Advocacy Update

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October is the month for the multi-faith Fighting Poverty With Faith, FPWF, mobilization. FPWF mobilizes annually to focus our government’s agenda on cutting poverty.

Some good opportunities for your sisterhood to take part in FPWF follow:

- Send an e-postcard, hosted by the Jewish Council for Public Affairs, to ask President Obama to re-state his commitment to cut poverty in half by 2020, commit to protect safety net programs, and seek legislation for effective job creation.
- Incorporate the FPWF interfaith prayer into your October meeting.
- Write an op-ed for your local newspaper. The Coalition on Human Needs is making its communications staff available to help develop and edit op-eds.

For additional information and resources about poverty and the mobilization, go to the Religious Action Center website.

Call For An End to Trafficking in Israel

Sara Charney, WRJ vice president (Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood, Toronto, ON Canada), has informed us that the Sisterhood of Temple Sholom of WRJ (Vancouver, BC Canada) and the Temple Committee Against Human Trafficking of Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom (Montreal, Quebec Canada) are working with the Atzum Task Force on Human Trafficking Letter Campaign.

The Israeli Knesset has the opportunity to make changes that will protect women and children against the violence inherent in trafficking and prostitution.

Send an email to key Israeli cabinet ministers to urge them to seek tough measures against human trafficking and sex slavery in Israel.

Atzum assures us that our voices will be heard and our emails will count!

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