speak to my group.
- Donate to The Defenders to protect, defend, and restore.
- Tweet to my friends announcing my pledge and send the link to The Defenders pledge.



MEN CREATE DEMAND BETTER MEN CAN END IT