

**Survivor Voices of Human Trafficking**  
**Biography**  
**Kristin Vaughn Bio**

Kristin Vaughn is a resilient survivor of human trafficking with over two decades of dedicated experience in the anti-trafficking movement. She is the Founder of Second and 50th, a survivor-led organization that meets people where they are—whether it's their second chance or fiftieth—by providing opportunities at the intersections of healing, growth, and professional development. She also serves as the Associate Director of Survivor Network Virginia, a statewide network uniting and supporting survivors of trafficking through peer connection, leadership development, and advocacy.

A graduate of Thistle Farms, where she served as Event Coordinator and speaker, Kristin went on to build a national career in anti-trafficking. She has worked under contract for numerous leading organizations, including the National Survivor Network, the Coalition to Abolish Slavery & Trafficking, Survivor Alliance, Freedom Network USA, and Polaris.

Kristin is a member of the Red Alert Task Force, an international initiative combatting human trafficking, as well as an alumna of Empower Her Network and Elevate Academy. She is also a member of Cleverhuman's The Network, The Global Association of Human Trafficking Scholars, and The Knoble. Her work takes her across the country for speaking engagements, training sessions, and conferences, where she is regularly sought after for keynotes, workshops, panels, and presentations.

Recognized as both a published writer and powerful speaker, Kristin focuses on critical topics such as vacatur and criminal record relief, survivor engagement, policy and legislative reform, and the integration of technology in anti-trafficking efforts. She serves on the Board of Directors for Liluye as the Survivor Affairs Expert, the Pulaski County Free Store, and The Brenna Wallace International Initiative. She is also an active advocate within the Virginia Coalition Against Human Trafficking and the Regional Interdisciplinary Collaborative Working to Disrupt Human Trafficking.

In addition to her policy and advocacy work, Kristin leverages her expertise in programming, social media, marketing, OSINT, AI, and web design to amplify survivor voices and drive real-world impact. Her commitment is unwavering: to fight for the most vulnerable, to open doors for survivor leaders, and to ensure no one is left behind.

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