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San Diego
JUVENILE SEX TRAFFICKING CONFERENCE
# Conference Schedule

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- San Diego
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DAY 1

TUESDAY | OCTOBER 16
Building a Justice Centered Movement

When we are caught up in the day to day of direct service and policy reform it can be helpful to take a step back and consider the big picture. This workshop is part history lesson, part call to action, and a love letter to the movement to end sexual exploitation and trafficking. We will explore what justice means for different people and how we can more effectively build a justice-centered movement. We will consider the root causes of sexual exploitation and how to think about messaging that interrupts those root causes. As we learn to connect our direct practice to broader social movements, we see the impact each one of us can have individually and collectively in building justice.

Meet the Keynote Speaker

Leslie Briner

MSW, Sexual Exploitation Consultant, YouthCare

For over 20 years, Leslie Briner has served families experiencing homelessness, youth with developmental disabilities, youth in the foster care system and, since 2005, has worked with commercially sexually exploited (CSE) youth. She has designed, implemented and directed services for sexually exploited and trafficked youth and developed comprehensive training on the topics of sexual exploitation and trafficking. To date, she has trained over 7,000 people as well as providing substantial technical assistance and consultation on these issues in Washington State and across the country. Leslie works as a consultant with YouthCare and operates Social Strategies, a training and consulting practice based in Seattle, Washington. In addition she holds a position as Associate Faculty at the University of Washington, School of Social Work where she earned her Master’s in Social Work (MSW).
Saving Our Boys to Save Our Girls

Many of the discussions, prevention/intervention programming and front line assessments are designed to target the victim (survivor) of sex trafficking or the buyer by addressing demand through legal interventions or educational programming. While anyone can be a trafficker regardless of gender, this workshop is focused on male perpetrators. This workshop provides a holistic view of the circumstances or vulnerabilities that may lead a young man to engage in criminal behaviors inclusive of trafficking, such as the mass marketing of hyper-masculinity, socioeconomic inequalities and institutionalized oppression. This workshop will allow participants to critically reflect on how they assess trafficking cases and provide examples of ways to engage young men about issues related to trafficking and the role they may play. By discussing the trafficker as someone needing prevention services we position ourselves on the national level to make systemic changes for young men to enhance their well-being and to potentially save our girls.

Meet the Speakers

Bryan Hall, LCSW
Co-Founder, I AM Training and Consultation Group

Bryan Hall II received his graduate degree from the University of Connecticut School of Social Work and has worked in child welfare, adult probation services and law enforcement more than seventeen years. His clinical background consists of treating adolescents with persistent legal issues and/or mental health disorders. Bryan has been an active contributor of efforts to eradicate sex trafficking including training hundreds of probations officers, social workers and providers. Under the umbrella of I AM: The Empowerment Project he has been instrumental in the development and facilitation of prevention programming aimed at educating participants on various topics inclusive of sexual exploitation designed for adolescents, young adults and families. In addition, Bryan is an adjunct faculty member and teaches at the college level.

Stefania Agliano, LMSW
Co-Founder, I AM Training and Consultation Group

Stefania M. Agliano received her graduate degree at Fordham University and has worked in child welfare services and child protection for over twenty-five years, currently working in the field of child welfare in a supervisory capacity. She has been a contributing member of efforts to eradicate trafficking, including the development of various training curriculums as well as training hundreds of child welfare staff, law enforcement officers, probations officers and community providers on the local and national level. Stefania has co-authored and facilitated national prevention programming aimed at educating participants on various topics inclusive of sexual exploitation designed for adolescents, young adults and families under the umbrella of I AM: The Empowerment Project. She is an adjunct faculty member and teaches at the college level.
Running is The Issue:
Preventing Running Away While Eliminating Secure Detention

The living situations of commercially sexually exploited (CSE) youth in the custody of child welfare are characterized by frequent changes, including high rates of detention placements and runaway episodes. This presentation will provide findings from the first rigorous study of the lifetime juvenile justice and child welfare administrative records of children in the custody of child welfare who were commercially sexually exploited. These findings will be placed in the context of a multidisciplinary task force that works to identify and intervene with CSE youth in child welfare in order to stabilize youth placements, prevent runaways, reduce the use of detention to securely place youth, and intervene with youth on the run. We will facilitate an exchange of ideas about strategies to simultaneously prevent youth runaways and eliminate the use of detention.

Meet the Speakers

Kelly Mangiaracina, JD
King County CSEC Task Force Coordinator, King County Superior Court

Kelly Mangiaracina began coordinating the King County CSEC Task Force in July 2013. She has over 15 years of experience working both with youth and working to ensure access for all individuals to social justice via the legal system. She has extensive direct service work with at risk youth, including in a group home setting prior to attending law school.

Michael Pullmann, PhD
Associate Research Professor of Psychiatry and Behavior Sciences, University of Washington, UW Medicine, School of Medicine

Michael Pullmann is the lead researcher for the King County CSEC Task force. In addition to CSEC, his research addresses community-based participatory research approaches in children’s mental health services, education, child welfare, and juvenile justice. Much of his effort focuses on research methodology and quantitative and qualitative analyses, with a particular focus on longitudinal approaches to data analysis and the use of large management information databases for research.
Meet the Speakers, con’t.

Norene Roberts, MSSW
CSEC Liaison, Washington State Department of Social and Health Services: Children’s Administration Region 2

Norene Roberts provides training for staff, as well as consultation and multidisciplinary coordination for CSEC cases in 6 counties. Previously, Norene managed a confidential domestic violence shelter located in Seattle; and, served as the primary researcher for ECPAT-USA’s work on the commercial sexual exploitation of boys in the United States, culminating in the publication of And Boys Too in 2013. Norene worked as a sexual assault counselor and coordinated a runaway and homeless youth street outreach and case management program. She holds a policy-focused Master of Science in Social Work degree from Columbia University and a dual Women’s Studies and Multicultural Studies BA from Fairhaven College at Western Washington University.

Morgan Silverman, LICSW
Director of Homelessness Prevention, YouthCare

Trained as a clinical social worker, Morgan Silverman has worked in the field for 15 years, providing both long-term counseling and short-term crisis intervention in a variety of settings, including foster care, emergency departments, and housing programs. It was these experiences in direct services that led Morgan’s desire to assist in the creation and development of programs that serve young people and families in crisis and laid the foundation for her current role with YouthCare.
Sex Trafficking Prevention for Parents and Caregivers:
Conversations for Growing Resilient Kids

Ending sex trafficking requires taking a root cause approach to minimize the vulnerabilities that lead to children being exploited or later participating in the exploitation of others. This workshop will present an overview and lessons learned from the development and implementation of “Sex Trafficking Prevention: A Conversation Guide for Growing Resilient Kids.” Grounded in the personal and professional experiences of the author as a mother, foster parent, social worker, and survivor of exploitation, this free resource provides parents, caregivers, and service providers with guided prompts to facilitate conversations that help build a foundation for prevention with kids between the ages of 3-17. Topics include body safety, online awareness, and healthy relationships in a conversational tone and easy-to-use format, with additional support available through an online community.

Meet the Speakers

Savannah Sanders
Founder, SexTraffickingPrevention.org

In addition to founding Sex Trafficking Prevention, Savannah Sanders is author of *Sex Trafficking Prevention: A Trauma-Informed Approach for Parents and Professionals*. She is a thought leader for trafficking prevention and has expertise in child abuse prevention, trauma-informed care, harm reduction, and intergenerational abuse. Savannah has worked with communities across the country to provide survivor and trauma-informed training as well as consulting and curriculum development that impacts services. She uses her dynamic background as a social worker, parent, foster parent, and survivor leader to positively impact those she works with. Previously, Savannah was the Director of Human Trafficking and Community Outreach at a 120-bed crisis shelter, working to fully integrate human trafficking services and increase identification for survivors of all forms of human trafficking. Formerly, as the training coordinator for the Safe Action Project, she trained hospitality staff around the country to recognize and report human trafficking.

Alia Whitney-Johnson
Co-Founder and Executive Director, Freedom FWD

Alia Whitney-Johnson’s organization, Freedom FWD (www.freedomfwd.org), works to ensure that every young person in San Francisco can live free from commercial sexual exploitation. She serves as the Co-Chair of San Francisco’s Youth Trafficking Committee for the Mayor’s Task Force on Anti-Human Trafficking, and started the task force’s first Youth Advisory Board. Prior to launching Freedom FWD, Alia founded Emerge Global, a nonprofit that has equipped more than 1,000 teen survivors of sexual abuse in Sri Lanka with the business acumen, life skills, and financial resources needed to thrive in their adult lives. Alia holds a B.S. in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and an MPhil in Development Studies from the University of Oxford, where she studied as a Rhodes Scholar.
Building a Trauma Informed State Response to Child Sex Trafficking: Don’t Take “No” for an Answer!

When building a statewide response to child sex trafficking, you can do more harm than good if you don’t insist on trauma informed – and responsive – solutions. In a tough-on-crime state, it may be easier to focus on prosecuting traffickers but harder to provide victims the trauma responsive solutions they need to move from surviving to thriving. Texas does not have it all figured out – we are “building the house while we live in it” – but we are steadfast in following the lessons learned in Shared Hope’s protective response model and in maintaining our guiding principles. This workshop will give guidance to leaders on how to do the same.

Meet the Speakers

Andrea Sparks, JD

*Director, Child Sex Trafficking Team, Texas Governor’s Office*

Andrea’s mission with the Child Sex Trafficking Team is to work collaboratively with public and private stakeholders to prevent child sex trafficking, to provide trauma-informed child-centered services to recover and restore survivors, and to bring justice to traffickers, buyers and facilitators of trafficking. The Team works regionally to develop, grow and improve continua of care for survivors and to implement and support coordination of care through inter-agency, multi-disciplinary teams. Previously, Andrea served as the Executive Director of the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children’s Texas Regional Office and as Director of Public Affairs for Texas CASA, the statewide association of Court Appointed Special Advocate organizations that train and support volunteers to advocate for children in custody of Child Protective Services. Andrea has also practiced law, representing children and families in CPS, juvenile justice and adoption cases.

Shandra Carter, MSW

*Project Director, Texas Christian University – Karyn Purvis Institute of Child Development*

Shandra Carter is an accomplished mental health professional with 20 years of experience in the human services field. In her role with the Karyn Purvis Institute she works to help programs serving child sex trafficking victims implement Trust Based Relational Intervention (TBRI) as their trauma responsive model of care. Shandra served as the State Director for Child Sex Trafficking for Arrow Child & Family Ministries. She began with Arrow’s residential treatment for victims of child sex trafficking, implementing TBRI as a deeply integrated practice and launching therapeutic services for sex trafficking survivors in foster care. Shandra has also served as the Clinical Director of Calo, an 80-bed residential treatment center for adolescents suffering from attachment disorders and developmental trauma. Additionally, Shandra provided treatment to sexual offenders at Washington State’s Sexual Offender Treatment Program.
Professionals Working with CSEC:

How Does Trauma Affect Us?

This training provides materials, tools and activities to recognize, understand, and differentiate compassion fatigue, second-hand trauma, and burnout. The focus is on the importance of practicing self-care, ideas and tools to help you recognize what your team is going through and how to encourage others to practice self-care. We will also focus on survivors of trauma and how their own trauma can affect their performance, positively and negatively. This workshop includes some mild yoga exercises and meditation techniques to be used by professionals. This presentation is interactive and provides activities and real-life experiences as examples.

Meet the Speaker

**Esther Rodriguez Brown**
*Founder and Executive Director, The Embracing Project*

Born and raised in Barcelona, Spain, Esther Rodriguez Brown arrived in the United States in 2001. In 2007 she began working with incarcerated youth, in efforts to teach them skills of empathy she founded The Embracing Project. With it, she developed a curriculum that parallels the effects of genocide and gang violence and the links between gangs and the exploitation of girls. From 2011 to 2013 she was contracted as a consultant by Clark County District Courts as the Sexually Exploited Youth Court Administrator. In 2013 she opened the Center 4 Peace, the only drop-in center for minor sex trafficking survivors in Las Vegas. Esther has a MA in Child & Adolescent Psychology and a BA in Criminal Justice. She is certified as a field traumatologist by The Green Cross Academy of Traumatology and has a 200H TTC yoga teacher training in yoga therapy and Ayurveda approach.
Collaborating with Tribal Communities:

Practical Tips for Creating a Multidisciplinary Response to Child Sex Trafficking

Did you know that San Diego County has the most Indian reservations of any county in the United States? This presentation will examine San Diego’s efforts to foster sustained, multidisciplinary collaboration with our local tribal communities to better identify and respond to commercial sexual exploitation of children. Attendees will hear lessons learned from San Diego along with practical tips for engaging with tribes and creating a successful multidisciplinary team in their own communities.

Meet the Speakers

Emily Harlan, JD

Senior Deputy County Counsel, San Diego Office of County Counsel—Juvenile Dependency Division

Emily Harlan works exclusively on cases involving child abuse and neglect. For the past three years, she has served as a County Counsel liaison for cases and community workgroups involving the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) and CSEC, respectively. She is currently working with multidisciplinary teams in San Diego to address the unique vulnerabilities and expand the resources of San Diego’s tribal communities to combat commercial sexual exploitation of children. Emily holds a B.A. degree in Economics and a B.S. degree in Psychology from the University of California, San Diego and a J.D. degree with a certificate in Juvenile and Family Law from the University of Colorado, Boulder.
Meet the Speakers, con’t.

Charisma De Los Reyes, MSW

In addition to her role with Child Welfare Services in San Diego, Charisma De Los Reyes is also an adjunct faculty member at the University of Southern California, School of Social Work covering topics such as human trafficking, feminist theory, social impact and innovation. She has been a community organizer and activist with 20+ years experience, engaging in social justice and advocacy work around women’s and girls’ issues, both locally and internationally. Her international work includes working with communities in the Philippines, Indonesia and Cambodia. As a practitioner, Charisma has over 10 years of social services experience in investigations, family preservation and engagement, placement and congregate care as well as community child maltreatment prevention projects.

Karan Kolb, M. Psy
Social Services Director for Indian Health Council and member of Rincon Band of Luiseno Indians

Karan Kolb is a member of the Rincon Band of Luiseno Indians and in her role with the Indian Health Council, she is director for a seven tribe consortium. Karan has over 25 years of experience working with tribal governments and families in the areas of family preservation, court advocacy and reunification services as well as parenting and child welfare. She has developed the ICWA program by building communication and collaboration by way of partnerships with county, universities and tribal agencies. Karan participated in San Diego County’s System Improvement Plan (SIP) that included strategies aimed at reducing the number of Native American children in the child welfare system and improving the outcomes for Native American foster children. She also serves as a Community Advisory member for San Diego State University School of Social Work and has been recently appointed as the Delegate for Tribal Consultation with the state of California.
Hot Topics and Strategies for Identifying and Protecting Juvenile Sex Trafficking Victims: JuST State Policy

While awareness surrounding sex trafficking in the U.S. has increased substantially over the past 10 years and has led to legislative advancements across the country, significant gaps in state laws persist, limiting our ability to combat domestic minor sex trafficking and protect child victims. This presentation will outline the pressing need to gravitate away from punitive responses for juvenile sex trafficking victims and instead provide protective responses that include specialized services, while holding all perpetrators, including buyers, accountable in a manner that reflects the seriousness of the offense. This presentation will also discuss how legislative gaps may create barriers to identifying and responding to child sex trafficking victims. These barriers include the failure to address buyers’ conduct within the crime of sex trafficking which can seriously impact protections available to juvenile sex trafficking victims. Finally, the presentation will use hypotheticals to guide an interactive discussion with participants about promising practices in implementing non-criminalization policies for juvenile sex trafficking victims.

Meet the Speakers

Christine Raino, JD
Senior Director of Public Policy, Shared Hope International

Christine Raino joined Shared Hope International in 2011 as part of a new domestic policy initiative, and helped draft the legal analysis of the 50 states and District of Columbia that laid the foundation for the annual Protected Innocence Challenge Report Cards. Currently Christine leads the Center for Justice & Advocacy’s research and advocacy on state and federal laws pertaining to protections and services for juvenile sex trafficking victims. She directs legislative advocacy efforts to further the protection of child victims and provides technical assistance to legislators.

Eliza Reock
Strategic Advisor, Child Sex Trafficking, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC)

Eliza Reock is responsible for leveraging NCMEC’s existing efforts to combat child sex trafficking and provide services to the victims through the promotion of model policies, promising practices, and strategic partnerships. Previously Eliza served as Director of Programs for Shared Hope International and as Executive Director of the HKA Family Foundation. She has provided expert testimony to Congress and was selected to provide policy recommendations to President Jimmy Carter during the World Summit to Combat Human Trafficking.
Understanding the Creation of the Victim/Hostage Mindset

The baffling problem of why abused victims often remain in and go back to a harmful relationship is undergoing radical, new appraisal by mental health experts. They now say those victims exhibit a behavior that can develop in classic hostage situations. When viewed this way, a victim’s tendency is to deny the abuse, defend the perpetrator, accept the power imbalance, blame self and display learned helplessness as part of their struggle to survive. The purpose of a predator is to not only destroy the old identity of the victim(s) but also create a new “pseudo-personality” that holds the perpetrator’s own beliefs, values and ideas. This workshop shows this process.

Meet the Speaker

Kathie Mathis, Psy.D
CEO, California Cognitive Behavioral Institute

In her role with the Cognitive Behavioral Institute, Kathie Mathis provides cognitive behavioral interventions and preventions along with different therapeutic modalities to individuals. She is also the National Trainer for the National Women’s Coalition Against Violence and Exploitation and for the National Anger Management Association and California Association of Anger Management Providers. Kathie is state Domestic Violence Trainer and California Probation Trainer in Batterers Intervention Facilitator Certification. She holds various other certifications recognized across the country including certificates in drug/alcohol, domestic violence abuse and victimology, child abuse, sex offender and violent perpetrator, sex addiction, parenting, emotional addiction, relationship, high conflict relationships, human trafficking, anger management, Sociopathic Type Relationships and more. In addition, Kathie holds a Doctorate of Divinity degree.

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Safe Homes – Show me the Money!

This presentation will cover the realities of the financial needs for starting and running a successful safe home program. We will cover myths about state and federal funding and highlight the need for community collaboration and blended funding. Finally, a successful Safe Home provider will provide concrete actions for fiscal responsibility and stability.

*This session is repeated on Wednesday from 2 – 3:15 PM*

Meet the Speakers

**Ada McCloud**
*Human Trafficking and Child Exploitation Division, Texas Department of Families and Protective Services*

Ada McCloud is a Program Specialist in the Deputy Commissioner’s office. The Human Trafficking Team is implementing introductory and advanced training opportunities for all DFPS staff and working to expand the existing continuum of care services for trafficking victims by establishing formal relationships with stakeholders who are responding to the issues of human trafficking. Prior to joining DFPS, Ada served as a Program Administrator for Children’s Advocacy Center of Texas (CACTX) where she provided training and technical assistance to local CACs. Ada is a member of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children.

**Natasha Nascimento**
*Founding Executive Director, Redefining Refuge, Inc*

Born and raised in Johannesburg, South Africa, Natasha Nascimento’s diverse life experience cultivated a sensitivity to acknowledge and find ways to serve others in need. Natasha launched Redefining Refuge in 2010 with a strong emphasis on creating a specialized and innovative Safe House and Case Management Program. This goal became a reality in 2012, and remains the first and only Program of its kind in the Tampa Bay area that provides a therapeutic safe haven for girl’s ages 12-17 rescued from this depravity. Natasha has been invited to Florida’s Capitol to present both the challenges and successes of providing safe housing to minor victims of sex trafficking to the Florida House of Representatives as well as the Florida Stands Against Human Trafficking Legislative Caucus. She was featured as a trusted Resource Provider during the 2013 and 2015 Statewide Human Trafficking Summits at the University of South Florida.
Restoring the Soul:
Building and Supporting Black Resiliency after Trauma

Resiliency by definition means to return back to one’s original form. The black community has been subject to a brutal history that has built African Americans to be a strong and resilient people, but human trafficking continues to affect this community at an alarming rate. In this training, we will honor that resiliency while we explore the specific impact trafficking has on the black community and address how service providers, law enforcement and community members can effectively collaborate to ensure that black survivors are receiving support and services to meet their needs.

