

# The Henderson

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**Our mission is to PROTECT by courageously standing between evil and good with honor, while striving to SERVE with respect - always putting others before self.**

## National John Suppression Initiative



TCSO's Human Trafficking Unit participated in August's National John Suppression Initiative. We participated with Arlington PD on an operation that focused on arresting "johns", referring to the men that purchase sex, rather than prostitutes as a way to combat human trafficking. Why go after the johns and not the prostitutes? Prostitutes that have been trafficked are victims. Working with Arlington PD, TCSO arrested johns and then turned their focus on providing help to prostitutes, who are potential victims of human trafficking, meaning they have been forced to work in the sex industry as a slave. The National John Suppression Initiative is a nationwide effort to stem the demand side of this industry, rather than combat it from the supply side, all in the hopes that there will be fewer victims of human trafficking.

TCSO arrested 30 johns this August. Our Human Trafficking Unit runs monthly undercover operations to counter human trafficking in Tarrant County. Texas is 1 of the top 5 states with the most cases of human trafficking.

## Women's Empowerment

Throughout August, TCSO hosted a Women's Empowerment Training series open to all TCSO employees. Guest speakers spoke about their experiences, working in law enforcement and the challenges they've had to overcome.

Guest speakers included Chief Stormy Kelly, FWPD tactical medic Brandi Kamper, and Taya Kyle.

Guest speakers weren't the only individuals that spoke. The final training included a video where TCSO team members spoke about their own experiences.



*Detective Kaether participated in the final video that aired during the last session.*

## New Boots



5 TCSO team members graduated from the Police Academy on August 3. They have now entered field training.



Our latest cadet class entered the Police Academy this August.