



Governor Abbott Marks Historic Opening Of Bob's House Of Hope

Bob's House of Hope Welcomes Governor Abbot and First Lady Abbot as they tour the Nation's First Safe House for Male Survivors of Human Trafficking

JUSTIN, TX, UNITED STATES, July 30, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Governor Greg Abbott today attended the grand opening of Bob's House of Hope and toured the nation's first safe house exclusively for male survivors of human trafficking.

"Texas leads America in combating human trafficking and child sex trafficking," said Governor Abbott. "Ranch Hands Rescue and Bob's House of Hope provide a beacon of hope for victims in need, creating a model of care that truly can be replicated across the entire country. Together, we will remove traffickers from our streets and provide every brave young survivor the hope they need to reclaim their future."

During his remarks, Governor Abbott highlighted Texas' aggressive efforts to combat human trafficking and strengthen protections for survivors. The Governor pointed to recent laws he signed that raised the penalty for all human trafficking offenses to a first-degree felony, eliminated parole for traffickers who target children or disabled individuals, and expand tools for law enforcement and prosecutors. These measures ensure traffickers face tougher consequences while survivors receive the protection and support they deserve.

The Governor was joined by First Lady Cecilia Abbott, Founder & CEO of Bob's House of Hope and Ranch Hands Rescue Bob Williams, Congressman Brandon Gill, Senator Tan Parker, State Representative Ben Bumgarner, Representative Mitch Little, Representative Richard Hayes, Representative Andy Hopper, Denton County Judge Andy Eads, Denton County Sheriff Tracy Murphree, COO of Bob's House of Hope Landon Dickeson, CEO of Journey to Dream Nesa Grider, The Honorable Jane Nelson, and other anti-human trafficking advocates.

Bob's House of Hope provides a secure residential environment, trauma-informed care, and support services tailored to male survivors. The facility fills a critical gap in the national response to commercial sexual exploitation and strengthens Texas' efforts to protect victims and hold traffickers accountable.

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