Meet the Speakers

Minette Valentine-Kamara
Regional Coalition Coordinator, Indiana Youth Services Association – Indiana Trafficking Victims Assistance Program (ITVAP)

Minette Valentine-Kamara is Coalition Coordinator for Region 1 of the ITVAP and also the co-chair of the Northern Indiana Anti-Trafficking Coalition. In her current role, Minette ensures there is a network of services to be provided to youth ages 21 and under who experience human trafficking in her region. She also trains law enforcement, health care workers, school staff, service providers, community members, and youth to identify and take action at the time trafficking is suspected. Minette is also the founder of Pearls of Wisdom International, an organization with the mission to increase availability and quality of education and resources for girls who are survivors of trafficking in Sierra Leone.

Angela Renfro
Survivor Leader, Founder and Executive Director, Kristy Love Foundation

Angela Renfro is a trafficking survivor who experienced victimization from ages 3 to 29. The Kristy Love Foundation which Angela founded in Louisville, Kentucky is a 501c3 organization that, for more than 9 years has served over 2,000 victims of trafficking and over 25,000 homeless or folks in need. The Kristy Love Foundation is a SURVIVOR-led, trauma informed program that provides comprehensive services for girls and women suffering from addiction, prostitution and human trafficking.
Meet the Speakers, con’t.

Morgan Rumple, MSW
Statewide SART Coordinator, Indiana Coalition to End Sexual Assault

In addition to her new role as Statewide SART Coordinator with the Indiana Coalition to End Sexual Assault Morgan Rumple is also the co-chair of the Southern Indiana Human Trafficking Coalition. In her current role, Morgan ensures there is a network of services to be provided to youth ages 21 and under who experience human trafficking in her region. She also trains law enforcement, health care workers, school staff, service providers, community members, and youth to identify and take action at the time trafficking is suspected. Morgan’s passion for working in this field originated with her experiences in South Africa and Turkey where she focused on issues facing women and children.

Kenneth Allen
Program Director, Indiana Youth Services Association – Indiana Trafficking Victims Assistance Program (ITVAP)

Kenneth Allen was born and raised in Gary, Indiana. He previously worked as a supervisor for the Marion County Superior Courts Juvenile Division and served as the Director of Senior Wellness for Forest Manor Multi Service Center. He currently serves as the Chair for the Indiana Commission on the Social Status of Black Males. In his current position with ITVAP Kenneth works side by side with the ten regional coordinators in securing resources and developing collations of service providers throughout the state of Indiana to assist victims of human trafficking.
In this two-part panel discussion we will cover how trauma and the effects of trafficking spill over into our relationships; we will discuss setting boundaries and finding community personally and professionally.

In Part I of this workshop the panel will address the issues and challenges survivors experience integrating and thriving within their local community, profession, and anti-trafficking movement. Both informational and conversational, this session will discuss both the roadblocks and successes experienced while collaborating with allies to utilize our expertise and unique perspective in a unified way. We will have an ‘ask it’ basket for submitting questions throughout the presentation. We invite you to come take part in this conversation.

Meet the Speakers

**Angie Conn**
*Mentor at Elevate Academy, Consultant at SheWhoDares Consulting; Rebecca Bender Initiative*

A survivor of domestic sex-trafficking, abuse, and addiction, Angie Conn strives to freely express her insight and knowledge to those with a desire to learn about the topics at hand. Her authenticity, joy, and resilient spirit engage her listeners, and not only leave them with tools to take back and use where they are, but also with the hope that there is healing, life, wholeness and joy after human trafficking. She has a natural gift of encouragement and is passionate about reaching out when and where she can. Angie is a mentor for RBI’s online Elevate Academy, sits on the National Survivor Network, WV Human Trafficking Task Force, and consults for the WV Department of Corrections, juvenile, and adult facilities.

**Kathy Bryan**
*Director of Elevate Academy, Rebecca Bender Initiative*

Kathy Bryan’s subject matter expertise, personal experience, and passion combine to yield empathetic mentoring and engaging trainings that encourage and empower. A speaker, advocate and author, she has worked with Rebecca Bender Initiative (RBI) since it was founded, currently serving as Director of Elevate Academy, mentoring hundreds of trafficking survivors, and training thousands of first responders and community service providers nationwide. Having survived sex trafficking as a young teen, Kathy knows intimately how real trafficking is in America, and how difficult the journey to true healing and peace is, if one survives. She is an active leader in her local church providing supportive listening, lay counseling, and small group leadership for over 20 years.
Meet the Speakers, con’t.

Jamie Rosseland
Survivor Mentor, Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center

Jamie Rosseland serves as the Survivor-Mentor at the Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center with the Open Doors Outreach Network. This network is unprecedented nationwide and will improve care, coordination and collective impact for child and adult victims of commercial sexual exploitation and trafficking up to the age of 24. For the first time in Florida’s history, trauma-informed and victim-centered practices that have demonstrated significant effectiveness in other states have been joined together into one transformative approach. By sharing her lived experiences and unique perspective, Jamie is driven to change the cultural view of the sex trade industry and promote survivor-led services.

Tammy Bitanga
Fund Development Coordinator, Hōōla Nā Pua

Tammy Bitanga is a leader at her home church Legacy Christian Church located on the Island of Oahu. At Hōōla Nā Pua (A New Life for Our Children) a Hawai‘i-based 501(c) 3 non-profit organization whose mission is to provide a path to renewal for girls who have been commercially sexually exploited (CSEC) through a comprehensive and holistic approach of Health, Education, Advocacy, and Reintegration, Tammy oversees the Annual Gala and Golf Tournament. She also coordinates speaking engagements, awareness events and fund raising events. She uses her powerful testimony as a CSEC survivor to convey the reality and scope of Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children in the Hawaii islands.
Forensic Experiential Trauma Interviews: Part I

A Trauma Informed Experience

When human beings experience trauma, they undergo a process that many professionals—as well as the individuals themselves—do not understand. Therefore, when the criminal justice system responds to the report of a crime, most professionals are trained to obtain “who, what, where, why, when and how.” Yet, trying to collect information about a traumatic event in this way may inhibit important psychophysiological evidence and the accuracy of the details provided. Some victims are capable of providing this type of information in a limited fashion. However, most trauma victims are not only unable to accurately provide this type of information, but, when they are asked to do so, may inadvertently provide inaccurate information and details. Consequently, fact finders may become suspicious of the information provided. The Forensic Experiential Trauma Interview (FETI) was designed to change all of this. Proven to be a game changer in the investigation and prosecution of many forms of violence, this interview technique draws on the best practices of child forensic interviews, critical incident stress management, and neuroscience combining them all into a simple three-pronged approach that unlocks the trauma experience in a way that we as professionals can better understand.

Meet the Speaker

Russel Strand
Partner and Co-founder, SHIFT, LLC

In addition to co-founding SHIFT, Russel Strand is an independent consultant, educator, and presenter. Russ is a retired Federal Special Agent and retired Chief of the Behavioral Sciences Education & Training Division, United States Army Military Police School, with an excess of 40 years in law enforcement, investigative, and consultation experience. He is an internationally recognized expert in the areas of domestic violence intervention, critical incident peer support, sexual assault and child abuse investigations, human trafficking, forensic interviews, response to trauma, and culture change. Russ was inducted into the United States Army Military Police Regimental Hall of Fame. He was also selected to receive the 2012 End Violence Against Women International Visionary Award in recognition of his impact, vision, and leadership in ending violence against women around the world. Russ is unconditionally dedicated to continue his work to build a world that doesn’t currently exist… a world in which every victim of abuse and trauma has confidence in reporting their experience, has a genuine voice that is truly heard, and a world in which all professionals responding to trauma and abuse are properly educated and feel confident in all they do.
Working with Parents of Commercially Sexually Exploited Youth

Being a parent of a child that has been commercially sexually exploited evokes negative emotions and presents many challenges. Working with these families can be challenging for the professionals in this field as well. Using both videos and discussion with participants, this presentation will highlight how a parent’s trauma can affect their interaction with the system and the importance of utilizing trauma informed care when working with parents.

Meet the Speakers

Casi Knowles, LMHC
Clinical Coordinator, Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health, Florida

Casi Knowles works with Devereux as the DELTA Clinical Coordinator. The DELTA Treatment Track is the identified treatment program throughout the Devereux continuum of care for victims/survivors of CSEC. Prior to moving to Florida in 2013, Casi lived in the Atlanta, Georgia area where she worked with children in foster care for nine years. For four years, Casi provided administrative oversight to a safe home for CSEC with Georgia Baptist Children’s Homes.

Erin Wirsing, MSW
Program Manager, Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health, Florida

Erin Wirsing is the Program Manager for the DELTA Program, which is the identified treatment track throughout the Devereux continuum of care for victims/survivors of CSE. Erin has extensive knowledge in serving exploited youth and adults, working with the Salvation Army and the STOP-IT Program in Chicago, Illinois for approximately 6 years before moving to Florida. Erin has experience in case coordination, advocacy, outreach, consultation, program development, and training.
In Plain Sight:

America’s Unseen Children of Familial Trafficking

Familial Trafficking is perhaps the most undocumented form of human trafficking and is harder to detect because of the various revolving components to this horrific crime. This workshop will discuss the perception from a survivor whose abuse was missed by many community members, law enforcement and schools, even though the signs were there. It will provide insight as to why minors do not come forward and how community members can work to prevent familial trafficking.

Meet the Speaker

Kelly Dore

Executive Director, National Human Trafficking Survivor Coalition

Kelly Dore owns a counseling practice and has worked with survivors of child sex abuse for 20 years, while also working extensively with Government and NGO Organizations designed to combat child sex abuse. She is a survivor of familial trafficking and testified against her trafficker at 15 years old. This experience led her to look at the justice system and the relationships between Prosecutors and minor victims. Kelly is also a former Legislator and works to educate and advocate for best practice laws in State and the US Capitol. As the founder and Executive Director of the National Human Trafficking Survivor Coalition, a non-profit that bridges communication between survivors and organizations, she helps design and create laws with survivor input and advocacy, educating medical professionals, educators and lawmakers on the best Trauma Informed Care practices and prevention. She is the author of a familial trafficking identification guide for medical professionals and educators.
At the Margins: The Sex Trafficking of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Youth

LGBTQ+ youth are victimized by sex trafficking at a rate that is likely disproportionately greater than their non-LGBTQ+ peers. Yet, they face a lack of culturally competent services that are safe for them. Let’s change that! Drawing on our common values of promoting the health, safety, and well-being of all youth, this workshop addresses how we—youth-serving professionals—can better support LGBTQ+ victims of sex trafficking. Through a series of activities and brief presentations, the workshop will cover terminology and concepts related to sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression and an overview of available research on risk factors and experiences unique to LGBTQ+ youth. Participants will also have an opportunity to begin to develop a strategic plan to better support LGBTQ+ victims. Professionals who have questions, concerns, or are apprehensive about this topic are encouraged to attend; this is a safe space to dialogue with your peers.

Meet the Speakers

Nicholas Oakley, JD
Senior Projects Manager, Center for Children & Youth Justice

Nicholas Oakley oversees initiatives related to CSEC and LGBTQ+ youth at the Center for Children & Youth Justice, work that is based on close partnerships with the juvenile justice and child welfare systems. He convenes both leaders and front line workers from these sectors to develop reform proposals to policy and practice, coordinates the pilot implementation of the reforms, and advocates for widespread adoption of the reforms once they have been evaluated. Prior to joining the Center, Nicholas represented youth and families in juvenile offender, dependency, education, domestic, and criminal matters. He also served as a lecturer in the University of Washington School of Law Child and Youth Advocacy Clinic.

Dae Shogren
LGBTQ+/Disproportionality/Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) HQ Program Manager, DCYF Office of Child Welfare

Before joining the Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF), Dae Shogren spent nearly 20 years in the private sector supporting children, youth, and young adults with agencies such as Community Youth Services, Thurston County Family & Juvenile Court, Mountlake Terrace School District, University of Washington Reconnecting Youth program, and the Crisis Clinic of Thurston/Mason Counties. Throughout her career, she has worked on behalf of the communities’ most vulnerable and marginalized populations with a consistent integration through mentorship, partnering with key agencies, and leadership. In Olympia, Dae serves as Co-Administrator for RENEWS Women’s Group, and serves as the Board VP with Empowerment 4 Girls.
Clinical Services for CSEC Survivors: 
Adapting Current Treatment

This workshop will review three evidence-based treatments for child trauma that are being adapted for CSEC survivors by examining treatment components. Trauma Focus-Cognitive Behavior Therapy (TF-CBT), and modified TF-CBT for more complex trauma cases, as well as Risk Reduction through Family Therapy (RRFT) will be discussed. This workshop will help clinicians determine which therapeutic approach to use with CSEC clients for optimal results. Consideration of the client’s trauma history, presenting problems and diagnoses are factors that will be explored in treatment selection. This presentation will utilize real case studies to help practitioners decide which evidence-based treatment would best be applied. As an intermediate level workshop, the assumption is that participants are already familiar with these treatments.

Meet the Speakers

Josefina Costa, LMHC
Clinical Supervisor, Kristi House, Inc.

Josefina Costa oversees a mental health staff of 15 masters level and licensed therapists. She has 25 years of experience working with traumatized children and families in child welfare. Her team provides evidenced-based intervention for children who have been sexually abused, physically abused and commercially sexually exploited. Josefina has led her team in a year-long training and practice in Risk Reduction through Family Therapy, a substance abuse and trauma-focused modality that is a promising practice for high-risk youth including sex trafficking survivors. Her team has also devoted the past year to study and practice in the adaptation of TF-CBT for CSEC. Both Community-based Learning Collaboratives are part of Kristi House's C-START project, supported by SAMHSA to identify an effective intervention for survivors of trafficking.

Marta Martinez Hasty, LCSW
Project GOLD Supervising Director, Kristi House, Inc.

Marta Martinez Hasty has served Kristi House in a variety of capacities since 2007 including in this role, as a therapist and as a board member since 2007. Most recently at Project GOLD and in private practice she has provided therapy to female survivors of sex trafficking. She is working with the Kristi House clinical team in adaptations of evidence-based practices to identify intervention(s) effective with this population typically overcoming complex trauma.
School Personnel:
The Missing Link in CSEC Identification

This presentation will outline the multidisciplinary approach in training school personnel to respond to child sexual abuse and child exploitation. Illustrating collaboration of the County Office of Education, Rape Crisis Center, Law Enforcement and Child Advocacy Center, this presentation will take participants through a step-by-step process to successfully work through a CSEC protocol in the school setting, using parallel investigations.

Meet the Speakers

Jeneé Littrell
Administrator, Safe and Supportive Schools, San Mateo County Office of Education

Jeneé Littrell has more than 20 years experience as a strategic leader and innovator implementing effective community programs and supports for students. She recently authored Human Trafficking in America’s Schools with the Department of Education. This guide is based on the CSEC prevention model that she created in Grossmont Union High School District and serves as a resource for schools across the nation. In 2013 Jeneé served as a member of the White House Advisory Committee in charge of developing the federal strategic action plan on services for victims for human trafficking. In 2014, she testified at a United States Senate hearing on Combatting Child Trafficking. In 2015, Jeneé was named Citizen of the Year by the Department of Justice and the Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Amanda LeBlanc Freeman
Program Director, Rape Trauma Services: A Center for Healing and Violence Prevention

Amanda LeBlanc Freeman is a survivor, advocate and non-profit professional. With 22 years of experience, Amanda has worked on multi-disciplinary teams, training, program management and peer counseling. Becoming a California State Certified Sexual Assault Counselor in 1996, Amanda facilitated prevention education to over 10,000 students and mandated reporter training to 5,000 school personnel. Over 18 years, Amanda continued her work in nonprofits, always bringing her work back to trauma informed care and systems. As Program Director of Rape Trauma Services, she quickly became a service provider leader in the San Mateo County CSEC MDT team and Sexual Assault Response Team Advisory Committee, working across disciplines to serve survivors, both in direct service and by way of systems improvements.
Trauma, Triumph, and Teamwork:

Building Community within the Movement

In this two-part panel discussion we will cover how trauma and the effects of trafficking spill over into our relationships; we will discuss setting boundaries and finding community personally and professionally.

In Part II of this workshop this panel will focus on the intricacies of building community within the realm of true collaboration between survivors and agencies. We will focus on becoming truly inclusive partners in the anti-trafficking movement. The panel will cover topics like navigating potential roadblocks to sincere communication and demystifying working with survivor leaders. This will be a lively exploration leading any member of the movement to feel equipped to do battle as part of a team.

Meet the Speakers

Gretchen Smeltzer
Executive Director & Co-Founder, Into the Light
A leader in the fight against child sex-trafficking, Gretchen Smeltzer co-founded Into the Light, an organization fighting childhood sexual abuse and exploitation since 2015. Into the Light uses a three-prong approach of prevention, identification, and advocacy to address the issues of minor sex trafficking and exploitation. She partnered with other national organizations to bring Traps of the Trafficker, a prevention program to Arkansas. It has been instrumental in both educating at-risk youth, and facilitating self-identification, resulting in those children getting the assistance they need. Gretchen is an excellent connector, excelling at training and collaborating with law enforcement, social services, and community organizations.

Bethany Gilot
Statewide Human Trafficking Prevention Director, Florida Department of Children and Families
Bethany Gilot joined state-level anti-trafficking efforts in 2014, first serving a similar role for the Department of Juvenile Justice before joining DCF. Prior to working at the state level, she gained valuable experience working at NGOs serving sex trafficking survivors in both Florida and India. Bethany has direct care and program development experience working with both adult and minor female survivors at multiple levels of the continuum of care. Currently she oversees implementation of statutory mandates as well as all of the Department’s efforts to identify and serve minor survivors.

Katryn Haley-Little, LICSW
Clinical Director, My Life My Choice
Katryn Haley-Little joined My Life My Choice in 2017 to provide clinical leadership to the mentor-ing program and to ensure the survivor mentors have the resources necessary to provide trauma-informed care. Katryn also provides support for programs partnering with MLMC to increase awareness and understanding of the impact of exploitation. Her professional experience includes over 10 years of providing services to youth who have been impacted by trauma; those include therapeutic residential services to youth who have substance abuse and mental health concerns and/or are involved in the justice system, emergency psychiatric evaluations for children and youth, and outpatient clinical services for youth and adults.

To review the bios of Angie Conn, Kathy Bryan, Jamie Rosseland and Tammy Bitanga, please see Part I on pages 41-42.
9 Reasons Why Men Solicit, and How to End the Demand

Why do men solicit? That’s a complex question, but one we must strive to answer if we’re ever going to reduce the demand for juvenile sex trafficking in the United States. While some women pay for sex, the fact is, most of that demand is coming from men. No national or scientific research exists on the factors that fuel the demand for sex trafficking, but this class will explore some studies that have focused on the connection between issues like pornography and prostitution. It will also offer 9 reasons why men solicit based on first-hand research I conducted during a John School program in Ohio for men who were mostly first-time offenders with no record of violence.

