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Campaign and Advocacy

I was savagely beaten and repeatedly raped, says Sabeen, a Syrian 24-year-old refugee and torture survivor.

I had my hands and feet bound and was held captive for three weeks.

Sabeen was kidnapped along with her brother and cousin by armed men. During captivity, she was forced to watch as they were beaten and murdered.

Sabeen fled to Amman, Jordan. She suffered from headaches, chronic pain, depression, anxiety and nightmares. After being referred to CVT Jordan, Sabeen became more self-confident and reported fewer nightmares and headaches.

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The names of survivors and some personal details have been changed to protect their identity. The photos represent the many countries and cultures represented by torture survivors. We do not use images of survivors to protect their identity and their safety.

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