



Social Welfare for prostitutes (SWP)

Expertise sexuality, sex work and human trafficking

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SWP is willing to listen to everybody who works in prostitution

If you want to talk about your work in prostitution, SWP is the right address for you. If you have a certain problem, we are more than willing to help you find the right solution.

Everyone who makes a living in the sex industry can come to SWP, whether you work in a club, via the Internet or in any other way. It doesn't matter if you are a man, a woman or transgender*. You can also come to SWP if you do not have a residence permit or if you are taking drugs. SWP offers free assistance.

Linda (25):

The classic story: I have chosen this profession to pay off debts. I had to make extra costs for clothing and I had to rent my workplace, so the end of my debts was no way near. Luckily, I could make a discharge settlement with the help of SWP.

Johan (21):

Male prostitution is under a double taboo. I am 'in the bisnis' and I have contact with men. At SWP I can talk about it without being looked at funny.

We think your job is a real profession

Prostitution, sex work, 'the bisnis'; a lot of people think it is a difficult subject. You can talk freely about it at SWP. We think prostitution, if it is your own free choice, is a real profession. Our object is not to make you quit prostitution.

And what if I do want to quit my job in prostitution?

Maybe you want to quit your job in prostitution. In that case, you can apply for the quitting program. Often, when you quit the 'bisnis' a lot of (old) problems will surface again. You no longer have any income and maybe you have made debts during your work in prostitution. These are just some examples of the things we can tackle together with you.

Your details are safe with us

We are bound by a duty of professional confidentiality. What you tell us will stay between us. You can apply with your working name. Only in certain very specific cases, when you or somebody else is in serious danger, we are obliged to report this.

What if I do not speak Dutch very well?

SWP can hire interpreters. They are bound by a duty of professional confidentiality as well.

Asha (19):

I have works in a club for some time now, but my boyfriend keeps my money from me. I am not sure about a future in our relationship. Together with SWP I am considering what I want to do.

How do I contact SWP?

Do you want more information about the offer of SWP? You can call between 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. the following number: (010) 236 52 12.

You can also e-mail us:

pmw@stichtinghumanitas.nl.

In addition, we have a website:

www.humanitaspmw.org.

You can find us in the Humanitas building at 110, Pieter de Hoochweg. At the Coolhaven metro station, you cross the bridge.

*Transgender:

A transgender is someone with a feeling of unease or confusion as the result of a mismatch between his/her gender identity (the feeling of being male or female) and physical sex.