

Two SWOSU Students Working to Benefit Prevention of Child Sex Slavery and Exploitation

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Two Southwestern Oklahoma State University students are determined to help the organization Love 146.

Love 146? It is simply an organization that aims to end child sex slavery and human trafficking.

It is an organization that is not well known in Oklahoma but many around the SWOSU campus in Weatherford are starting to find out about it because of the efforts of Kara Shrader of Sayre and Jennifer Osborn of Chickasha. The two are organizing a 5K run/walk this Saturday, April 17, with all proceeds benefiting Love 146.

Registration for the run/walk will begin at 8 a.m. at the YMCA of Weatherford. People can register on the day of the race. The race will begin at 9 a.m. at Sand Plum Trail in Rader Park of Weatherford. There will be shuttles to take runners/walkers from the YMCA to Sand Plum Trail.

Cost is \$35 for adults, \$20 for SWOSU students, \$18 for senior citizens and \$12 for children under 12. Registration forms are available at the SWOSU Wellness Center, Dr. Melinda Burgess' office in Psychology Room 126, by calling Shrader at 580.729-1700 or Osborn at (405) 779-0988. They are hoping for at least 50 runners/walkers.

Shrader said most people in the United States are not aware that this massive worldwide industry averages a \$9.5 billion profit. Love146 focuses on education and direct intervention efforts as well as contributing and nurturing a growing abolition movement. People can learn more about Love146 at the site's website love146.org.

Donations are welcome and the two SWOSU students would love to see a big turnout for the fight against something as heartbreaking as child sex slavery and exploitation that is taking place right here in Oklahoma, the United States and across the world.