Meet the Speaker

Christopher Stollar

*Demand Reduction Coordinator, Board Member, She Has a Name; Author*

In his role with She Has A Name, an Ohio nonprofit that fights juvenile sex trafficking in the United States, Christopher Stollar works directly with men who have been arrested for soliciting through an innovative john school program. He is also the award-winning author of *The Black Lens*, a dark literary thriller that exposes the underbelly of sex trafficking in rural America. This, his debut novel, won grand prize in the 2016 Writer’s Digest Self-Published e-Book Awards. It also became a finalist in the Indie Book Awards and a semifinalist in the Book Pipeline Competition. As a former reporter with a master’s degree in journalism, Christopher conducted more than three years of research for *The Black Lens*, including interviews with juvenile survivors, social workers and police officers. Christopher donates 10 percent of his book earnings to organizations that battle modern slavery: http://christopherstollar.com/.
In this presentation we will share a comprehensive case study involving five pimps that trafficked multiple women in the Chicagoland area. The case study will focus on the manipulative and sadistic nature of force and violence employed by Justin Cephus and his four cohorts. We will also discuss the victims’ testimony at trial and the successful prosecution of the five defendants.

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**Meet the Speakers**

**Mike Barker, MSW**  
Special Agent, FBI, United States Attorney Northern District of Indiana  

Michael Barker has been a Special Agent with the FBI since 2008, and primarily works Violent Crimes Against Children matters. Prior to joining the FBI, he worked as a clinician for the Department of Children and Family Service in Idaho where he provided behavioral analysis, counseling, and analytical services for child protection and endangerment cases, with a primary focus on endangered youth.

**Carrie Landau, MCJ**  
Special Agent, FBI, United States Attorney Northern District of Indiana  

Carrie Landau is a Special Agent and a 15 year veteran of the FBI. Carrie works Violent Crimes Against Children and is assigned to the Chicago Division, South Resident Agency, where she specializes in investigations involving domestic minor sex trafficking and child abductions. She is an Assistant Team Leader for the Crisis Negotiation Team, Chicago FBI, and is a member of the Child Abduction Rapid Deployment Team. Carrie has recently been qualified as an expert witness with respect to domestic minor sex trafficking.
Advancing the Comprehensive Collaborative:
The Next Level Model

This session will address how Utah’s established multidisciplinary teams, partnerships, and taskforces take their collaborations to the next level. As leading task force collaborators, we will discuss the organization of the Utah Trafficking in Persons Taskforce and how, through our survivor-focused approach, we are creating a statewide response protocol, a training and education program, private sector service partnerships, a strike force involving law enforcement and prosecution, and a screening tool intervention and medical response network. These elevated efforts are showing initial successes in our work to better serve victims of trafficking. We will share our approach, our ongoing projects, and our successes.

Meet the Speakers

**Dan Strong, JD**
Assistant Attorney General and Special Assistant United States Attorney, Utah Attorney General’s Office

Daniel Strong is currently assigned to prosecute all Human Trafficking cases brought in by the Utah Attorney General’s Office. Dan has worked as a Special Assistant United States Attorney for the Project Safe Neighborhoods program, as a Deputy City Prosecutor for West Valley City, Utah, and as a Deputy District Attorney in Contra Costa County, California.

**Allison Smith, MSW**
Trafficking in Persons Education and Outreach Specialist, Refugee & Immigrant Center, Asian Association of Utah

Allison Smith has a long history in teaching and advocacy for children and families. Previously, she served as the Statewide Coordinator for the Office of Drug Endangered Children for the Nevada Attorney General. Through the course of her work in Nevada, she saw and worked with many individuals who had experienced human trafficking. Now, in her current role with the Asian Association of Utah, she is training a multitude of disciplines and developing collaboratives throughout Utah.

**Larissa Hines, MD**
Child Abuse Pediatrician, Safe & Healthy Families, Primary Children’s Hospital & University of Utah School of Medicine

Larissa Hines completed her pediatrics residency at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center and is currently in the final year of her fellowship training in Child Abuse Pediatrics at the University of Utah, joining faculty in July 2018. Her interests are in ethics, teen dating violence, and foster care youth. Larissa is currently working to increase screening for dating violence and human trafficking with implementation of a teen screening tool.
Meet the Speakers, con’t.

Russell Smith, JD
Assistant Attorney General, Director
SECURE Strike Force, Utah Attorney
General’s Office, Justice Division

After an extensive prosecutorial career, in 2013, Russell Smith created the Human Trafficking Unit in the Nevada Attorney General’s Office to begin prosecuting this crime under the newly passed human trafficking law and to educate agencies and communities throughout the state about human trafficking. He also promoted the development of the Safe Childhood initiative to provide services for those who were human trafficked. From 2015-2016, he worked in the United States Territory of American Samoa to bolster their prosecution efforts in human trafficking. In 2016, Russell returned to the mainland, to the Utah Attorney General’s office, and became the Section Director of the SECURE Strike Force which prosecutes human trafficking throughout the state.

Corey Rood, MD
Child Abuse Pediatrician, Primary Children’s Hospital and the University Of Utah School Of Medicine

Corey Rood is faculty with the Center for Safe and Healthy Families at Primary Children’s Hospital. As a child abuse pediatrician, his work focuses on the diagnosis, care, and management of potentially abused and neglected children. Dr. Rood’s clinical and research interests and expertise include CSEC and human trafficking, both international and domestic. He is an active member of the American Academy of Pediatrics, its Section On Child Abuse & Neglect, and the Ray Helfer Society. He recently spent three years as medical representation on Ohio’s Human Trafficking Task Force and is now a medical representative on Utah’s Trafficking in Persons (UTIP) Task Force Executive Committee and Co-Chair of the UTIP Medical Subcommittee.

Alessandra Amato
TIP Program Youth Specialist, Trafficking in Person Program; Refugee & Immigrant Center Asian Association of Utah

As the Youth Specialist for the Trafficking in Persons Program, Alessandra works directly with youth survivors of sex and labor trafficking through a trauma-informed and client-centered approach. She is also the facilitator of several psychoeducational groups for the prevention of commercial sexual exploitation that she runs among the homeless youth population and in teen residential treatment facilities. Prior to joining the TIP Program, Alessandra worked for several years with the newly resettled refugee population with youth and women survivors of sexual violence.
Law Enforcement’s Best Kept Secret

Did you know that the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) has an entire team of Analysts dedicated to responding to child sex trafficking cases? Did you know NCMEC has donated access to some of the most cutting edge tools and technology to assist law enforcement with free resources? Did you know we have case managers that can help provide support to parents and social workers while you focus on your investigation? If not, you are not alone – over the years we have earned the nickname, “law enforcement’s best kept secret.” But here’s the thing – we don’t want to be a secret and we want to provide law enforcement access to our resources for free! Come learn about the vast wealth of support we can provide to you and your department, along with examples of successful cases where NCMEC provided support.

Meet the Speakers

Eliza Reock
Strategic Advisor, Child Sex Trafficking, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

Eliza Reock is responsible for leveraging NCMEC’s existing efforts to combat child sex trafficking and provide services to the victims through the promotion of model policies, promising practices, and strategic partnerships. Previously Eliza served as Director of Programs for Shared Hope International and as Executive Director of the HKA Family Foundation. She has provided expert testimony to Congress and was selected to provide policy recommendations to President Jimmy Carter during the World Summit to Combat Human Trafficking.

Tiffany Henderson
Supervisor, Child Sex Trafficking Team, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

Tiffany Henderson has been with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) since 2015 and is responsible for the daily operational oversight and management of ten analysts. This team of analysts is dedicated to supporting the FBI and other local/state law enforcement agencies who are working to identify and recover child victims of trafficking, as well as to identify and prosecute individuals involved in trafficking children. She has previous law enforcement experience working five years in various positions at the Multnomah County Sheriff’s Office and as a Criminal Research Specialist for the Joint Tactical and Strategic Analytical Command Center for the Metropolitan Police Department in Washington DC.
Forensic Experiential Trauma Interviews:

A Trauma Informed Experience

When human beings experience trauma, they undergo a process that many professionals—as well as the individuals themselves—do not understand. Therefore, when the criminal justice system responds to the report of a crime, most professionals are trained to obtain “who, what, where, why, when and how.” Yet, trying to collect information about a traumatic event in this way may inhibit important psychophysiological evidence and the accuracy of the details provided. Some victims are capable of providing this type of information in a limited fashion. However, most trauma victims are not only unable to accurately provide this type of information, but, when they are asked to do so, may inadvertently provide inaccurate information and details. Consequently, fact finders may become suspicious of the information provided. The Forensic Experiential Trauma Interview (FETI) was designed to change all of this. Proven to be a game changer in the investigation and prosecution of many forms of violence, this interview technique draws on the best practices of child forensic interviews, critical incident stress management, and neuroscience combining them all into a simple three-pronged approach that unlocks the trauma experience in a way that we as professionals can better understand.

Meet the Speaker

Russel Strand
Partner and Co-founder, SHIFT, LLC

In addition to co-founding SHIFT, Russel Strand is an independent consultant, educator, and presenter. Russ is a retired Federal Special Agent and retired Chief of the Behavioral Sciences Education & Training Division, United States Army Military Police School, with an excess of 40 years in law enforcement, investigative, and consultation experience. He is an internationally recognized expert in the areas of domestic violence intervention, critical incident peer support, sexual assault and child abuse investigations, human trafficking, forensic interviews, response to trauma, and culture change. Russ was inducted into the United States Army Military Police Regimental Hall of Fame. He was also selected to receive the 2012 End Violence Against Women International Visionary Award in recognition of his impact, vision, and leadership in ending violence against women around the world. Russ is unconditionally dedicated to continue his work to build a world that doesn't currently exist... a world in which every victim of abuse and trauma has confidence in reporting their experience, has a genuine voice that is truly heard, and a world in which all professionals responding to trauma and abuse are properly educated and feel confident in all they do.
Creating a CSEC Collaborative Court:
San Diego County Juvenile RISE Court Model

In this presentation, we will share how San Diego County created its RISE (Resiliency Is Strength and Empowerment) Court, a collaborative, engaged, and informed program that uses a multidisciplinary approach to address the needs of delinquent youth who are victims, or at risk, of commercial sexual exploitation (CSE). Creating a CSEC court begins with various county agencies such as Probation, Child Welfare Services, Behavioral health services, District Attorney’s and Public Defender’s Offices and the Superior Court. These agencies partner with survivor leaders and direct victim services providers to develop the mission statement, screening and eligibility process and curriculum. We will also discuss the trauma-focused and harm reduction approach to case planning and resources for building inner strength and empowering CSEC youth and their caregivers. Finally, we will share the data domain that RISE court collects when a youth is accepted into RISE, during RISE and after participation in RISE Court.

Meet the Speakers

Fanny Yu, JD
Deputy District Attorney, San Diego County District Attorney’s Office

Fanny Yu has been a prosecutor at the San Diego County District Attorney’s Office for over 14 years with expertise in human trafficking and CSEC. Fanny supervises juvenile justice cases involving CSEC youth and is the CSEC liaison to other county agencies. She was instrumental in the development of San Diego’s RISE court, a multi-disciplinary, trauma informed, victim centered delinquency collaborative court focused on at risk and commercially sexually exploited youth and serves as the dedicated prosecutor. She trains other prosecutors, law enforcement, social workers, dependency attorneys, health care providers, schools, and non-profit organization volunteers regarding human trafficking and CSEC. She is a member of the San Diego County Regional Human Trafficking and CSEC Advisory Council, San Diego Human Trafficking Task Force, San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, and Child Welfare Services CSEC Steering Committee.
Meet the Speakers, con’t.

**Tyra Myles**

*Supervising Probation Officer, San Diego County Probation Department*

Tyra Myles has served as probation officer for 20 years and for the past five years she has focused on the rehabilitation and empowerment of girls, to include those who are victims of CSEC. She is the vice-chair of the law enforcement subcommittee of the San Diego County Human Trafficking and Commercial Exploitation of Children Advisory Council and serves on the San Diego County CSEC Steering Committee. She is also a founding member of the RISE Court multi-disciplinary team. She has been instrumental in the implementation of CSEC assessment and programming in the probation department’s institutions.

**Leticia Bombardier**

*Probation Supervisor, San Diego Probation Department*

Recently retired after 26 years of service with the San Diego County Probation Department, Leticia Bombardier served in a wide variety of assignments including juvenile institutions, adult and juvenile investigations, staff development and juvenile home supervision. She had been the Juvenile Field Services primary liaison for Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) and a member of the San Diego County CSEC Steering Committee from 2015-2018. As CSEC Liaison she was responsible for training Probation Officers on CSEC awareness, the CSEC Identification tool, and changes in the law; as well as developing training and creating policy and procedures for the department. She is currently serving juvenile justice youth as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) with Voices for Children.
Building Blocks of a Successful Survivor Mentoring Program

My Life My Choice (MLMC), based in Boston, MA is a survivor-led organization that offers survivor mentorship to youth who have been exploited or who are at-risk of exploitation. With extensive experience MLMC has produced a set of best practices for survivor-led services, and survivor mentoring. In this session, presenters will provide the results of a longitudinal study of 41 youth who received MLMC survivor mentoring. Presenters will discuss quantitative survey data from baseline and twelve-month follow-up, as well as qualitative data from youth interviews. Outcomes include substance use, dating abuse victimization, CSEC victimization, housing stability, future aspirations, and other indicators. Using this data as a foundation, presenters will explore best practices in developing a survivor mentoring program.

Meet the Speakers

**Audrey Morrissey**  
*Associate Director, My Life My Choice*

In addition to her role at MLMC, Audrey Morrissey has served as Co-Chair of the Victim Services Committee of the Massachusetts Task Force on Human Trafficking. She has also served as a primary consultant to the Massachusetts Administrative Office of the Trial Court’s “Redesigning the Court’s Response to Prostitution” project. She founded My Life My Choice’s Survivor Leadership program in 2004 when she became the first survivor leader to mentor adolescent girls in Massachusetts. Morrissey serves as the primary national trainer for the organization as well as coordinating its survivor leadership efforts. She is a 2008 recipient of the prestigious Petra Foundation Fellowship and a 2012 recipient of The Philanthropic Initiative’s Boston Neighborhood Fellows Award.

**Katryn Haley-Little, LICSW**  
*Clinical Director, My Life My Choice*

Katryn Haley-Little joined My Life My Choice in 2017 to provide clinical leadership to the mentoring program and to ensure the survivor mentors have the resources necessary to provide trauma-informed care. Katryn also provides support for programs partnering with MLMC to increase awareness and understanding of the impact of exploitation. Her professional experience includes over 10 years of providing services to youth who have been impacted by trauma; those include therapeutic residential services to youth who have substance abuse and mental health concerns and/or are involved in the justice system, emergency psychiatric evaluations for children and youth, and outpatient clinical services for youth and adults.
Bringing Behavioral Health and Law Enforcement Together for a Common Cause

One of the hardest tasks when “rescuing” juveniles is seeing them run away before treatment has begun. Both law enforcement and behavioral health care service providers have their challenges in getting these children the services they need when faced with this barrier. This workshop will explore how the two agencies came together with the collaboration of the Department of Child Safety (DCS), ST. Luke’s Behavioral Health Hospital and DCS contracted placements, to ensure immediate treatment and intervention for these identified youth. We will focus on the need for collaboration, identifying key players, developing a process to fit the need of your community, and implementation. We will also discuss the barriers, strengths and hurdles we have endured.

Meet the Speakers

**Mark Doty**  
*Vice Enforcement Sergeant, Phoenix Police Department*

Mark Doty is a 24 year veteran of the Phoenix Police Department in Phoenix, AZ. For the last 3 ½ years, Mark has supervised the department’s Vice Enforcement Unit and was a former Vice Enforcement Detective. Mark also sits as the department’s supervisor over the FBI Human Trafficking Task Force. Mark supervises an undercover squad responsible for proactive enforcement related to sex and labor trafficking, customer demand reduction and the dismantling of illegal enterprises related to human trafficking. He has supervised numerous investigations involving domestic and international human trafficking organizations.

**Lisa Lucchesi**  
*Child Welfare Program Coordinator, Mercy Care*

Lisa Lucchesi has worked in the child welfare system in Arizona since 2004. She started her career working for The Department Of Child Safety as a case aide, a case manager and then became a supervisor in the Young Adult Program. In 2015 Lisa took a new position at the Regional Health Authority in Maricopa County, Mercy Care. As Child Welfare Program Coordinator she was given the task of developing a collaborative process with Phoenix Police Department and DCS in getting an immediate assessment on trafficked youth once they are recovered. In addition to being a social worker, Lisa has also been trained to train Human Trafficking 101 and continues to train state group homes, foster placements, staff and other stakeholders on human trafficking awareness and identification.
Youth Trafficked in Early Childhood, Complex PTSD and Dissociative Identity Disorder: Clinical Presentation and Response

Exploitation in early childhood can cause potentially life-long effects including Complex PTSD and Dissociative Identity Disorder (“DID.”) Participants attending this workshop will grasp not only the role of exploitation in the development definitions of these two disorders, but come to understand the neurological changes that occur how they develop, their presentation, and how to generally respond to child victims with whom they come into contact who suffer with these disorders. The first half of this session will provide an overview of Complex PTSD and interventions for children at home and in the school setting, including how first responders can more effectively interact with these children. The second half will then discuss DID in young children, appropriate parental and educator responses and treatment services necessary for these children. Helpful materials will be provided.

Meet the Speaker

Danett B. Williams, Ed.S.
School Psychologist and Mental Health Clinician, KIPP Bay Area Schools

Danett B. Williams, school psychologist, currently works at San Carlos School District focusing on behavioral intervention and consultation for children presenting with socioemotional and behavioral challenges. Formerly, Danett pioneered a Therapeutic Partial Day Treatment Program for emotionally disturbed students at a public TK-8 charter school in the underserved area of East Oakland. Her focus is working with children suffering from trauma who struggle with PTSD, dissociative disorders, attachment disorders, and whom experience severe externalizing and internalizing behaviors. Danett concentrates on viewing her student’s difficulties through a neurodevelopmental lens. Danett’s passion in working with familial trafficking can be traced back to her childhood spent within the foster care system. She has trained at Foster Care Kinship regarding the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and conditions resultant from early childhood exploitation.
Compassion Recharge:
How to Identify Burnout and Maximize Resilience

Compassion fatigue is characterized as a decrease in empathy available to help clients surviving trauma. This emotional depletion can be caused by experiencing secondary traumatic stress, job burnout or moral distress. Cumulative secondary and primary stress can lead to physical and mental health issues. While stress is unavoidable for helping professionals, early identification of physical, behavioral and psychological signs of compassion fatigue allows for prompt intervention and self-care. Identification of symptoms in colleagues facilitates the engagement of social support, improving the workplace for both staff and clients. This presentation will distinguish different types of stress, outline indicators of imbalance and strategies to mitigate the important but demanding job of supporting victims of human trafficking.

Meet the Speaker

Alexis Kennedy, PhD, JD
Associate Professor, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Alexis Kennedy’s areas of research interest include trauma, child abuse, sexual assault, exploitation through prostitution, domestic violence and compassion fatigue. Alexis received her law degree in 1993 and her Ph.D. in Forensic Psychology in 2004. Her doctoral dissertation on cross-cultural perceptions of child abuse won two American Psychological Association Awards (Divisions 37 and 41) and a Canadian Psychological Association Laureate. She has testified in court, spoken throughout the United States and is quoted frequently in the media on issues of exploitation and abuse. She has received grants to study crime in Clark County, Nevada and has been involved in the Southern Nevada Human Trafficking task force since its inception in 2006. Alexis is a certified compassion fatigue trainer and has provided resiliency trainings to law enforcement, prosecutors, judges, firemen, nurses and other first responders.
Case Study of the “Apple Dumpling Gang”
Sex Trafficking Ring in Colorado

In this presentation we will review “The Apple Dumpling Gang,” a case study which yielded the largest sentence of a human trafficker in US History (472 years-LIFE). The case highlights the use of the proactive high risk model and the human trafficking victim identification tool, which was instrumental in identifying the first juvenile victim. We will discuss the investigation, involving a multi-pimping operation and multiple victims, long-term victim assistance efforts and services, and intelligence efforts, demonstrating a multidisciplinary approach. This session may contain content and imagery not suitable for all audiences; attendee discretion is advised.

