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Saved In America's 2nd Annual #ChildSavedNotSold Fundraising Dinner will take place January 19, 2023, at the Red Rock Casino Resort & Spa

Keynote Speaker will include Mark A. Morgan, Former Acting Commissioner of the Customs and Border Protection (CBP), U.S. Border Patrol, Served 20 years as a Special Agent with the FBI, Los Angeles Police Department Officer, and a 10-year veteran of the United States Marine Corps.

Las Vegas, NV – Saved In America's 2nd Annual #ChildSavedNotSold fundraising dinner will take place on **Thursday, January 19, 2023** at the Red Rock Casino & Spa. The event will feature keynote speaker, **Mark A. Morgan**, who was appointed by the President of the United States in 2019 to serve as the acting Director of the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (**ICE**), Acting Commissioner of the Customs and Border Protection (**CBP**), U.S. Border Patrol, served 20 years as a Special Agent with the **FBI**, Los Angeles Police Department Officer, and a 10-year veteran, active duty and reserve, of the United States Marine Corps. Mr. Morgan is also a Visiting Fellow at the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR) in addition to Heritage. **Mark Larson**, with KUSI News and iHeart radio, will be the Master of Ceremonies and Saved In America will honor **Governor Elect Joseph Lombardo** for the #ChildSavedNotSold Award.

At no charge to families, Saved In America (SIA) volunteers to assist parents and law enforcement to locate missing, runaway and exploited children – the groups most vulnerable to sexual trafficking. For victims of sexual exploitation, SIA assists in procuring legal representation, safe housing, and rehabilitative therapy. SIA also aids high-risk juvenile shelters to protect children from further exploitation by pimps and predators. Since December 2014, SIA has assisted in the investigation and recovery of more than **270** children nationwide. **60%** of all recovered children were found before being trafficked.

Child Sex Trafficking is the Fastest Growing Crime in the United States and Nevada is usually the #2 state in the country, in which 3 of 4 victims are U.S. citizens. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) received **37,872** reports of online enticement in the U.S. in 2020 (up from **19,174**), and **98%** of victims did not know the offender online. There were

also **17,000** reports of child sex trafficking, in which **1 in 6** children reported missing were runaways and victims of sex trafficking.

“The atrocities of child sex trafficking must end. The statistics are grim and speak loudly. The recovery of these children is our calling,” stated Joseph Travers, founder of Saved In America. “Our reward is the look we receive in the eyes of the parents when we recover their child.”

The dinner will feature real life testimonials from a grandmother and **15-year-old Nevaeh**, who was a victim of a 20-year-old trafficker. Saved In America assisted in locating a long-term rehabilitation center in Reno, Nevada and worked with the grandmother to structure Nevaeh’s recovery plan. Nevaeh will receive the **“Brittane Drexel” #ChildSavedNotSold Scholarship** to assist with continued education.

“Thank you so much for everything you have done for me and for all of the time you have spent. You never gave up on us, helping me all hours - night and day. You truly deserve a medal for everything you have done for us,” stated grandmother Marijane. “I wish I could help save all of them. Nevaeh and every child are worth saving.”

Saved In America will complete its 6th #ChildSavedNotSold Operation in the Las Vegas region (7 total operations in Nevada since 2019) looking for 7 missing, runaway and trafficked children. Funds from the event will help to cover the operational costs.

With the heightened surge of trafficking due to the open border crisis, keynote speaker Mark Morgan will provide an update on how open borders directly affect increases in illicit drugs, labor and child sex trafficking, cartels, sexual predators, gang members, and human smugglers entering our country.

“When policies open our borders in a blatant effort to incentivize, encourage, and facilitate illegal immigration, our borders become increasingly open and vulnerable to the vast and complex set of ever-changing threats facing our nation,” stated Morgan. “Criminal organizations will exploit every gap and loophole made available through weak, ambiguous, and faulty U.S. policy. They are masters at exploitation. Strengthening an organization’s capacity to facilitate one criminal activity expands their ability to facilitate other criminal schemes such as human trafficking, drugs, and smuggling of gang members and criminal aliens into the U.S. Make no mistake - criminal organizations are paying close attention to what’s happening at our borders and the dramatic shift in U.S. policies.”

SIA is a non-profit organization of volunteers who are former law enforcement officers, Special Operators, and Navy SEALs-turned licensed and insured private investigators. If you or someone you know is a victim of sex trafficking, please call the Human Trafficking Hotline at: (888) 373-3788 or text befreet (233733). You can also call Saved In America at: (760) 348-8808 or email info@savedinamerica.org.

For sponsorship and ticket information, please visit <https://www.savedinamerica.org/upcoming-events/fundraising-dinner-las-vegas> . Tickets are available at **\$125** per person and sponsorships range from **\$1,250 to \$50,000**. For more information, please contact Saved In America at 760-348-8808 or email info@savedinamerica.org. #ChildSavedNotSold

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About Saved In America

Founded in 2009 by Joseph A. Travers, Saved In America (SIA) is headquartered in San Diego, California with national alliances and reach. At no charge to families, SIA volunteers (former Police Officers, Navy SEALs and Military Special Operators turned Licensed & Insured Private Investigators) assist parents and law enforcement in locating missing, runaway, and exploited children – the groups most vulnerable to sexual trafficking. For victims of sexual exploitation, SIA assists in procuring legal representation, safe housing, and rehabilitative therapy. SIA also aids high risk juvenile shelters to protect children from further exploitation by pimps and predators. SIA is a member of the United States Human Trafficking Information Exchange Group, Washington D.C. Since December 2014, SIA has assisted parents and law enforcement in the recovery of more than 270 children. For more information, please visit <https://www.savedinamerica.org/> or join the community on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#), [YouTube](#) and [Instagram](#). #ChildSavedNotSold