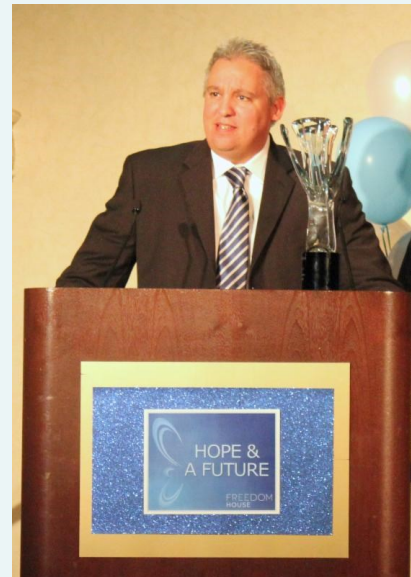


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**FREEDOM HOUSE 2014 GUARDIAN AWARD
South San Francisco Police Department**

Sgt. William Schwartz accepted the 2014 Guardian Award on behalf of Chief Michael Massoni and the South San Francisco Police Department during the Freedom House 5th Annual Gala in May. Chief Massoni joined Congresswoman Jackie Speier in the creation of the Human Trafficking Protocol for Law Enforcement in San Mateo County, providing guidelines to assist victims of human trafficking.

The Freedom House 2014 Stewardship Award was presented to Pat Mims, Bay Area Women Against Rape, for his work with the Sexually Exploited Minors program, which provides stabilization to survivors of commercial sexual exploitation and trafficking. Pat also has been personally responsible for rescuing many of the survivors who have resided at The Monarch for women since Freedom House began.



AFTERCARE PROGRAMS RECEIVE FUNDING

Freedom House wishes to acknowledge the recent support by Bay Area Mobility Management, Bethany Evangelical Alliance Church, Capital Group Charitable Foundation, GKIM Studios, Los Altos United Methodist Church, Santa Teresa Hills Presbyterian Church, Saratoga Federated Church, The Seaver Institute, Soroptimist International of North San Mateo County and Weddings for Freedom.



Intero Broker Associate Karlene DiNapoli (center) is pictured with Cheryl Hock, The Nest co-founder, and Jaida Im, Freedom House founder and executive director, during the presentation of the \$15,000 grant from the Intero Foundation. The leaders of Intero Real Estate Services created the foundation to support organizations that make a positive impact on the education and personal development of children in communities they serve. Freedom House expresses gratitude to Intero Foundation President Cathy Jackson and its members for their support. If you are involved with a business, foundation, civic organization or faith-based group that would like to join Freedom House in the fight against modern-day slavery, please contact Info@FreedomHouseSF.org.

DREAM POWER PARTNERS WITH THE NEST

Located in Gilroy, DreamPower Horsemanship, a leading provider of equine-assisted mental-health therapies and activities, is set to offer its services to the girls at The Nest. Equine-facilitated psychotherapy will be used to promote psycho-social healing and personal growth for survivors by improving self-esteem, developing self-confidence and trust, encouraging responsibility and learning how to care for others. In June, staff members from The Nest visited the stables to gain a deeper understanding about the powerful program and its opportunities for personal development in a serene setting.



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Five Percent (5%) Goes to Our Survivors

Freedom House supporters can shop online at AmazonSmile and raise vital funds for the survivors we serve at The Monarch for women and The Nest for adolescent girls. Log-in by using your existing Amazon account information, then scroll down to find your favorite charity. Freedom House is listed under its non-profit

corporate name, which is **TWBD, Inc.** You'll enjoy receiving the same bargains and benefits you appreciate at Amazon while knowing that five percent of your purchase dollars will be donated to TWBD, Inc./Freedom House. To get started and learn more about AmazonSmile, please visit <https://smile.amazon.com>



ADVOCATE VOLUNTEER

Rachel Tsolinas

Rachel is a research assistant for Child Neurology at Stanford Hospital. She currently is halfway through her pre-med classes, and hopes to enroll in medical school by fall 2017. Rachel says it was the holistic approach to healing that drew both her support and heart to Freedom House. Unlike other organizations she came across, Freedom House was the one that stood apart in its long-term approach to aftercare. "I like how the Freedom House program is uniquely designed to address the women's past, present and future needs. The women aren't scooped up and temporarily stored in a shelter, but rather restored and nurtured over time." Rachel continues to volunteer as an advocate as often as she can, and is excited about Freedom House's future.



ADVOCATE AND SHELTER VOLUNTEER

Flora Wonsun Baik

Flora graduated from Cornell University with a B.S. in Labor Relations. She was exposed to the topic of unjust labor practices during her internship abroad with the International Labour Organization in South Africa. Upon returning to the U.S., Flora started learning more about the truth behind sex/labor trafficking in major cities, especially New York. She has realized how complicated this issue is and was encouraged to share with her friends, family and community how everyone's actions affect trafficking in some way or another. Along with advocacy, Flora reached out to Freedom House to be a part of the survivors' restoration phase. She loves having fun with the residents through hiking and karaoke, as well as equipping them with practical skills such as resume building and job preparation. Flora comments, "It's a privilege to be a part of a symbiotic relationship with the residents, inspiring them to never lose hope and being inspired by their tenacity."



VOLUNTEER TRAINING BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER

Apply now for the next semi-annual volunteer training sessions, which commence on Saturday, September 6, in Santa Clara County. If you would like to serve the organization as a Freedom House Advocate or work directly with the survivors at The Monarch or The Nest as a Shelter Volunteer, contact Tina Beauchamp at Tina@FreedomHouseSF.org to learn more about the application process.



About Freedom House:

Located in the San Francisco Bay Area, Freedom House is an independent 501(c)(3) non-profit organization (Tax ID #27-0248325), with a mission to bring hope, restoration, and a new life to survivors of human trafficking by providing housing and long-term aftercare services. In August 2010, Freedom House launched The Monarch, the first safe home and aftercare program of its kind in Northern California for adult female survivors. The Nest, located in Santa Clara County, is one of the few residential shelters in the country dedicated to helping girls, ages 12 to 17. Through its pioneering aftercare model, Freedom House is breaking the cycle of human exploitation and creating new futures for survivors. To learn how you can become involved, visit www.FreedomHouseSF.org

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