Meet the Speakers

Anne Darr
Victim Specialist, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Anne Darr entered the FBI in May 2008 and is currently assigned to the Denver Field Office as a Victim Specialist. She is embedded on the Rocky Mountain Innocence Lost Task Force which works to combat domestic minor sex trafficking and the Colorado Trafficking and Organized Crime Coalition Task Force, which works to combat adult sex and labor trafficking. She is the founder of the Front Range Anti-Trafficking Coalition, which is a collaboration of local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies working together with NGOs to provide comprehensive victim-centered services to trafficking victims.

Whitney Orndorff, PhD
Staff Operations Specialist, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Whitney Orndorff received her PhD in Public Safety Leadership from Capella University. Her dissertation concerned burnout and secondary traumatic stress factors in investigators of child pornography offenses. Whitney has been a Staff Operations Specialist with the Denver FBI since 2011 and is a member of Denver's Evidence Response Team. She is an Adjunct Faculty Member for the FBI, certified in Violent Crimes Against Children and Crime Scene Investigation (ERT). Whitney is a member of the Rocky Mountain Innocence Lost Task Force and the Denver Innocent Images Task Force.

Penelope Gallegos
Trooper-Detective, Rocky Mountain Innocence Lost Task Force FBI Division

Penelope Gallegos has been employed with the Colorado State Patrol for 23.5 years. She was recognized as Police Officer of the year and Trooper of the Year twice and was also awarded the medal of valor. Penelope is deputized as a Special Deputy United States Marshal and is currently assigned to the Rocky Mountain Innocence Lost Task Force FBI Division. She proactively investigates, identifies, apprehends and prosecutes those engaged in the CSEC. She serves on a multi-disciplinary team to combat human trafficking of minors in Colorado and currently holds the honor for producing the top two largest sentences for human trafficking in the state—one pimp receiving 248 years and the second receiving 472 years to life.
**kNOw MORE!**

Drama-Based Human Trafficking Awareness & Prevention Curriculum for Middle & High School Youth

kNOw MORE! is a California Standard aligned, sex trafficking awareness and prevention curriculum, for middle and high school youth. It was developed to deliver a comprehensive and engaging program to equip youth to take action for themselves and their peers. kNOw MORE! is facilitated by a Survivor Advocate in collaboration with a Teaching Artist/Joker and a team of college age actors. At the center of the curriculum is a dramatic method called Forum theatre with a twofold function: 1) providing a realistic narrative of a high school age sex trafficking victim and the vulnerabilities and red flags in the central character’s life and 2) serving as an interactive device to offer youth the opportunity to practice being Upstanders by inviting young people to role-play through different choices they could make to empower themselves or potential peer victims within a human trafficking scenario.

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**Meet the Speakers**

**Catherine Hanna Schrock, MA**  
*Artistic Director and Program Manager, kNOw MORE!, Center for Justice and Reconciliation, Point Loma Nazarene University*

Catherine Hanna Schrock is a San Diego-based Applied Theater Practitioner, which unites her roles as a performance artist, educator and activist. Through the Center for Justice and Reconciliation of Point Loma Nazarene University, Catherine designed and facilitates an interactive theater performance developed for human trafficking awareness and prevention. She is the Co-Founder and Associate Artistic Director for Blindsight Collective. She also works with various local and international organizations such as The Old Globe Theater, The Global Immersion Project and others. She has an MA in Educational Theater from New York University and a BA in Sociology and International Development.

**Jessica Kim**  
*Program Facilitator, kNOw MORE!, Center for Justice and Reconciliation, Point Loma Nazarene University*

Jessica Kim is a Mexican-American Survivor/Advocate/Public Speaker for sexually exploited children and youth. She is part of the Survivor Leader Network of San Diego, a non-profit focusing on victim advocacy, education in the community, and empowering survivors of human trafficking. She mentors survivors wanting to exit the “life” and transition back into society, find their passion and truth outside of exploitation. Along with life experience, she has extensive CSEC training and is currently finishing her BA degree in Social Work at PLNU.
Class One of the Power of Art III:
9-week Curriculum for Trafficked and Abused Survivors

Lynne Barletta will be presenting class one of The Power of Art III Curriculum for trafficked and abused survivors, a 9-week course. The curriculum introduces survivors to empowering their choices, overcoming trauma, breaking trauma bonds, coming out of cycles of abuse, establishing their vision and mission for the future, and discussing values and positive affirmations. The graphed results of measured improvements of girls ages 13-19 who have been trafficked by gangs and pimps at Martin Girls Academy in Stuart, FL will be presented with a brief overview of the Power of Art II for at-risk children. Participants will draw with Barletta to experience drawing on the right side of the brain while completing an upside-down drawing step-by-step that anyone can do.

Meet the Speaker

Lynne Barletta
Founder, Catch the Wave of Hope

Lynne Barletta is founder and Director of Visionary School of Arts in Stuart, Florida that includes semester courses, at risk programs, and outreaches for children since 2010. VSOA has won over 500 local national and international awards through art and leadership curriculum that Lynne has been writing for 30 years. Lynne is ordained and certified in various inner healing approaches. She has created an art curriculum / inner healing in a 9-week course, with a team of 8 therapists and piloted the program in Martin Girls Academy in Stuart Florida with measured outcomes that anyone can learn and teach. MGA is a juvenile Justice facility. The program has been tested with great success at MGA for over 2 years with girls ages 13 to 20 who have been trafficked by gangs and pimps. The Power of Art curriculum for abused and trafficked victims addresses Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, overcoming trauma, root issues, breaking trauma bonding, freedom of choice and more. The Power of Art was presented at the National Juvenile Justice Conference in 2017, and has been featured on Fox News. Lynne Founded Catch the Wave of Hope Charitable Organization in 2015 to Abolish Human Trafficking.
Investigating & Dismantling Commercial Sex Trafficking Organizations from the Owner/Operator to the “Johns”

In this case study, we will discuss the investigative tools and techniques used to dismantle “High End” Sex Enterprise Organizations. These organizations openly advertised with professional websites, accepted credit card payment for services and used advanced screening methods, call takers, schedulers, housekeepers, photographers, web designers, service providers, recruiters, and owner/operators. Highly organized, these groups supplied payroll and protected client lists of thousands of buyers that were approved for their service. With the cooperation of the DA’s Office, the buyers and owners/operators can be charged with Organized Crime/Racketeering (RICO), including sex trafficking, pandering, and pimping.

Meet the Speakers

Patrick Krieg
Detective Sergeant, Dunwoody Police Department

Patrick Krieg received the opportunity to participate in starting a new police department on the Northside of Atlanta—the incorporation of the City of Dunwoody and the inception of the Dunwoody Police Department. His role in this department was to assume a position with the DEA and the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) unit. In 2013 Patrick returned to Dunwoody to oversee the Criminal Investigation Division. It was apparent that one of the main unaddressed issues within the Dunwoody area was an enormous presence of Commercial Sex Trafficking Organizations. He attached his unit to the FBI MATCH Task Force/DeKalb District Attorney’s Office DART Team. Patrick began to investigate and dismantle these Sex Trafficking Organization in the same manner he would address sophisticated Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTO).

Dalia Racine, JD
Deputy Chief Assistant District Attorney, DeKalb County District Attorney’s Office

Dalia Racine has handled CSEC cases since 2008. She has been on the SECAC (Sexual Exploitation and Crimes Against Children) Unit in the Decatur, Georgia DA’s office since its inception in 2017. The unit has handled over 150 defendants charged with human trafficking or related crimes and to date, they maintain a 100% conviction rate related to these types of offenses. Previously, Dalia and her team created the D.A.T.E. Watch Taskforce. They brought together over 50 community partners, including; law enforcement, service providers, schools and businesses to combat human trafficking in DeKalb County. Dalia is also representing the DeKalb County DA’s Office in the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Statewide Human Trafficking Taskforce.
Your Body Loves You

The main objective of this workshop is to reconnect survivors with their bodies, as many of them experience a disconnect between body and mind due to trauma. We will focus on learning techniques and tools, including yoga therapy and pranayama techniques (breathing), meditation and Ayurveda remedies to bring healing and cohesion.

Meet the Speaker

Esther Rodriguez Brown
Founder and Executive Director, The Embracing Project

Born and raised in Barcelona, Spain, Esther Rodriguez Brown arrived in the United States in 2001. In 2007 she began working with incarcerated youth, and in efforts to teach them skills of empathy she founded The Embracing Project. With it, she developed a curriculum that parallels the effects of genocide and gang violence and the links between gangs and the exploitation of girls. From 2011 to 2013 she was contracted as a consultant by Clark County District Courts as the Sexually Exploited Youth Court Administrator. In 2013 she opened the Center 4 Peace, the only drop-in center for minor sex trafficking survivors in Las Vegas. Esther has a MA in Child & Adolescent Psychology and a BA in Criminal Justice. She is certified as a field traumatologist by The Green Cross Academy of Traumatology and has a 200H TTC yoga teacher training in yoga therapy and Ayurveda approach.
Building Rapport with Victims, from Law Enforcement to Allies

As a teenager, Susan Bredemeyer aided in the arrest of her trafficker, testifying against her trafficker and sitting through the sentencing. In this workshop, she will be discussing how to identify and overcome the challenges of building rapport and trust with victims/survivors. She will provide practical tools for law enforcement and district attorneys to establish trust with victims/survivors and share what helped her follow through to the completion of the trial.

Meet the Speaker

Rev. Susan Bredemeyer
Founder and Director, Oklahoma Survivors Council and Beauty for Ashes Ministries

Susan Bredemeyer is currently working on her MS in Crisis and Trauma Counseling. Susan has worked as an Assistant Chaplain for the Department of Corrections and Brookhaven Mental Hospital and currently works as a Behavioral Health Case Manager and operates a crisis room for exploited and abused women. Susan is a member of Optimist International, ordained with National Association of Christian Ministers and is certified through the State of Oklahoma as a Behavioral Health Rehab Specialist. As a teen Susan was a victim of child sex-trafficking; although she found a means to escape her pimp, the shame followed her and healing had not taken place. Several years later she found herself in a desperate situation that led her back to the streets. Now as a thriving survivor leader, Susan speaks out as an advocate using her experience to educate allies, leaders in the church, youth and others in her community seeking to create social change.
System Dynamics and the Power of a Transdisciplinary Approach to CSEC in San Diego County

What if you could change the behavior of a system to prevent children from becoming victims of human trafficking, and take care of those who were? Starting in 2017, San Diego has taken a transdisciplinary approach to build a new system, using System Dynamics, to reduce the adverse impact of commercial sexual exploitation (CSE) on our children. This innovative approach utilizes Group Model Building participatory methods to identify barriers as well as leverage points to inform and formulate action plans to significantly reduce, if not prevent CSEC, in the future. The panelists will discuss the methodology and outcomes of the transdisciplinary collaboration and the role of System Dynamics from Concept Modeling, through Group Model Building, to Computer Simulation.

Meet the Speakers

Charisma De Los Reyes, MSW
Policy Analyst and Commercially Sexually Exploited Children Program Coordinator, Child Welfare Services – HHSA

In addition to her role with Child Welfare Services in San Diego, Charisma De Los Reyes is also an adjunct faculty member at the University of Southern California, School of Social Work covering topics such as human trafficking, feminist theory, social impact and innovation. She has been a community organizer and activist with 20+ years experience, engaging in social justice and advocacy work around women's and girls' issues, both locally and internationally. Her international work includes working with communities in the Philippines, Indonesia and Cambodia. As a practitioner, Charisma has over 10 years of social services experience in investigations, family preservation and engagement, placement and congregate care as well as community child maltreatment prevention projects.

David Habif Jr., MD, MPH, MSW
Visiting Scholar, Washington University in St. Louis

David V. Habif is a pediatric specialist and neuroscientist dedicated to healthcare system and social policy design. He uses System Dynamics with government and organizational leaders to optimize system structure, programming, and behavior. His most recent work has been with the County of San Diego, as it restructures addressing sex trafficking of children, and with a University Pediatric Hospital, to streamline efficiency of information flows to improve outcomes for children with traumatic brain injury. David founded Teaneck Radiology Center in 1983, the first stand-alone Pediatric Imaging Center in the U.S. dedicated to using advanced technology for diagnosis and ongoing treatment for children and families. For years he participated in the State Child Welfare System, Court system, and Healthcare Administration Board.
Meet the Speakers, con’t.

Tyra Myles
Supervising Probation Officer, San Diego County Probation Department

Tyra Myles has served as probation officer for 20 years and for the past five years she has focused on the rehabilitation and empowerment of girls, to include those who are victims of CSEC. She is the vice-chair of the law enforcement subcommittee of the San Diego County Human Trafficking and Commercial Exploitation of Children Advisory Council and serves on the San Diego County CSEC Steering Committee. She is also a founding member of the RISE Court multi-disciplinary team. She has been instrumental in the implementation of CSEC assessment and programming in the probation department’s institutions.
Successful Intersection of Law Enforcement, Service Provision, and Survivor Leadership

The partnership between The Safe Center (TSC) and Nassau County Police Department’s Special Victims Squad (SVS) is a model for the intersection of law enforcement, service provision, and survivor leadership. We are uniquely poised to show how the Human Trafficking Department at TSC works seamlessly with the SVS from the beginning of a case, interviews, investigations, evidence collection, client support, through the arrest and prosecution phase, along with providing counseling, safe housing, health services and a survivor led service provider department. All integrated into a single facility, along with Child Protective Services and the Child Advocacy Center, most services are available 24/7 and year round.

Meet the Speakers

**Emily Waters LCSW, MPA, PhD(c)**
*Director of Human Trafficking Programs, The Safe Center LI*

Emily Waters has worked in the anti-trafficking field for over 10 years. She has served as a consultant in trafficking prevention, research, legislation, operational and leadership support, aftercare solutions in Eastern Europe, and has conducted trainings and therapy assessments in Southeast Asia. Her research from Bulgaria was featured at the International Social Work Conference in Los Angeles in 2012, and her experience as a director for a CSEC youth treatment center was presented at the American Association of Child Residential Centers Conference in 2015. Emily specializes in trauma-informed therapeutic interventions and establishing treatment protocols and facilities for CSEC and mandated populations. Emily is also a survivor of sex trafficking perpetrated by organized crime. Emily serves as the Director of the Human Trafficking Department at The Safe Center in Long Island, NY, where she oversees services for minors and adults, as well as safe housing and long term housing.

**Luis Salazar**
*Detective, Nassau County Police Department*

Luis Salazar is a Detective for the Nassau County Police Department who has served on the Narcotic Vice Squad, Gang Squad and Dignitary Protection, Sixth Squad and Special Victims Squad/Human Trafficking.
The Intersection of the Opioid Crisis and Sex Trafficking

In addition to the alarming number of overdose deaths in the US related to the ongoing opioid crisis, sex traffickers often are using these same addictions for their own profits. In this session, staff from the Department of Justice’s Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit will discuss this trend through the description of a number of successful prosecutions of sex traffickers involving a drug-based coercive scheme throughout the US. These case studies will focus on the vulnerabilities of victims struggling with drug addiction and the means by which traffickers exploit fear of drug withdrawal to manipulate, compel, and coerce victims into performing acts of prostitution for the trafficker’s profit. The presentation will focus on legal and evidentiary challenges that arise in these cases, common defenses, and successful strategies for overcoming those challenges and defenses to secure convictions.

Meet the Speaker

Sean Tepfer

*National Program Manager for the Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit (HTPU), DOJ Civil Rights Division*

As the National Program Manager for the Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit (HTPU) Sean Tepfer focuses on cases involving labor trafficking, international sex trafficking and sex trafficking of adults. He is the US representative to the INTERPOL Human Trafficking Expert Group. Sean previously served the Department of Justice as the HTPU Investigator and in the US Attorney’s Offices in Western Washington and Western Virginia as their Law Enforcement Coordinator. Prior to joining the Department of Justice, Sean had a successful local law enforcement career with the Norfolk VA, Scottsdale AZ and Farmington NM police departments where he served in several capacities within the patrol, training and investigation divisions. Sean is also a US Navy veteran where he served six years onboard a Los Angeles class fast attack submarine. He has a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice from St. Leo University and a Master of Arts in Public Administration from the University of New Mexico.
Educating CSEC and DMST Survivors in a Day School

This presentation covers what Hope Academy of the Denver Street School does to educate teenage survivors of DMST and/or CSEC. Hope Academy is a small, day-school for girls, aged 12-17, who are survivors and are living either back in their home of origin or some semblance of home. Many of these girls have missed long periods of school and are behind their peers, academically. Often, they are bullied or ostracized because of the lifestyle they have lived and neither their peers nor the staff/administration of public schools understand their trauma and associated behaviors. Hope Academy provides a fully trauma-informed, quality, one-on-one academic program, diverse electives, individual counseling, and equine therapy. We have trained over 300 women to serve as volunteers with the girls, providing tutoring help, rides to and from school, lunches, and long-term mentorship.

Meet the Speaker

Sara Bratton
Director, Hope Academy of the Denver Street School

Over the 28 years prior to her role at Hope Academy, Sara Bratton taught middle school Social Studies for six years, stayed home to raise her three daughters, and served as a volunteer in the schools working with Special Education and ELL students. In 2013, she began studying human trafficking and the best practices in working with survivors and was part of the team which put together the program for Hope Academy of The Denver Street School, a trauma-informed day school specifically for girls aged 12-17 who have experienced CSEC and/or DMST. Sara has trained over 200 women on the complexities of sex trafficking and sexual exploitation. She addressed the 2017 Colorado CASA Convention, presented at the 2017 Colorado Facilities Schools training conference, was one of the keynote speakers at the 2017 SHIFT Conference and has participated on numerous panels as an expert on working with teenage survivors.
Swipe Right:

Meeting a Juvenile Sex Trafficking Victim on Tinder

In January 2017, Katie Watson’s friend came across the profile of a juvenile sex trafficking victim on Tinder. Her profile read: “Child sex worker. Still stuck in the industry.” Watson’s friend had the choice to “swipe right,” accepting her profile, or “swipe left,” rejecting her profile. This workshop will highlight how one person’s decision to swipe right led to an eighteen month long journey between the presenter and a sex trafficking victim. Through a volunteer-based activity, the presenter will identify how the system designed to protect juvenile sex trafficking victims failed this particular victim, and demonstrate the value of working with victims to improve the system moving forward.

