SAVING THE DATE!
The 4th Annual Gala is being held on Sat., May 4, 2013, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Foster City.

Francis Chan, pastor and top-selling author, will keynote the event. Tickets go on sale in late January 2013.

JEWELRY SALES
Residents have been busy creating many beautiful necklaces, bracelets and earrings to meet the growing demand for their custom designs during the holiday season. One hundred percent of the money raised goes directly to the survivors.

The Nest
We are pleased to share the news about our expansion plans to create The Nest, a shelter for girls ages 12 to 17. Set to open in Santa Clara County in late 2013, The Nest will be one of the few residential shelters in the country dedicated exclusively to minors who have survived human trafficking. The shelter will be refurbished to accommodate six residents and live-in staff. Once opened, The Nest will offer professional counseling, case management, academic and life-skills education, and recreational activities designed to allow these survivors to recapture their interrupted youth.

(Photos: KCBS Reporter Margie Shafer interviews Freedom House Founder Jaida Im about The Nest announcement.)

IN THE COMMUNITY: Freedom House advocates build awareness about human trafficking and our pioneering aftercare programs.

Recent presentations include: Notre Dame de Namur University, UC Berkeley, UCSF, Bay Area Anti-Trafficking Coalition, Soroptimist San Francisco, YWCA Freedom Week, La Casa de Las Madres, Rotaract Club of Silicon Valley, Rotary Club of Mountain View, Community Violence Solutions, Abundant Life Christian Fellowship, Bridges Community Church, Calvary Church Los Gatos, Congregational Church of San Mateo, Grace Presbyterian Church, Harbor Light, Open Door Church San Mateo, Summit Church Women’s Conference, Sunset Church, Valley Community Church and the Not For Sale Global Forum.

Freedom House has many reasons to be grateful this holiday season. The Monarch, our shelter for women, has seen several survivors successfully graduate from its aftercare program, and we now are preparing to launch The Nest (please see story below).

As we deepen our commitment to help human-trafficking survivors rebuild their lives, this year’s Holiday Giving Campaign takes on new urgency. Please join us in the fight to eradicate modern-day slavery. Donate today: www.freedomhousesf.org/donate

TOP VOLUNTEER
Since 2010, Karen Yu has done it all. Karen leads crafts projects, solicits donations, joins in Family Night
A BOUNTIFUL FEAST: A special thank you to Central Peninsula Church for generously donating a complete Thanksgiving dinner for our residents. Freedom House is truly blessed!

For more information, please visit our website: www.FreedomHouseSF.org