

My name is Harriet Tubman. Some people call me "Moses". I was born into slavery in Maryland.

In 1849 I escaped to Philadelphia, then returned to rescue my family. Slowly, for 11 years, I brought relatives with me, and guided more than 70 other slaves to freedom using the network of antislavery activists and safe houses known as the Underground Railroad. I usually worked during the winter when the nights are long and dark and used disguises.

I helped guide people as far north as Canada, and helped newly freed slaves find work. Large rewards were offered, but no one suspected me as a petite five foot tall slave with a disability who had run away years before.

I am a human smuggler

Criminalizing smuggling cannot prevent the migration of those seeking safety and freedom. Reject anti-smuggling legislation and scrap Bill C4.

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