Meet the Speaker

Katie Watson, MPA, MSW

Program Director, Survive2Thrive Foundation

In addition to being the Program Director at Survive2Thrive Foundation, Katie Watson is also an Ambassador of Hope for Shared Hope International and an experienced researcher who has produced both academic and practical databases for use by academicians and federal law enforcement on the topic of sex trafficking. Previously, she was the Enrichment Program Manager at a residential treatment center for sex trafficking survivors in Austin, Texas. Although she specializes in sex trafficking research and advocacy, her background includes work with undocumented immigrants, foster youth, and individuals suffering from mental illness and substance abuse.
Evolving Technologies on Crime and Crime Solving
focused on U.S. and Global Human Exploitation

By 2020 the entire world will be connected by Internet. We are about to experience human exploitation on a scale and scope currently unimaginable. Today the Dark Net is home to cyber underground pedophile communities forming large scale rings exploiting vulnerable adults and children around the globe. The “Playpen” child pornography ring was host to over 200,000 pedophiles and recently a European library was discovered with over 30 Million images of violated children. Technologies like Vaporware, crypto-currencies, disappearing video, encrypted messaging and chatrooms, virtual reality pornography, and the Dark Net will challenge due process and law enforcement intelligence gathering processes. As global organized crime preys on accessible U.S. teens and impoverished and vulnerable third world adults and children, we predict that Cyber-sex on Demand (interactive pornography) will become the greatest money laundering enterprise in the world. This presentation is about how to combat global human exploitation for the next decade.

Meet the Speaker

Opal Singleton
President & CEO of Million Kids, Training & Outreach Coordinator for Riverside County Anti Human Trafficking Task Force

Opal Singleton has educated more than 100,000 leaders on sex/labor trafficking, sextortion, child pornography and social media exploitation. Through USC Safe Communities Institute she educates law enforcement throughout California and is an instructor at USC School of Social Work LEAD program for LAPD. Opal is an Instructor for L.A. Fire Leadership Training Academy. She authored Seduced: The Grooming of America’s Teenagers, used by many California school counselors. Opal hosts two weekly radio broadcasts. “Exploited: Crimes and Technology” broadcasts throughout Southern California on A.M. 590 (Salem Media). “Exploited: Crimes and Technology” is a weekly global radio show to educate first responders in over 100 countries broadcasting through Voice America Variety Channel, Phoenix Arizona. She has completed PST ICI Instructor School.
What’s Next:

Transitioning from Minor Programs into Adult Programs

During the healing journey of survivors, many minors are identified at the point of becoming adults. Some of these survivors have transitioned from minor facilities into adult programs with a variety of difficulties, sometimes resulting in frustration from unmet expectations and cognitive distortions. For those providing services to minors nearing transition, there are unique complexities to consider for both survivors and program staff and implementing a program transition plan can help.

Meet the Speakers

Bobbie Mark
Director of Survivor Care, Redeemed Ministries

In her role as Director of Survivor Care, Bobbie Mark and has developed and compiled the current trauma-informed, brain-based program utilizing ITSS Expert Consensus Treatment Guidelines for Complex PTSD in Adults. She and her husband have lived on-site providing care for the past 7 years and have experienced first hand the difficulties associated with long-term healing and transition.

Dennis Mark
Executive Director, Redeemed Ministries

Dennis Mark has been active with Redeemed Ministries along with his wife Bobbie Mark since 2006. His background includes brain-based, trauma-informed training and has provided training to law enforcement and other anti-trafficking agencies nationally and globally.
Considering a Dedicated Docket for Juvenile Human Trafficking?

A Triumphant and Turbulent Tale of an Ohio Court’s Response

Taking inspiration from “trafficking courts” around the country, Franklin County has enhanced its court system with a multi-level approach that best fits its court and population. The court addresses trafficking in all court processes: intake, diversion through court programs, delinquency, children in need of care, families in need of services, and probation. The team will share its experiences from the court’s first to last contact with its participants. In addition, they will candidly describe their triumphs and turbulence as they interact with participants and external agencies as well as their Supreme Court Specialty Docket application process.

Meet the Speakers

Morgan Bommer Guinn
Care Coordinator, Franklin County Court of Common Pleas Juvenile Branch

In her role as Abeyance Officer, Morgan Bommer-Guinn has served underage victims of human trafficking since the program’s inception in 2013. In this program, Morgan works towards helping these young people create a better life for themselves by linking them to community resources, doing one-on-one or group activities, and making sure they are surrounded by safe adults who understand the environments that they come from. Morgan is committed to the youth of Franklin County, and has been recognized for her dedication by Franklin County Domestic Court and the Franklin County Juvenile Probation Department with various awards.

Lasheyl Stroud, JD
Lead Juvenile Magistrate, Franklin County Court of Common Pleas Juvenile Branch

Prior to joining the bench, Lasheyl Stroud practiced in the public and private sectors. As a Magistrate, she is accustomed to the inherent stress involved in making quick decisions on the bench that affect members of her community. She serves within her court’s juvenile human trafficking program, chairs court committees and represents the court at national conferences to advance juvenile justice. Her committee assignments assist the court in progressive policy and planning, strategy workgroups and ensuring that the court is on the forefront in trends. Lasheyl spends countless hours mentoring, motivational speaking and investing in the next generation. She is an adjunct professor at community colleges.

Larry Sanchez, JD
Juvenile Magistrate, Franklin County Court of Common Pleas Juvenile Branch

Prior to joining the bench, Larry Sanchez was an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney involved in the Grand Jury, Juvenile Court, and Adult Divisions. He ended his tenure serving in the Gang Unit. Larry serves on the juvenile human trafficking docket, which together with Judge Gill and Magistrate Stroud was created to assist survivors of human trafficking. He has served on the Vision Counsel of United Way and speaks at churches and civic organizations regarding juvenile matters. He is an adjunct professor at community colleges and Judicial College of Ohio.
Silenced No More:
The Voice of a “BOY” That is Now a “MAN” and “HE” is Speaking Out

When sex trafficking is mentioned, most people think of the victimization of females and assume males are safe with no threat of being sexually abused or exploited. Research is limited and often excludes the voices and personal experiences of male survivors. Marq is a male survivor of sexual exploitation and “HE” is speaking out. Marq will share his story and provide insights that will help others identify ways of cultivating the conversation about male sexual exploitation. In this presentation, Margie, a licensed mental health professional, and Marq, a male survivor, will provide information to increase awareness in identifying boys and men who are at risk of or have been sexually exploited. The workshop will also cover the need for funding and other sources of support such as developing male-specific multidisciplinary workgroups, incorporating faith-based organizations, collaborating with the community, and implementing trauma-informed services for boys and men. This presentation is for everyone who supports prevention, protection, intervention, and restoration.

Meet the Speakers

Mark (Marq) Daniel Taylor
CEO & Founder, The BUDDY House, Inc.

Marq Taylor is a brave advocate in the fight against domestic minor sex trafficking. He is actively involved in mobilizing his church in Mableton, GA to address the issue, and shares his own story of victimization to educate others about this horrific crime. Marq was only 11 years old when he met a man who offered to be the mentor he so badly wanted and needed. Betrayal is what Marq found instead. The man guided him into a world of commercial sexual exploitation and trafficked him from age 11 until 17. Marq is currently working on the following projects: Starting The B.U.D.D.Y. House, Inc. (Better Understanding of Difficulties and Differences within our Youth-Drop In Center). He is putting together a training program for schools and other agencies that will discuss how to recognize signs as well what to look for in a young boy or man who has changed. Finally, Marq is putting together a national symbol (a bow tie lapel pin) that shows a male survivor/overcomer or a person that supports the cause of anti- human trafficking.

Margie Perry Gill, LPC, CPCS, ACS
Executive Director, Tabitha’s House, Inc.

Margie Gill is a licensed psychotherapist and clinical supervisor for mental health professionals. She has been actively involved in mentoring youth, serving the community, and providing humanitarian aid for over 25 years. Margie became the Executive Director for Tabitha’s House, Inc., a nonprofit organization that provides resources to survivors and teaches awareness and prevention against human trafficking. Margie also serves on the Georgia Statewide Human Trafficking Taskforce Workgroups 4 and Workgroup 7. She is the Vice-Chair for the DeKalb County Juvenile Court Mental Health Court - Journey Program Advisory Board. In addition, she is faculty, clinical supervisor, and Assistant Clinic Director for the Psychology Department of Brenau University.
Leveraging Fusion Center Resources for Human Trafficking Investigations *Law enforcement / prosecutors only*

The cooperative efforts across the network of more than 78 Fusion Centers ensure that personnel working criminal or counterterrorism investigations have immediate access to the appropriate intelligence databases necessary for case development. Intelligence analysts assigned to these Fusion Centers are a free, specialized, and unique resource available to the law enforcement community that many investigators are unaware of. These human trafficking analysts are uniquely positioned to make investigations and prosecutions more effective and to maximize increasingly limited resources. This session will highlight analytical techniques and best practices gleaned from the successes (and failures) of working juvenile sex trafficking cases. Case studies and examples will highlight tools and tactics analysts use to enhance victim or suspect identification, lead development, undercover or proactive operations, and research initiatives for law enforcement in need of assistance on trafficking cases.

Meet the Speakers

**Meredith Bailey, MCJ**

*Criminal Intelligence Analyst III, Georgia Bureau of Investigation*

Meredith Bailey has been assigned to GISAC, the Georgia Fusion Center, for the past 9 years. Her primary assignments are to support the GBI’s Computer Crimes and Child Exploitation Unit, and the State of Georgia’s Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC) Task Force. Meredith is the program analyst for GISAC’s Human Trafficking Intelligence initiative which coordinates various trainings and working groups in addition to furthering law enforcement’s role in research efforts. She also serves on the steering committee for the Fusion Center Human Trafficking Analysts’ Working Group. Meredith’s degrees are from Georgia State University.

**Jordan Morris**

*Investigative Specialist II, Louisiana State Analytical and Fusion Exchange – Louisiana State Police*

Jordan Morris is assigned as the statewide human trafficking analyst at the Louisiana State Analytical and Fusion Exchange (LA-SAFE). Her primary assignments are to support the Louisiana State Police Special Victims Unit and provide analytical support to combat human trafficking in Louisiana. Jordan is also an expert in Facial Recognition programs and serves as LA-SAFE’s subject matter expert on facial recognition. She provides on-site analytical support for tactical human trafficking sting operations and does deep web analytics and dark web research to combat online exploitation of vulnerable populations.
So You Want to Represent and Legally Advocate for Minor Survivors of Trafficking?

I am often approached by pro-bono attorneys who want to represent sex and/or labor trafficked survivors. Part of the child victims’ path to justice is having free legal support, advice and representation that is survivor-centered, culturally sensitive, trauma-informed and rights-based. This workshop will review the legal forms of relief available to trafficked minors and transitional aged youth, identify the gaps within the legal system that are not meeting the survivors’ legal needs, and share ways that nonprofit legal service providers, pro-bono attorneys, guardians ad litem, law students and other legal support staff can provide legal advocacy and representation in an empowering and rights-based manner.

Meet the Speaker

Rose Mukhar, JD
Executive Director and Principal Attorney, Justice At Last

Rose Mukhar is a social justice attorney and in 2015 she founded Justice At Last, a nonprofit law firm that provides free legal services and representation to survivors of human trafficking so that they can seek justice on their own terms. Justice At Last is the only independent nonprofit law firm in the San Francisco Bay Area exclusively serving survivors of trafficking and specializing in asserting crime victims’ rights, vacatur and expungement of criminal records, family law and immigration relief and identity theft recovery. Rose earned an LL.M. degree in International Legal Studies, and her J.D. from Golden Gate University School of Law, an M.A. in International Relations from the United States International University, and a B.A. in Political Science from Wellesley College. In June 2018 Rose was awarded the National Crime Victim Law Institute Legal Advocacy Award for her crime victims’ rights representation of victims of crime in the criminal justice system.
Cross-Cultural Dynamics in Survivor Engagement: Understanding Complex Trauma Responses in Human Trafficking

Given the multi-leveled complexity of human trafficking, it is crucial that we address issues from an interdisciplinary framework (American Psychological Association, 2014; Van Impe, 2000; Zimmerman, Hossain & Watts, 2011) that includes collaboration with survivor leadership (Lloyd, 2011; U.S. Advisory Council on Human Trafficking, 2017). However, complex trauma impacts survivorship and becomes a critical component to navigate in order to foster more effective efforts and increase survivor engagement on a deeper level. This workshop will utilize a phenomenological approach to explore the process of engaging in cross-cultural interdisciplinary collaboration with a human trafficking survivor and psychologist. Exploration of relevant themes related to the intersection of complex trauma, ally-ship and survivorship will be executed through complex trauma theory and multiculturalism. Possible solutions for more effective collaborations are presented with a complex trauma-informed approach (MSE; Hopper, 2017) for working with survivors of human trafficking and supporting their psychosocial health.

Meet the Speakers

**Dominique Malebranche, PhD**
Program Coordinator, Project REACH, The Trauma Center at Justice

*Resource Institute*
Through her role at Project REACH, a national anti-human trafficking program, Dominique Malebranche offers short-term assessment and mental health services to survivors of sex and labor trafficking, including foreign-born and domestic survivors of all ages, as well as training and consultation to anti-trafficking professionals throughout the U.S. She is also a postdoctoral fellow at the Trauma Center at JRI in Brookline, MA specializing in mind-body interventions for individuals with complex trauma exposure, interpersonal violence and cross-cultural issues. Dominique served leadership roles on the Central Missouri Stop Human Trafficking Coalition, Global Sex Trafficking Conference of the Sex-trafficking Awareness, Freedom & Empowerment Coalition for Human Rights and co-chaired the Cross-Cultural Immersion Training Committee of the International Section of Division 17 (the Society of Counseling Psychology) of the American Psychological Association.

**Jessa Dillow-Crisp**
Co-Founder and Executive Director, BridgeHope

A respected speaker, writer, and mentor, Jessa Dillow Crisp uses her childhood experience of severe abuse and trafficking to illustrate both the stark realities of human trafficking, and the truth that healing transformation is possible. After her escape and recovery process, Jessa got her degree in counseling and is presently working on her Master’s as a step towards obtaining a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology. In addition, Jessa is the co-founder and Executive Director of BridgeHope and is part of the Rebecca Bender Initiative speaker’s team. Some highlights of Jessa’s career include training the Department of Homeland Security, speaking at the Colorado State Capitol, speaking at the National Character Leadership Symposium, and filming with Real Women Real Stories.
Collaboration is Key:

Unifying Expertise to Create an Effective Multidisciplinary Team

This workshop will review the Orange County Human Trafficking Task Force’s collaborative approach in working with CSEC and how that can be done successfully between government and non-government systems. We will discuss the protocols in place for when a juvenile sex trafficking victim is recovered by law enforcement and the collaborative steps involved in this initial contact. We will also review Crisis MDT’s versus ongoing MDT’s and how recognizing each member of the MDT as a specialist in their own field creates a synergy in finding creative ways to deliver trauma-informed holistic service plans. Finally, there will be an overview and case examples of the services being provided to CSEC as a result of a successful MDT.

Meet the Speakers

Nicole Strattman, MSW, LCSW
Senior Social Services Supervisor - CSEC Coordinator, Orange County Social Services Agency

Nicole Strattman has been employed with the Orange County Social Service Agency, Children and Family Services for over 18 years. She is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker who holds a Master’s degree in Social Work from the University of Southern California. In 2014 Nicole began supervising the social workers in the CSEC specialized investigation unit who are the first responders to all calls from the Orange County Human Trafficking Task Force. Nicole is also the CSEC Coordinator for Orange County Children and Family Services where she has been part of a team working with various agencies to create a multi-system response model, treating trafficked children as victims and ensuring the child welfare system has the services to meet the victim’s needs.

Patty Saravia
Victim Advocate, Waymakers

Patty Saravia provides case management to survivors in her role as a Victim Advocate with Waymakers in the human trafficking victim services program. She works hard to understand each client, and helps them navigate the complexities of the criminal justice system and community resources. Patty is also part of the Human Trafficking Statewide Training Team, connecting with various service providers throughout California. Prior to joining Waymakers, she volunteered with the Orange County Human Trafficking Task Force, providing direct services to survivors of human trafficking. Patty was also a volunteer for Waymakers’ Sexual Assault Victim Services program, responding to sexual assault hotline and hospital calls as part of the Sexual Assault Response Team. She has over 15 years of case management experience serving different populations.
Meet the Speakers, con’t.

**Lisa Carpenter**  
*Deputy Probation Officer, Orange County Probation*

Lisa Carpenter began her career with Orange County Probation in 1991 as an institutional counselor before her promotion to Deputy Probation Officer in 1993. She has worked in probation’s placement unit, supervising youth in the foster care system unit and as a court officer acting as probation’s representative in juvenile court proceedings. Currently Lisa supervises probation youth identified as CSEC and those at high risk for CSEC. She is Orange County Probation’s authority on CSEC cases and assists institutional administration and line staff in the assessment, care and treatment of CSEC. She represents probation in the collaborative court established to serve CSEC victims, Generating Resources to Abolish Child Exploitation (GRACE) court. Lisa is on the Orange County CSEC Steering Committee, Orange County Human Trafficking Task Force and provides outreach to educate the community on the subject of CSEC and services for CSEC victims.
**The Backstory:**

**Clinician and Law Enforcement Insight on Grooming, Hotel Operations, and How to Recover Children Online**

Predators target children because of their vulnerability, and countless children are commercially exploited and sold online. This panel discussion will focus on a multidisciplinary team’s insight on grooming and hotel recovery operations, with a particular focus on strategies and interventions to identify children online.

**Meet the Speakers**

**Tracy McDaniel, MSW, LSW**
*CEO/Founder, Restored Inc*

Tracy McDaniel’s organization, Restored, provides direct services to domestic victims of sex trafficking. Tracy formulates statewide strategies to address domestic human trafficking through victim services, law enforcement coordination, and public policy. She partners with the Indiana state government, local, state and federal law enforcement, non-profit leaders, and community members to provide victim and outreach services. She develops trainings for youth and professionals, and provides public awareness. Tracy is a forensic interviewer and has a Masters in Social Work with a focus on anti-demand efforts of the human trafficking movement and trauma counseling. She is a member of the Indiana Supreme Court CSEC committee.

**Jeffrey Robertson**
*Special Agent, FBI*

Jeffrey Robertson has been assigned to the Indianapolis Division, Fort Wayne Resident Agency of the FBI since 2013 and specializes in cases involving human trafficking and violent crimes against children. He conducts undercover operations to locate and rescue juveniles who are being sex trafficked, as well as targets online predators who prey on children. Jeffrey and his law enforcement partners provide training across the state on recognizing and recovering victims of human trafficking, online safety for parents and children, and investigative techniques to successfully investigate these cases. He is a member of the FBI’s Crisis Negotiation Team and a member of the FBI’s Operational Medical Program. Jeffery is a member of the Indiana Supreme Court CSEC committee. Prior to joining the FBI, he was a police officer in Connecticut.

**T. Mitchell**
*Supervisory Investigator Narcotics, TFO-FBI, Delaware County Sheriff Office*

T. Mitchell conducts narcotics and violent crime investigations, partners and assists DEA, local and state law enforcement agencies conducting narcotics and violent crimes investigations, and facilitates criminal investigations involving human sex trafficking in the State of Indiana. T. also provides training for law enforcement and acts as a liaison for interdepartmental collaboration. Since joining the Delaware County Sheriff office in 2009, he became a member of the Delaware County SWAT team, Advanced STOP’s Instructor, and Critical Incident Trainer.
Demand Reduction – Long Term Strategies for Multidisciplinary Networks

Since October 2014, multiple stages in the sex buying process and corresponding tactics have been identified and tested by the CEASE (Cities Empowered Against Sexual Exploitation) Network. These tactics aim to reduce the demand for illegal commercial sex by increasing perception of risk, removing the anonymity of the transaction and addressing the social and cultural norms that perpetuate sex buying behavior. The San Diego CEASE Network is a unique partnership between community-based organizations, survivor leaders, service providers and law enforcement, who believe that reducing demand is part of a long-term strategy to end sex trafficking and exploitation. The CEASE San Diego team collaborates to implement tactics such as social media messaging, “A Bunch of Guys” cyber patrols, public outreach and education, working with male youth to reverse harmful social norms, engaging businesses in demand reduction efforts and collecting and analyzing data and research on sex buying behaviors.

