

## Catholic Bishops Conference of Canada

Since the beginning of our work together, we shared and spread awareness in our respective organizations of what is the terrible reality of slavery in the 21st century, present in so many forms to exploit humans by humans.

The parish communities and the Catholic religious communities are a grassroots network that can detect situations has this operation; in function of their commitment to the service of the Gospel. The Catholic faithful are sensitive to the miseries of other. They can on the daily bases detect these situations and help the authorities to intervene, without becoming aggressive with and being sensitive to the need of the people exploited.

During the plenary of the Bishops of Canada, in September 2017, I got from the Royal Canadian police documents and a media compilation on their action against human trafficking to share with each of the 80 or so diocesan bishops of the Conference of Canada. Two women engaged in the field of the fight against slavery sdff invited: one of the province of Ontario on behalf of their association for their actions with migrants; the other from Quebec was to talk on their intervention on some minor cases of sexual abuse among migrant women. Thanks to the sharing documentation, local Christian communities can more easily learn from the tools used by the Canadian police in order to counter the exploitation of the weak.

At the last symposium, spontaneous contacts have been made with our neighbours to the South the Americans, to intervene on the border between two countries, previously the Canada and the United States had the desire to realize a privileged contact between police and the Canadian immigration Department

International meetings give us the opportunity to be informed of initiatives and interventions that inspire us and energize us. The Catholic Church in the Canada is increasingly sensitive to the reality of slavery, which often appear as unbelievable in an industrial society in the developed World. It is the cooperation between the security forces and the initiative of people - including the Catholic faithful who gives hope for the eradication of the phenomenon of human trafficking