Meet the Speakers

Bianca Morales-Egan

Technical Advisor, Human Trafficking and Gender Equity,
Project Concern International

Bianca Morales-Egan has diverse experience in international development and gender studies, including coordinating a program to build self-esteem in Liberian refugee girls, serving as a Peace Writer for USD’s Kroc Institute of Peace and Justice Women PeaceMaker program and working with international research departments who serve victims of political torture. Since 2009, she has worked at Project Concern International (PCI), serving as the Manager of Field Operations and more recently as PCI’s Technical Advisor for Human Trafficking and Gender Equity. Bianca is the director of PCI’s human trafficking prevention initiatives in San Diego County, including the Girls Only! and Boys Only! youth prevention program and the CEASE San Diego Network. Bianca was chosen as the Human Trafficking Viewpoint Partner by Social Venture Partners in 2016 and was recently elected co-chair of the San Diego County Advisory Council on Human Trafficking’s Community Subcommittee.

Marisa Ugarte

Executive Director, Bilateral Safety Corridor Coalition

With a Masters degree (equivalent) in social work and psychology, Marisa spent three years developing social services programs in Tijuana, Mexico. She is the founder of the Binational Crisis Line in Tijuana, as well as the Domestic Violence Crisis Center for the Sistema Nacional para el Desarrollo Integral de la Familia, Tijuana (DIF Tijuana). Marisa continues to be an advisor to DIF and to the Civil Protection and Disaster Crisis Prevention Program in Mexico. In the United States, she convenes an annual anti-trafficking conference in San Diego, and is an active speaker at conferences nationwide and internationally of human trafficking and the commercial sexual exploitation of women and children. She has also taught at both the University of California, San Diego; the University of San Diego, and a Masters degree-level module of classes for Crisis Intervention at the University of Xochicalco, Mexico.
Attachment, Trauma Bonding, and the Normalization and Glorification of Exploitation

The attachment pattern that develops between an infant and the primary caregiver can have extensive influence across the entire life cycle. The deficits and resultant needs that develop in insecure attachment types will unconsciously impact subsequent relationship choices. This workshop will demonstrate how the development of certain attachment types in infants can lead to subsequent juvenile trafficking vulnerability, and how traffickers fulfill the inherent social-emotional deficits to trauma bond with, and exploit youth. This is amplified through society’s normalization and glorification of exploitation through the attitudes and norms expressed within media aimed at youth. This detrimental impact upon juvenile social-emotional development coupled with immature cognitive processes and previously experienced trauma can influence the concept that exploitation is not only acceptable, but also glamorous.

Meet the Speaker

Selina Higgins, MA, MSW, LCSW-R
Executive Director, Office of Child Trafficking Prevention and Policy, NYC Administration for Children’s Services

Selina Higgins has worked for NYC’s Administration for Children’s Services (ACS) for 25 years, originally as a caseworker investigating reports of abuse and neglect. She worked for 3 years at ACS’ Children’s Center, working clinically with trafficked youth and other vulnerable populations. Selina has been the inaugural Executive Director of ACS’ Office of Child Trafficking Prevention and Policy (OCTPP) since ACS created its Office of Child Trafficking Prevention and Policy (OCTPP) in 2014. She is certified as a trainer in multiple human trafficking awareness and prevention curricula. Selina has trained professionals locally and nationally on human trafficking, infant assessment, attachment and permanency, and group work models. She has published on trafficking, best practice conferencing, utilizing the strengths perspective, mitigating intergenerational child abuse, and infant assessment and permanency.
A Profile of Commercially Sexually Exploited Youth in the Los Angeles County Juvenile Delinquency System

This panel will discuss two overlapping research projects on commercially sexually exploited (CSE) youth in the nationally-recognized STAR Court (Succeeding Through Achievement and Resilience), a Los Angeles juvenile collaborative court. Research teams from UCLA and the California Judicial Council will present data collected through an exhaustive case file review of the 364 Star Court participants between 2012 and 2016. Data includes mental health diagnoses and treatment, child welfare involvement and placements history, AWOL history, pregnancy history, and substance use. We will also explore associations between variables and identify existing gaps in services. Panelists will review descriptive statistics of STAR Court participants and preliminary results of an outcome evaluation of the STAR Court. This evaluation includes comparison data of STAR Court participants to a matched sample of girls in the delinquency system in Los Angeles.

Meet the Speakers

**Amy Bacharach, PhD**

**Senior Research Analyst, Judicial Council of California, Center for Families, Children, and the Courts**

Amy Bacharach specializes in juvenile justice, collaborative justice, and human trafficking. She has conducted extensive research on these issues, and has authored numerous articles and reports and a book chapter. Her work is used to educate and inform judges who may work with trafficking victims and offenders. She also serves on statewide task forces related to these issues, as well as on boards of local community organizations dedicated to women’s rights and preventing human trafficking. In addition to her work with the Judicial Council, she spent many years as an adjunct professor, and in 2013 was named one of the top 25 forensic psychology professors nationwide. Amy’s Ph.D. is in forensic psychology and she holds a certificate in Organizational Development.

**Sarah Godoy, MSW**

**Research Associate & Lecturer, University of California, Los Angeles**

Sarah Godoy is a research associate at the Semel Institute and lecturer in the Department of Social Welfare at UCLA. She served as a policy associate for the National Center for the Youth Law’s Child Trafficking Team. At UCLA’s Luskin Center for Innovation, Sarah was the lead researcher and author of "Shedding Light on Sex Trafficking: Research, Data, and Technologies with the Greatest Impact.” She has published articles in Forbes, highlighting sex trafficking and technology. Sarah is a reviewer for the Journal of Human Trafficking and a board member to the organization Women Wonder Writers. She conducted research in Tijuana, Mexico’s, red-light district and worked with families in the brothels of Delhi, India’s, red-light district. In 2017, Sarah was named number 20 of the top 100 Human Trafficking and Slavery Influence Leaders.
Sex Trafficking and Opioids: Awareness and Safety Recommendations

The power of addiction in trafficking has been recognized by the criminal justice system. Addiction can exacerbate a trafficked person’s vulnerability, be part of a trafficker’s means of coercing the captive person to submit, be a tool the trafficker uses to control the captive, and can be used by the captive person as a means of coping with the physical and mental traumas of being trafficked. Opioids in particular are an effective coercion tool for traffickers. Some traffickers recruit directly from substance use treatment facilities. After exiting the trafficking situation, survivors with substance use issues need safety and support to recover. This session dispels myths about addiction and provides evidence-based information and trauma-informed recommendations for service providers.

Meet the Speaker

Marti MacGibbon, CADC-II, ACRPS, CAPMS
Speaker, Author, Certified Mental Health Professional, Survivor Leader, Marti Mac Enterprises, LLC, HEALTrafficking

Marti MacGibbon is a speaker, author and national advocate for human trafficking victims and survivors who has shared her expertise at the White House and the State Department. She is recipient of the 2015 IAIC Lifetime Recovery Advocate Award, for outstanding accomplishments in support of recovery and reducing the stigma surrounding addiction, mental illness, homelessness and human trafficking. She is a member of the HEALTrafficking board of directors.
The Role of Survivor Mentorship in Recovery from CSEC: A Survivor’s Perspective

This session provides an in-depth look at the Kristi House’s CSEC program, Project GOLD (Girls Owning and Living Their Dreams), and its comprehensive group treatment approach. In this session, we will discuss the importance of utilizing multiple mentoring opportunities as part of the healing journey and will review several of the programs that are available to CSEC survivors enrolled in Project GOLD. In addition, we will review two evidence-based, trauma-informed mental health treatment modalities that have been adapted at Project GOLD for CSEC trauma treatment. Highlighting the instrumental role a survivor has in providing one-on-one mentorship, Project GOLD’s Success Coach will share her unique perspective on serving as a mentor. Considerations for employing survivors as mentors will also be examined, as well as the importance of addressing vicarious trauma.

Meet the Speakers

Maria Clara Harrington, MS
Project GOLD Director, Kristi House

Maria Clara Harrington, has been with Kristi House for over 16 years. As the Project GOLD Director, she led the launch and oversees the day-to-day operations of the Project GOLD Drop In Center. She took over the leadership of Project GOLD in July 2013, having been a key trainer on the team for five years. Maria Clara has provided direct service to the population of CSE/DST child-victims through street outreach since 2008, counseling, advocacy, and responds to the 24-hour Project GOLD hotline. She holds a master’s degree in counseling and began at Kristi House in 2001 and was the recipient of Attorney General Pam Bondi’s 2015 Distinguished Victim Services Award.

Bradel Canfield
Project GOLD Success Coach/Mentor, Kristi House

Bradel Canfield grew up in South Florida within the foster care system. As a former foster youth and human trafficking survivor, her passion is serving as a mentor for teens who are at risk, or have been exploited, as well as advocating for the rights of foster youth in Florida. Working as a Success Coach/Mentor at Kristi House/Project GOLD, Bradel works in the human trafficking division of the Miami Children’s Courthouse, which is known as G.R.A.C.E. Court (Growth Renewed through Acceptance, Change and Empowerment). Within G.R.A.C.E. Court, she serves as an advisor and advocate for teenage victims of sex trafficking and at-risk teens. At Kristi House Project GOLD and at G.R.A.C.E Court, Bradel provides one on one mentoring to over 40 girls in the Miami-Dade area working to overcome human trafficking. She also facilitate activities within a group setting such as yoga and journaling at Project GOLD.
Changing Gears:
Understanding the Complexities of Transition

Attendees will hear a survivor’s journey from homelessness – how she was able to change gears from survival mode to normalcy and how she took control of her life. We will discuss the complexities of transition therapeutically and what trauma and chaos looks like through the lens of a survivor. Attendees will also learn effective strategies to support and assist survivors in transition from a programmatic standpoint. Presenters will share insight into the relationships built between survivors and mentors and witness firsthand how support leads to EMPOWERMENT!

Meet the Speakers

Melba Robinson, MSW
Program Director, Salvation Army - Haven ATL

Melba Robinson is an active member of the Georgia Taskforce. As a social worker, Melba’s expertise is in working with children and families, case management, and program & curriculum development.

Melba joined HavenATL with the Salvation Army as a Case Manager then transitioned to Program Director, where she oversees the development of the program, connects with partnering agencies to offer more resources, and provides advocacy, and linkages for the girls and women who have survived commercial sexual exploitation. Her vision is to provide a safe environment for girls and women where they can be empowered and begin to work on their journey of wholeness.

Consuela Douglas, LMSW
Licensed Therapist, Salvation Army - Haven ATL

Consuela Douglas is a social worker by training, possessing a bachelors in psychology and a masters in social work from Clark Atlanta University. Consuela’s past practice specialized in work with inner city youth, teen mothers, the homeless, foster care and adoptions with medically fragile children, especially those HIV/AIDS infected or affected, and fulltime ministry with youth. She has served as an art teacher for local nonprofits, a museum assistant for a community-based teaching museum, and facilitated experiential art-focused group therapy.

Keisha Head
Lead Case Manager, Salvation Army - Haven ATL

Keisha Head is more than just a survivor of child sex trafficking. Today she serves as a nationally recognized speaker and advocate aiming to end all forms of human trafficking. She has been called upon by the US Department of Justice and advocates for legislation that protects victims of human trafficking. Keisha is also a consultant for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. In 2013 she was awarded the “Voice of Courage” award from Darkness to Light, an organization that advocates and provides services for sexual abuse victims. Keisha was also featured in November 2014 Special men’s edition of EBONY magazine. Her passion is working with adult survivors and helping them to overcome their victimization.
Sexual Health and Intimacy: Restoration after Trauma

This session will cover sexual health and intimacy, a topic that often gets left out of holistic care. You will learn tools for understanding the connection between your whole selves, physically and emotionally to be able to regain power in mind, body, and soul. By understanding mindfulness and the ways that trauma stays stored in your body and most intimate parts, you can learn how to release, connect and move forward. Often we hear that survivors have gone years with physical and emotional pain even after significant amounts of therapy and healing because of the sensitive nature and shame associated with talking about our bodies. We are not alone in these experiences. Through this session it is our hope that you will leave with a better understanding of your body and the tools to advocate for your health both physically and emotionally, to live your best, most whole life.

Meet the Speakers

Savannah Sanders
Founder, SexTraffickingPrevention.org

In addition to founding Sex Trafficking Prevention, Savannah Sanders is author of Sex Trafficking Prevention: A Trauma-Informed Approach for Parents and Professionals. She is a thought leader for trafficking prevention and has expertise in child abuse prevention, trauma-informed care, harm reduction, and intergenerational abuse. Savannah has worked with communities across the country to provide survivor and trauma-informed training as well as consulting and curriculum development that impacts services. She uses her dynamic background as a social worker, parent, foster parent, and survivor leader to positively impact those she works with.

Previously, Savannah was the Director of Human Trafficking and Community Outreach at a 120-bed crisis shelter, working to fully integrate human trafficking services and increase identification for survivors of all forms of human trafficking. Formerly, as the training coordinator for the Safe Action Project, she trained hospitality staff around the country to recognize and report human trafficking.

Angie Conn
Survivor Leader, Consultant, Advocate, SheWhoDares Consulting

A survivor of domestic sex-trafficking, abuse, and addiction, Angie Conn strives to freely express her insight and knowledge to those with a desire to learn about the topics at hand. Her authenticity, joy, and resilient spirit engages her listeners, and not only leave them with tools to take back and use where they are, but also with the hope that there is healing, life, wholeness and joy after human trafficking. She has a natural gift of encouragement and is passionate about reaching out when and where she can. Angie is a mentor for RBI’s online Elevate Academy, sits on the National Survivor Network, WV Human Trafficking Task Force, and consults for the WV Department of Corrections, juvenile, and adult facilities.

Terrace Salons 2 & 3  NASW
The field of sexual violence historically has failed to recognize the impact intersectionality has on experiences and response to sexual violence. For some there is limited appreciation for the fact that human trafficking survivors are also survivors of sexual violence. This presentation will address the historical and ongoing failure of the sexual violence intervention movements to meet the needs of Youth Survivors of Color, the social injustice that often results in the sexual abuse to prison pipeline for these youth, and ways to engage in culturally-competent interventions to meet the needs of Communities of Color.

**Meet the Speaker**

**Tanisha L. Knighton, PhD**  
*National Trainer/Consultant, Knighton Consulting Group, LLC*

Tanisha L. Knighton is an independent consultant and national trainer with over 15 years of experience as a Social Worker with Child Welfare and 5 years in the Missing Persons Unit for the local Law Enforcement Department. Tanisha is an active member of the Human Trafficking Task Force in her area and a number of other agencies that address issues that affect missing persons and survivors of human trafficking. She designs curricula and provides training on different topics for a variety of agencies and national conferences.
Victim Centered Not Victim Built: 
Representing Victims of Human Trafficking in the Criminal Justice System

Survivors have unique legal needs when they become involved in the criminal courts. Our presentation will discuss three roles victims/survivors find themselves in: as defendant, as victim, and as witness for the prosecution of a trafficker. These distinctions matter and provide opportunities for trauma-informed legal advocacy to ensure survivors are protected, rights are enforced, and justice is served. We will present the problems survivors face in each one of these positions and share ways that victims’ rights lawyers make a difference. We’ll cover the importance of collaboration with social service providers to tap needed financial resources and other support for survivors. Also, by collaborating with other civil legal service providers we minimize the fracturing of services.

Meet the Speakers

Rachel Monaco-Wilcox, JD
CEO and Founder, LOTUS Legal Clinic, Inc.

Rachel Monaco-Wilcox founded LOTUS, a legal clinic for victims of trafficking and other forms of gender-based violence serving Wisconsin’s counties and native tribes. She did this while acting as Chair and Professor of the Justice Department at Mount Mary University, where she currently teaches in the Art Therapy doctoral program. Rachel is a frequent speaker and trainer on victims’ rights, human trafficking, dispute resolution and systems change. She serves as counsel for many survivors who launch advocacy careers and runs the Untold Stories program where survivors use art, creative writing and the law to create change in society. In 2015, she received the Thrive award for survivor advocacy from Aurora Health Care and was named as a member of Milwaukee Business Journal’s 40 Under 40 class. In 2018, she was honored as a Milwaukee “Woman of Influence” for her work with LOTUS. LOTUS was also named in 2018 as partner organization of the year by the National Crime Victim’s Law Institute.

Erika Petty, JD
Senior Staff Attorney and Clinic Coordinator, LOTUS Legal Clinic, Inc.

In her role at LOTUS Legal Clinic Erika Petty provides trauma-informed rights-based legal advocacy on behalf of victims of human trafficking and of gender-based violence. Before joining LOTUS Legal Clinic in July 2016, Erika was a staff attorney for nine years at Legal Action of Wisconsin, focusing on federal housing litigation and eviction defense on behalf of low-income individuals in Milwaukee.
More Than Just a Lapdance:
Survivor-Informed Solutions to Strip Club Exploitation

In this workshop, the presenter will reveal the prevalence of human trafficking and exploitation in the adult entertainment industry through firsthand experience and case studies. She will discuss the failures to regulate the industry, survivor-informed methods to reach potential victims within these environments, and collaborative efforts between multi-jurisdictional law enforcement sectors. Combining her survival experiences with worker safety law and criminal law, the presenter will lead you into a spirited discussion involving a multi-pronged approach to an industry that is profiting off the abuse of victims and legal loopholes, to further our goals for prevention, identification, intervention, prosecution, protection, and restoration.

Meet the Speaker

Amy Smith, JD
Consultant, DOJ, OVCTTAC, DoS

Amy Smith is a survivor of human trafficking in the form of commercial sexual exploitation primarily through adult entertainment clubs. After escaping her traffickers and rebuilding her life, she has now graduated law school. Amy has trained law enforcement at the local, state, federal, and international levels. She has also trained legal and medical professionals, as well as victim advocates and social services. Amy combines her survival experiences with her legal education to create practical solutions for combatting HT in the commercial sex industry. She assists Justice Restoration Center in being survivor-informed and advocating for survivors’ legal needs.
Safe Homes – Show me the Money!

This presentation will cover the realities of the financial needs for starting and running a successful safe home program. We will cover myths about state and federal funding and highlight the need for community collaboration and blended funding. Finally, a successful Safe Home provider will provide concrete actions for fiscal responsibility and stability.

This session is repeated on Tuesday from 10 - 11:30 AM

Meet the Speakers

Ada McCloud
Human Trafficking and Child Exploitation Division, Texas Department of Families and Protective Services

Ada McCloud is a Program Specialist in the Deputy Commissioner’s office. The Human Trafficking Team is implementing introductory and advanced training opportunities for all DFPS staff and working to expand the existing continuum of care services for trafficking victims by establishing formal relationships with stakeholders who are responding to the issues of human trafficking. Prior to joining DFPS, Ada served as a Program Administrator for Children’s Advocacy Center of Texas (CACTX) where she provided training and technical assistance to local CACs. Ada is a member of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children.

Natasha Nascimento
Founding Executive Director, Redefining Refuge, Inc

Born and raised in Johannesburg, South Africa, Natasha Nascimento’s diverse life experience cultivated a sensitivity to acknowledge and find ways to serve others in need. Natasha launched Redefining Refuge in 2010 with a strong emphasis on creating a specialized and innovative Safe House and Case Management Program. This goal became a reality in 2012, and remains the first and only Program of its kind in the Tampa Bay area that provides a therapeutic safe haven for girl’s ages 12-17 rescued from this depravity. Natasha has been invited to Florida’s Capitol to present both the challenges and successes of providing safe housing to minor victims of sex trafficking to the Florida House of Representatives as well as the Florida Stands Against Human Trafficking Legislative Caucus. She was featured as a trusted Resource Provider during the 2013 and 2015 Statewide Human Trafficking Summits at the University of South Florida.
Who’s on Your CSEC Team?
The Need for a Standardized MDT Process

We know that, often, high-risk and exploited children have been involved with multiple systems and agencies and are vulnerable in a variety of ways. Child Protective Services have a responsibility to utilize a multidisciplinary team (MDT) response to support sexually exploited children. Each service area needs to identify local agencies and professionals that can serve exploited youth's unique needs and create an expanded, inclusive MDT with shared goals and agreed-upon core principles to provide a truly victim-centered, coordinated and effective CSEC response. This includes identifying their CSEC MDT facilitator and a specialized CSEC forensic interviewer. This workshop will outline the important components of a CSEC specific MDT, feature a best practice model and share Florida's MDT tool that also serves as a service plan.

Meet the Speakers

Sue Aboul-hosn
Regional Human Trafficking Prevention Coordinator,
Florida Department of Children and Families

Sue Aboul-hosn began identifying human trafficking victims among Florida Department of Children and Families’ missing children in 2003. Since 2009, she has assisted in over 500 human trafficking investigations resulting from reports received by the department’s Abuse Hotline. In her current role she provides expert guidance to Child Protective Investigators and case management, as well as developing and implementing policies, procedures and training that assist in identifying, documenting and determining the appropriate services for victims of human trafficking. She has received several certifications related to missing and exploited children, is the recipient of several awards, has been qualified as an expert witness in child risk assessment and is a graduate of the Child Welfare Leadership Program. In 2017 she was published as a contributing author in the higher education text book, Human Trafficking: A System-wide Public Safety and Community Approach.

Ann Pimentel-Kerr
Project Coordinator, Children’s Advocacy Center at
The Howard Phillips Center for Children and Families

As Project Coordinator, Ann Pimentel-Kerr is developing web-based trainings on Reporting & Indicators of Child Abuse and Neglect and Human Trafficking. She also facilitates presentations to the community and providers in the field. Ann has over 20 years’ experience working with children & families, and in the social services arena. Ann’s experience includes working with children and adults in psychiatric facilities, DCF child abuse investigations, and many years as a child welfare certified trainer. Her trainings include child abuse and neglect, reporting requirements, human trafficking, cultural diversity, mentoring and more.
Monday, Monday:
What Happens After 18 and Preparing for the Workforce

This session will focus on opportunities for youth after they turn 18. Wellspring Living has been serving trafficked women since 2001, and we have seen phenomenal success with the opening of our Women’s Academy in 2014. The Women’s Academy offers life-changing programming to young women who have experienced difficulty gaining living-wage employment due to life circumstances such as poverty, sexual abuse, and trafficking. The Women’s Academy offers an invaluable opportunity to equip women in Atlanta’s communities for success, and we’d love to see those opportunities replicated in other cities. This session will demonstrate protocols that we’ve learned and overall programming and partnership structure.

Meet the Speakers

Sala Hilaire, LCSW, MAC, CAMS
Women’s Academy Program Director, Wellspring Living

Sala I. Hilaire is the program director for the Wellspring Living Women’s Academy which provides GED, Career Readiness, and Apprenticeship opportunities to women who have experienced difficulty gaining living-wage employment due to life circumstances such as poverty, history of abuse, homelessness, sex trafficking and sexual exploitation. She is skilled in the arena of workshop development, therapeutic group facilitation, and intensive individual therapy. Her clinical expertise and many years of experience include work with individuals in crisis; survivors of emotional and physical abuse/trauma; and persons addressing issues related to addictions, grief/loss, self-esteem and stress. Sala has over 29 years of experience in the field of social work as a therapist and administrator.

Kendra Hanson, M.Ed.
Institute Director, Wellspring Living

Kendra Hanson has been involved with Wellspring Living since 2012, and joined the staff in 2015. In the Institute, she trains and mentors organizations seeking to establish a non-profit organization serving survivors of trafficking. Kendra has a Master’s degree in Education and has mentored over 20 organizations in their plans to open safe homes or drop-in centers for survivors. Her mission, along with the mission of the Institute at Wellspring is to increase capacity for the care and restoration of survivors around the country by equipping and training staff, leaders, and community members.
Sharing Awareness In Your Community:  
I’ll Show You How

Videos are a powerful tool to capture student’s attention (and adults too!). Shared Hope has provided the tools to support your passion to protect children through community education using the Chosen resource kit. Beth demonstrates how easy it is to follow the power point introduction and closing slides, adding her own experience and flair to the presentation to help teach kids how to protect themselves. The 20 minute film is a powerful true story of two teens that were tricked by traffickers, who weren’t in the ‘at risk’ populations, but instead were athletic, straight A students, doing community service, in youth group and from two-parent families. Find out how this could have been prevented “if they had only known the signs.” We will also be viewing I AM LITTLE RED an animated short for children from the creators of I Am Jane Doe. You’ll gain confidence and feel equipped to speak out in your community after seeing Beth demonstrate the tools that are being effectively used nationwide!

Meet the Speaker

Beth Edmonds  
Regional Coordinator for Ambassadors of Hope, Shared Hope International

Motivated to address the issue of CSEC, Beth Edmonds started by leading the Teen Assault Awareness group for Community Solutions, and went through their “Solutions to Violence Training.” When she began going into schools to teach the signs of sexual assault, she realized that she needed to know more about Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking and applied to become a trained volunteer Ambassador for Shared Hope. Beth is now one of Shared Hope’s Regional Coordinators for Ambassadors, helping train and support other people ‘just like her’ to realize they can effectively fight sex trafficking.
CSEC and Trauma:
Why Don’t They Leave?

This training will provide materials, tools and activities to recognize and understand trauma, trauma bonding, the “Compliance Model” and how it is applied to CSEC. We will also discuss what CSEC encounter during their victimization, complex trauma, PTSD, responses (physical, emotional, behavioral), and how to become a trauma-informed agency/provider. This presentation is interactive and provides activities and real-life experience as examples.

Meet the Speaker

Esther Rodriguez Brown
Founder and Executive Director, The Embracing Project

Born and raised in Barcelona, Spain, Esther Rodriguez Brown arrived in the United States in 2001. In 2007 she began working with incarcerated youth, and in efforts to teach them skills of empathy she founded The Embracing Project. With it, she developed a curriculum that parallels the effects of genocide and gang violence and the links between gangs and the exploitation of girls. From 2011 to 2013 she was contracted as a consultant by Clark County District Courts as the Sexually Exploited Youth Court Administrator. In 2013 she opened the Center 4 Peace, the only drop-in center for minor sex trafficking survivors in Las Vegas. Esther has a MA in Child & Adolescent Psychology and a BA in Criminal Justice. She is certified as a field traumatologist by The Green Cross Academy of Traumatology and has a 200H TTC yoga teacher training in yoga therapy and Ayurveda approach.
FOSTA:
New Tools to Address Online Advertising of Sex Trafficking

This session will discuss recent federal legislation that permits state criminal action and civil suits to address the use of technology platforms to promote or facilitate sex trafficking and prostitution. The session will provide an overview of the cases and events that led to the legislation, including the investigation and prosecution of backpage.com.

Meet the Speaker

Alexandra Gelber
Deputy Chief, Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, U.S. Department of Justice

Alexandra Gelber joined the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS) in the Criminal Division of the U.S. Department of Justice in 2004. She works with U.S. Attorney’s Offices around the country on the investigation and prosecution of federal child sexual exploitation crimes, including cases involving child pornography, sex trafficking of minors, child sex tourism, and enticement and coercion of minors. As Deputy Chief, Alexandra is responsible for developing CEOS’ legislation and policy agenda. In this role, she drafts legislation, analyzes pending legislative proposals, and liaisons with other domestic and international offices, law enforcement agencies, and non-governmental organizations on child exploitation issues. From November, 2016, to July 2017, She served as the National Coordinator for Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction in the Office of the Deputy Attorney General. Prior to joining the Department, Alexandra was an associate at the Washington D.C. office of Sidley Austin LLP. She clerked for the Honorable Roger B. Andewelt on the U.S. Court of Federal Claims.
Using a Gender Lens in the Prevention of Sex Trafficking

Based on available research, the majority of victims of sex trafficking are female and the majority of buyers and traffickers are male. Traditional prevention efforts such as public awareness campaigns and education can inform a community on how to identify or respond to sex trafficking, but do not always address the root causes or cultural norms that perpetuate the problem. By failing to see primary prevention efforts through a gender-lens, we unintentionally contribute to victim-blaming as though the problem or behavior is inevitable. The objective of this presentation is to share the outcomes of two gender-specific, primary prevention efforts in San Diego: Girls Only! a prevention education and mentoring program that aims to prevent girls ages 8-15 from becoming victims of CSEC and Boys Only, a prevention education toolkit designed to instill empathy and empower boys to achieve equality with an overall goal of reducing gender-based violence including sex trafficking.

Meet the Speakers

Bianca Morales-Egan
Technical Advisor, Human Trafficking and Gender Equity, Project Concern International

Bianca Morales-Egan has diverse experience in the international development and gender studies, including coordinating a program to build self-esteem in Liberian refugee girls, serving as a Peace Writer for USD’s Kroc Institute of Peace and Justice Women PeaceMaker program and working with international research departments who serve victims of political torture. Since 2009, she has worked at Project Concern International (PCI), serving as both the Manager of Field Operations and more recently as PCI’s Technical Advisor for Human Trafficking and Gender Equity. Bianca is the director of PCI’s human trafficking prevention initiatives in San Diego County, including the Girls Only! and Boys Only! youth prevention program and the CEASE San Diego Network an effort to reduce the demand for illegal commercial sex throughout San Diego County. Bianca was chosen as the Human Trafficking Viewpoint Partner by Social Venture Partners in 2016 and was recently elected co-chair of the San Diego County Advisory Council on Human Trafficking’s Community Subcommittee.

Janet Ruiz, MCJ
Human Trafficking Prevention Manager, Project Concern International

While at UCLA, Janet Ruiz worked for the Department of Homeland Security as a Management Program Assistant; simultaneously earning the Chancellor’s Service Award for a sustained record of commitment to leadership and service and was recognized as the Latina of the Year. Janet has over ten years of experience working with disenfranchised communities, specifically youth involved with the juvenile justice system and the Department of Children & Family Services. She has published articles on juvenile delinquency and death row. Janet is currently Project Concern International’s (PCI) Human Trafficking Prevention Manager, overseeing the quality implementation of the Girls Only! and Boys Only! curriculum – CSEC prevention programs that are gender-specific, culturally responsive, and developmentally appropriate for youth age 8-15 in San Diego County.
The Consequential Relationship: 

**Childhood Sexual Abuse & Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking**

This workshop will highlight the indisputable connection between childhood sexual abuse (CSA), domestic minor sex trafficking (DMST) and commercial sexual exploitation (CSE) by featuring the latest research findings that underscore this relationship. The workshop will further identify psychological and neurobiological changes that occur as a result of childhood sexual abuse, as well as paralleling relational dynamics that can leave survivors of CSA vulnerable to further exploitation in the form of CSE and/or DMST. Innovative promising approaches that integrate both mind and body will be presented to encourage a paradigm shift and broaden our working repertoire with this population, such as mindfulness, somatic experiencing concepts, sensorimotor psychotherapy, EMDR, narrative therapy and animal assisted therapy. We will also review Post Traumatic Growth (PTG) concepts and the response of boys/males to CSA.

**Meet the Speakers**

**Sambra Zaoui, LCSW**  
*Traumatologist, EMDR Therapist, SSW Faculty Member, Barry University*

For the past 18 years professor/Instructor Sambra Zaoui has practiced and studied the relationship childhood sexual abuse (CSA) has on adult intimate interpersonal functioning, and most recently, its direct relationship to domestic minor sex trafficking (DMST) and commercial sexual exploitation (CSE). As an active licensed clinical social worker and certified clinical trauma professional, and EMDR therapist, she actively engages individuals, couples, and families with complex sexual trauma histories, where she also conducts the group she authored: Crossing the Jordan: Where Women Heal. In fall 2016, The Lighthouse Effect: A therapeutic conversation about childhood sexual abuse and its relationship to commercial sexual exploitation/sex trafficking was published in Crime and Punishment in America: An Encyclopedia of Trends and Controversies in the Justice System. Sambra further serves as an advisory board member to two different local anti-trafficking organizations: The Life of Freedom Center (serving women), and Ark of Freedom Alliance (which serves males and the LGBTQ community).

**Nathan Earl**  
*Executive Director, Ark of Freedom Alliance*

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Empowered Self-Care:

How Mindfulness and Self-Kindness Reduce Trauma and Stress

This session focuses on simple strategies for reducing trauma and stress using daily, consistent self-care and self-empowerment skills. Sometimes, in the anti-trafficking movement, we work so hard for others and for the cause that we become overcommitted and exhausted. The solutions and information provided in this session reveal new research on stress management, and explore how mindfulness practices refresh your spirit, mind and body. Participation in mindfulness meditation, visualization, and discussion is encouraged, but not required.

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Meet the Speaker

Marti MacGibbon, CADC-II, ACRPS, CAPMS
Speaker, Author, Certified Mental Health Professional, Survivor Leader, Marti Mac Enterprises, LLC, HEALTrafficking

Marti MacGibbon is a speaker, author and national advocate for human trafficking victims and survivors who has shared her expertise at the White House and the State Department. She is recipient of the 2015 IAIC Lifetime Recovery Advocate Award, for outstanding accomplishments in support of recovery and reducing the stigma surrounding addiction, mental illness, homelessness and human trafficking. She is a member of the HEALTrafficking board of directors.
HOPE Court:
District of Columbia’s Response to Sexually Exploited Youth in the Court System

HOPE Court is a treatment court in the District of Columbia that serves sexually exploited youth in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems. This workshop will highlight cases that inspired stakeholders to create HOPE court, describe the implementation and benefits of a multidisciplinary team, and walk the audience through the life of a HOPE Court case. Presenters will share the importance of a trauma informed court response and specialty trained team when working with sexually exploited youth with delinquency, persons in need of supervision (PINS), and neglect cases.

Meet the Speakers

Megan Aniton, JD
Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia

Megan Aniton began her time at the OAG in the Child Protection Section and is currently prosecuting juvenile delinquency and status offense cases in the Juvenile Specialty Courts Unit (JSCU). In her capacity as an attorney in JSCU, Megan is the assigned prosecutor to HOPE Court, a treatment court for cases involving youth who are involved in or at risk of sexual exploitation. Prior to joining the OAG, Megan worked as an analyst in the Exploited Children’s Division at the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Megan received her BA in psychology and criminal justice from the University of Michigan and her JD from the University of Pittsburgh, School of Law.

Rashida Wilson Prioleau, JD
Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia

For the past ten years, Rashida Prioleau has handled the civil prosecution of child abuse and neglect cases as a member of the Child Protection Sections. Rashida represents the DC Child and Family Services Agency, and works with a diverse team of professionals including social workers, medical experts, law enforcement, child advocates, and mental health professionals. Rashida has extensive experience with using a multidisciplinary team approach to the prosecution and treatment of child abuse. She served as a member of the multidisciplinary team at Safe Shores, the District of Columbia’s child advocacy center that serves child victims of sexual and physical abuse. Rashida now serves as the child welfare prosecutor in HOPE Court, a treatment court for cases involving sexually exploited children.
CSEC Hierarchy of Survival:
Understanding the Process from Surviving to Thriving

Through first-hand research and personal experience, this presentation will provide an insightful look at how victims face their daily lives as well as the tumultuous journey from sex trafficking victim to fully self-actualized thriver. Using Maslow’s Hierarchy of Needs as a skeletal foundation, we will discuss the processes in which victims of sex trafficking deal with the trauma and stigma of life on the streets. This presentation will 1) give service providers a model on which to base standard operating practices 2) provide a clear vision and perspective for law enforcement to see the exploited victims of sex trafficking as victims, rather than anti-social street-hustling criminals and 3) humanize victims in an increasingly fractured, self-absorbed and global world while acknowledging the stigmas that come from living in a heteronormative patriarchal society.

Meet the Speaker

Russell Glenn Wilson
OVC Consultant, OTIP Consultant, NHTTAC Consultant and Thriving Survivor

Russell Glenn Wilson is an internationally recognized anti-trafficking consultant. Russell participated in the first Human Trafficking Leadership Academy where he, along with other anti-trafficking experts, from across multiple disciplines, created the federal definition of what it means to be “survivor informed” as well as developing formal recommendations for federal grantees to achieve “survivor informed” status. As a Ronald E. McNair Scholar, Russell completed a research project in Cambodia looking at the factors of resiliency for male survivors of commercial sexual exploitation. He received the UC Berkeley Institute of International Studies Undergraduate Merit Scholarship and the Benjamin Gilman Scholarship to continue his research in Indonesia in 2016. As a CSEC survivor and former foster child, Russell has a unique and insightful perspective on the issues that male trafficking victims and survivors face in their daily lives.
Sex Trafficking and Child Welfare:
Successful Implementation of Federal Law and Collaboration with Non-Governmental Organizations

The Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act requires child welfare nationwide to implement policies and procedures related to the identification and response to victims of sex trafficking within the child welfare system. The state of Oregon has created a system that positively identified over 30 victims of CSEC in 2017 with training, a screening tool, and collaboration with law enforcement and community supports. Attendees will learn how the State of Oregon successfully partnered with faith based and other NGO models, to provide services to children affected by sex trafficking. We will share the systems and strategy of the State and NGO partners which made it possible to work collaboratively with the governmental systems, how other organizations or churches can prepare to work with their child welfare systems, and some of the lessons learned along the way.

Meet the Speaker

Elizabeth Alston
Policy Analyst Statewide CSEC Coordinator, State of Oregon Department of Human Services

Elizabeth Alston has been active within the anti-sex trafficking movement for the past 8 years in various capacities including: building awareness, providing direct intervention services to victims of trafficking, and maintaining and introducing new systems for the State of Oregon on this matter. In her role as CSEC Coordinator Elizabeth implements required and ongoing training, provides technical support on cases, analyzes policies and procedures related to trafficking, and ensures that Oregon is in full compliance with PL 113-183. Previously, she drafted, directed and implemented Shared Hope International’s video resource, Chosen. She served as a subject matter expert on prevention education for youth at Warner Pacific College, has written a masters level education course, and serves as adjunct faculty in the Masters of Human Services program. Elizabeth also serves on the Attorney Generals Trafficking Intervention Advisory Committee.
Trauma-Sensitive Yoga:
An Embodied Healing Approach

Extant literature suggests that more attention is needed to the development of therapeutic options designed specifically for survivors of human trafficking (APA, 2014). In particular, therapeutic models that use a somatic, experiential approach to intervention targeting complex trauma impacts may be more helpful than solely symptom reduction (APA, 2014; Choi, Klein, Shin & Lee, 2009; Hopper, 2017b; van der Kolk, 2014). Furthermore, research suggests that trauma-focused group yoga increases self-compassion, and creates connection and community building on a mind-body-spirit level (Price et al., 2017; Clark et al., 2014; Crews, Stolz-Newton, & Grant, 2016) and reduces trauma and stress-related symptoms (van der Kolk et al., 2014). This session introduces a trauma sensitive yoga (TCTSY, Emerson et al., 2009) model developed for individuals with complex trauma. It will explore safety, choice-making, agency and control as processes for restoring the mind and body impacted by traumatic stress. Providers are highly encouraged to experience this body-based intervention in order to build resiliency and consider ways to build capacity for offering related practices in one’s own setting.

*Attendees interested in participating in yoga practice are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and to bring a yoga mat or towel.*

Meet the Speaker

**Dominique Malebranche, PhD**
*Program Coordinator, Project REACH, The Trauma Center at Justice Resource Institute*

Through her role at Project REACH, a national anti-human trafficking program, Dominique Malebranche offers short-term assessment and mental health services to survivors of sex and labor trafficking, including foreign-born and domestic survivors of all ages, as well as training and consultation to anti-trafficking professionals throughout the U.S. She is also a postdoctoral fellow at the Trauma Center at JRI in Brookline, MA specializing in mind-body interventions for individuals with complex trauma exposure, interpersonal violence and cross-cultural issues. Dominique served leadership roles on the Central Missouri Stop Human Trafficking Coalition, Global Sex Trafficking Conference of the Sex-trafficking Awareness, Freedom & Empowerment Coalition for Human Rights and co-chaired the Cross-Cultural Immersion Training Committee of the International Section of Division 17 (the Society of Counseling Psychology) of the American Psychological Association.
Creating Mental Health Recommendations in Rural Middle America: Benefits, Challenges, and Implications for Providers

Presenters will provide an overview of a recent project undertaken by the North Dakota Human Trafficking Task Force to understand and improve mental health access and service provision for trafficking survivors across the state of North Dakota. North Dakota is a rural/conservative state which creates unique challenges and provides important implications for serving victims of human trafficking. Implications include: the consideration of regional cultural nuances to understand survivor needs and available resources, development of practical systems-based networks of providers who are eager to serve survivors and who identify as trauma informed practitioners, and importance of community support/collaboration, and accurate identification of survivors.

Meet the Speakers

Erin Hagen, M.Ed. LPCC-S
Counselor, North Dakota State University

Erin Hagen is a counselor, supervisor and doctoral student at North Dakota State University who specializes in treating interpersonal trauma. Erin’s clinical experience includes serving children and adults who have been impacted by domestic violence and sexual abuse/assault and she currently works in a private practice that specializes in treating anxiety and depression. Her research and advocacy work include qualitative research to advance the understanding of counseling needs for human trafficking survivors, understanding counselor qualities that are well-suited for complex trauma work, creating a local mental health referral network for human trafficking survivors, and speaking to new clinicians about interpersonal trauma. In addition, Erin has served as an expert witness in child sexual abuse court cases.

Emily Schwartz
Director, North Dakota Human Trafficking Task Force

For the past ten years, Emily Schwartz has been working to combat interpersonal violence, the past four years focused specifically on the issue of human trafficking in a variety of capacities. This has included protocol development, grant writing and management of a regional victim service response team. In her current role as Director of the NDHTTF, Emily aims to build bridges between three key disciplines to include law enforcement, service providers, and prosecution. This has included addressing areas of intersectionality, such as the mental health needs of juveniles and adults.
One Size Doesn’t Fit All:

What is the Ideal Placement for Commercially Sexually Exploited Children?

What types of placements and associated services have a positive impact on stabilizing commercially sexually exploited children (CSEC) and youth? Los Angeles County is engaging in research to answer this pressing question and provide guidance for other jurisdictions. Panelists will discuss the current landscape of placement options being utilized for CSEC across the United States, including foster care facilities, group homes, mental health facilities and specialized CSEC only placements. Panelists will also discuss the specialized services that have been developed in Los Angeles County, including specialized courts in the delinquency and dependency systems, dedicated units of probation officers and social workers, and specialized community-based advocates, and the impact this has on placement stability for youth. Findings from both quantitative and qualitative research will be presented, including an assessment of AWOL rates in various placement types and valuable feedback from youth involved in the Los Angeles County juvenile justice and child welfare systems.

Meet the Speakers

Kate Walker Brown, JD
Director, Child Trafficking, National Center for Youth Law

Kate Walker Brown’s career has been devoted to examining the CSEC in the U.S. and its intersection with the child welfare system. She currently serves as Project Director for California’s CSEC Action Team and has partnered with several counties to develop and implement interagency protocols to effectively serve CSEC, including Los Angeles’ Law Enforcement First Responder Protocol. Kate was the primary author of, “Ending the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children: A Call for Multi-System Collaboration in California.”

Michelle Guymon, MSW
Director, Child Trafficking Unit, Los Angeles County Probation Department

Michelle Guymon has worked for the Los Angeles County Probation Department for 23 years and is the project manager for Los Angeles County’s First Responder Protocol for Commercially Sexually Exploited Children. The program, which was launched this summer in Long Beach, Compton and Lynwood, places a priority on treating children that are trafficked as victims rather than criminals. She is an advocate for children at risk and is currently the Probation Department representative with the Los Angeles CSEC Action Team and founder of the Empowerment Conference, an annual gathering for sex trafficking survivors and advocates. Michelle was formerly Deputy Probation Officer Counselor at Dorothy Kirby Center, Mental Health Consultant for Probation and Director of Camp Kenyon Scudder, an all-female probation camp, which serves about 300 girls a year.
Open Doors Outreach Network: 

A Survivor-Led Innovative Approach

Old ways won’t open new doors. CSEC and young adult survivors of sex trafficking need ongoing, victim-centered direct service providers who are not only trauma-informed, but also trauma competent. Voices for Florida’s Open Doors Outreach Network has leveraged the work of subject matter experts, survivors and innovators to create a new model of service provision and an overall new approach to addressing the complex social problem of sex trafficking. This workshop will describe the Open Doors Outreach Network team approach, including the use of Survivor Mentors, Regional Advocates and Clinicians. Open Doors Outreach Network partner and direct service provider, One More Child Anti-Trafficking, will illustrate real world examples of how the team works on the ground and the benefits of this innovative approach for survivors.

Meet the Speakers

Robyn Metcalf, MPA, MSW
Open Doors Statewide Director, Voices for Florida

Robyn Metcalf is responsible for the planning, executing and compliance by all parties related to the successful implementation of the Open Doors network. Prior to working with Voices for Florida, Robyn worked in a variety of roles with The Children’s Campaign. Most notably, she was the first apprentice to be hired by The Children’s Campaign as a full-time employee where she served as the Associate Executive Director. She also worked as a graduate assistant under Dean Emeritus Nick Mazza and Masters of Social Work Director Fran Gomory. In 2016, the College of Social Work recognized Robyn with the Distinguished Young Alumni Award, a prestigious award recognizing outstanding graduates within the past 10 years who have demonstrated significant leadership and exceptional contributions to social work.

Christa Hicks, LMHC
Executive Director, One More Child Anti-Trafficking

Christa Hicks passionately stands beside survivors of sex trafficking as they overcome vulnerabilities, obstacles and injustices to build dream-worthy lives. She earned her master’s degree from Liberty University, is a licensed mental health counselor in the state of Florida and founded an organization providing direct services to adult trafficking survivors in SWFL. As Executive Director of Anti-Trafficking at One More Child, Christa is grateful to share her experience as a second-generation trafficking survivor, her education and her years of professional growth to continuously better the services available to children, teens and adults.
Supporting Caregivers and Loved Ones to Support Survivors

The National Child Traumatic Stress Center defines complex trauma as a type of trauma that occurs repeatedly, cumulatively and even increases over time. The complex trauma experienced by survivors has a ripple effect that reaches far beyond the survivors themselves, but also to their family members, advocates, spouses, and anyone else directly linked to the recovery of a survivor. This session will explore the nuances of complex trauma from the perspective of loved ones and family members of survivors. Due to the level of trauma that survivors of human trafficking are exposed to, survivors can develop maladaptive survival behaviors that create difficulties for loved ones and caregivers. The presenter will dissect these maladaptive behaviors with participants, aiming to create a narrative relevant to the experience of caregivers and loved ones of survivors. She will also offer and explore self-care and evidence-based methodologies for successfully supporting survivors in the communities.

Meet the Speaker

Kristin Tebow, MSW
Founder and CEO, Artist and Advocate, Youth Trust Project

Kristin Tebow is an advocate for survivors of human trafficking with 10 ½ years of serving marginalized youth and adults, developing programs, and educating the public on human sex trafficking, therapeutic artistry, and meditative painting. Kristen founded a nonprofit organization, titled the Youth Trust Project that focuses on prevention, outreach, and crisis intervention of youth at risk for, and/or youth who have experienced complex trauma and/or exploitation. In addition to working with children in foster care, she enjoys working alongside community allies and law enforcement to help lead traumatized adults, teens, and children to safety and long-term healing. Kristen enjoys painting, singing, dancing, and yoga, as well as teaching self-care to helping professionals. Kristen has been nationally recognized for her artwork, providing two paintings for the distinguished Pathbreaker Award at the Shared Hope JuST Conference in 2016.
Effectively Navigating the Current 21st Century Family Service Model for Victims and High Risk Children

This interactive workshop with case studies will explore the urgent scope of working with victims and preventing others with a framework model that deals with current 21st Century dynamics and healthy communication with State Agencies and other Providers. The modern family and social capital of survivors is unique, and understanding this and relating it to our collaborative team is key. In addition, we will discuss understanding cultural languages that are based on cultural behaviors as well as idioms, and how they are important in relating to various victims and their families. With 30% of victims coming from adult formerly prostituted parents this is essential in ending demand by equipping youth with more innovative practices and a tech savvy approach that translates. We must change our hats and work with our multi-disciplinary teams to do the same.

Meet the Speaker

Brook Bello, PhD
Founder & Executive Director, More Too Life, Open Doors Outreach Network Provider

Brook Bello is a sought out international champion against trafficking and gender violence. She is author of several books and a successful urgent care framework service model. Brook is an ordained minister who holds a Ph.D. in pastoral clinical counseling and is accredited in pastoral clinical and temperance based counseling. Other degrees include bachelor in biblical studies, masters in pastoral clinical counseling and two honorary doctorates. She received the lifetime achievement award from the 44th President of the United States in 2016 and Advocate of the Year Award from Florida’s Attorney General Pam Bondi, Governor Rick Scott, and the Human Trafficking Council. In 2018 she was chosen by Google as a Google Next Gen Policy Leader. She is a vested member of the Screen Actors Guild. Brook believes in the power of changing the trajectory of one’s life through discovering pure potential, balance through identity discovery and our gifts which are to be used to catapult us forward and be a blessing in the earth and to others.
Ready or Not, Here We Come:  
A Strategic Response for NGO’s, LE, Business and Gov’t to Target Sex Buyers

Built on the philosophy that none of us individually have the answer and that we are always better together, Transaction Intercept is a model for significant disruption in the demand cycle targeting those who would attempt to purchase sex with minors. In this workshop, we will illustrate the power of businesses, NGO’s, LE, and government coming together on equal footing to attack the problem of demand using technology, true collaboration and determination. Transaction Intercept is a model that doesn’t have to be replicated; it is designed to be shared.

Meet the Speakers

**Bob Rodgers**  
*CEO, Street Grace and Founder,*  
*Freedom Coalition, Atlanta*

Bob Rodgers brings more than 30 years of corporate and nonprofit leadership and team development experience to his role at Street Grace. Previously, as president of Richmont Graduate University, which offers fully accredited graduate programs in Counseling, Ministry and Spiritual Formation. Bob led the university into an era of institutional and financial growth, including the opening of an Atlanta campus and launching two university-sponsored mental health trauma centers. Having written for a variety of business journals and publications he has been quoted by The Wall Street Journal, the Atlanta Business Chronicle and has appeared on CNN.

**Brian Johnston**  
*Assistant Special Agent in Charge,*  
*Georgia Bureau of Investigation*

Brian Johnston has been in law enforcement for twenty-three years and is currently assigned to the GBI’s Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit. The unit is responsible for the management of Georgia’s Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) task force as well as child exploitation investigations including child pornography and CSEC investigations. He has worked in a multi-disciplinary approach to child sex trafficking which involves working closely with other law enforcement agencies, victim service providers, medical providers, child advocacy centers, child welfare agencies, and other government and non-government organization to combat child exploitation in Georgia.

**Camila Wright Zolfaghari, JD, LLM**  
*Vice President of Policy, Street Grace*

Camila Zolfaghari brings ten years expertise and experience prosecuting human trafficking cases and spearheading legislative changes. Her primary responsibility is expanding Demand an End through the state Attorneys General’s offices, partnering with them to eliminate the demand that fuels human trafficking, as she previously did in the Georgia Attorney General’s Office in her role as chief human trafficking prosecutor. She is also focused on setting and advancing legislative policy focused demand prosecution and deterrence, and the prevention of human trafficking.
Beyond the Ivory Tower:

The Role of Universities and Action Research in Anti-Trafficking Efforts

This presentation highlights the role of universities in producing data and analyses that local leaders, agencies and organizations are using to acquire or reallocate funding, develop evidence-based anti-trafficking policies, discern best practices and influence legislation. We will explain how and why a local study impacted multi-sector decision-making among stakeholders connected through the San Diego (SD) Regional Human Trafficking (HT) and CSEC Advisory Council using specific examples from law enforcement, social services, public schools, state legislation and philanthropy. We will also highlight a potential model for other regions: the formation of the San Diego Human Trafficking Research and Data Advisory Roundtable (HT-RADAR). HT-RADAR, birthed out of the SD County Advisory Council on HT and CSEC, is a regional network of data analysts and researchers who aim to direct their HT research at topics related to victims, perpetrators, and consumers of sex and labor trafficking.

Meet the Speakers

Ami Carpenter, PhD
Associate Professor, University of San Diego

Ami Carpenter is an associate professor at the Joan B. Kroc School of Peace Studies at the University of San Diego, and teaches courses in conflict resolution, conflict analysis, and negotiation. She was the Principal Investigator on a Department of Justice grant, The Nature and Extent of Gang Involvement in Sex Trafficking in San Diego County, and has worked on numerous initiatives as a mediator, facilitator, trainer, and conflict resolution consultant. Ami currently advises the U.S. Institute of Peace on its programs on countering violent extremism and applied research on conflict, Interpeace, the San Diego Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention, and the San Diego County Advisory Council on Human and Child Sex Trafficking. Her research focuses on community resilience to violence and the criminal dimensions of political conflicts.

Jamie Gates, PhD
Professor, Point Loma Nazarene University

Jamie Gates, cultural anthropologist and director of Point Loma Nazarene University’s Center for Justice and Reconciliation, co-led the groundbreaking research project “Measuring the Extent and Nature of Gang Involvement in Sex Trafficking in the San Diego/Tijuana Border Region” (2013-16). He co-chairs the Research and Data Committee of the San Diego County Advisory Council on Human Trafficking and CSEC. He founded and directs the Human Trafficking Research and Data Advisory Roundtable (HT-RADAR) for SD County and led the university in establishing the Beauty for Ashes Scholarship Fund for survivors of HT to get their college degree. Jamie leads an effort to design and implement kNOw MORE, a drama-based peer-to-peer human trafficking awareness training in San Diego’s middle and high schools. He serves as expert witness on human trafficking legislation and also serves as faith-based organizer with regional and national faith-based organizations.
DAY 3

THURSDAY | OCTOBER 18
“Do You See Me Now?”

Strategies for Identifying and Engaging Male Minor Victims of CSE

During this plenary, attendees will learn how to effectively develop strategies and tactics for identifying and engaging with male and LGBTQ youth victimized by commercial sexual exploitation. National research shows that boys can make up as much as half of all child sex trafficking victims, however, continued challenges exist in regional and local efforts to not only identify these victims, but how to effectively engage and connect them with services. Presenter will address misconceptions regarding the intersectionality of males regarding sexual orientation and gender expression. Audience will learn about proven methodologies used by researchers to engage young men having sex with men, YMSM, such as respondent-driven sampling and peer educators. In addition, presenter will review tactics and channels for solicitation used by traffickers that can be also be used by outreach staff and other service providers. Presenter will conduct a review of core Marketing principles that have been proven successful in engaging with hard to reach male and LGBT youth. Plenary ends with a review of core components essential to any program aimed at serving male youth survivors and those at risk.

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Starting Again: 
Financial Justice

FOR THOSE WHO WORK WITH TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS IT IS ABUNDANTLY CLEAR that trafficking victimization causes a broad range of harm to victims, and addressing the impact of this harm can require substantial resources. However, a recurring and persistent challenge for the anti-trafficking community is the lack of necessary resources. As we consider creative solutions to resource gaps, it’s important to also remember the potential for financial recovery through both criminal and civil processes. On the criminal side, victim restitution is a critical component of survivors’ access to justice because it directs a convicted offender to pay for financial harm through the criminal sentencing process. Civil remedies also provide financial access to justice by holding the perpetrator financially liable for the financial and emotional consequences of trafficking victimization. This expert panel will examine these processes, how they can complement one another, and how survivors, as well as service providers, may be able to recover for expenses incurred in addressing the financial and emotional harms caused by trafficking offenders. The panel will also discuss the challenges, limitations and trauma considerations that can impact if and when to pursue these remedies.

Meet the Speakers

Kelly Dore  
exutive Director, National Human Trafficking Survivor Coalition

Kelly Dore owns a counseling practice and has worked with survivors of child sex abuse for 20 years, also working extensively with Government and NGO Organizations designed to combat child sex abuse. She is a survivor of familial trafficking and testified against her trafficker at 15 years old. This experience led her to look at the justice system and the relationships between Prosecutors and minor victims. Kelly is also a former Legislator and works to educate and advocate for best practice laws in State and the US Capitol. As the founder and Executive Director of the National Human Trafficking Survivor Coalition, a non-profit that bridges communication between survivors and organizations, she helps design and create laws with survivor input and advocacy, educating medical professionals, educators and lawmakers on best Trauma Informed Care practices and prevention. She is the author of a familial trafficking identification guide for medical professionals and educators.
Alexandra Gelber  Deputy Chief, Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, U.S. Department of Justice

Alexandra Gelber joined the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS) in the Criminal Division of the U.S. Department of Justice in 2004. She works with U.S. Attorney’s Offices around the country on the investigation and prosecution of federal child sexual exploitation crimes, including cases involving child pornography, sex trafficking of minors, child sex tourism, and enticement and coercion of minors. As Deputy Chief, Alexandra is responsible for developing CEOS’ legislation and policy agenda. In this role, she drafts legislation, analyzes pending legislative proposals, and liaisons with other domestic and international offices, law enforcement agencies, and non-governmental organizations on child exploitation issues. From November, 2016, to July 2017, She served as the National Coordinator for Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction in the Office of the Deputy Attorney General. Prior to joining the Department, Alexandra was an associate at the Washington D.C. office of Sidley Austin LLP. She clerked for the Honorable Roger B. Andewelt on the U.S. Court of Federal Claims.

Joel Shapiro, JD  Attorney, Law Office of Joel Shapiro, PC

Joel is an attorney, victims’ advocate, and policy advisor in Portland, OR. He has extensive sex trafficking policy experience, including serving as Chief Counsel to U.S. Senator Ron Wyden, where he crafted the 2009 Wyden-Cornyn DMST legislation, and as lobbyist for Shared Hope International. He currently represents victims of sex trafficking in civil litigation and restitution claims, including claims against Backpage.com. He also serves on the Oregon Department of Justice’s Trafficking Intervention Advisory Committee, and continues to advocate on behalf of sex trafficking victims at the Oregon Legislature. Joel holds a B.A. in Political Science, and a J.D. from Lewis & Clark Law School.

Moderator: Christine Raino, JD  Senior Director of Public Policy, Shared Hope International

Christine Raino joined Shared Hope International in 2011 as part of a new domestic policy initiative, and helped draft the legal analysis of the 50 states and District of Columbia that laid the foundation for the annual Protected Innocence Challenge Report Cards. Currently Christine leads the Center for Justice & Advocacy’s research and advocacy on state and federal laws pertaining to protections and services for juvenile sex trafficking victims. She directs legislative advocacy efforts to further the protection of child victims and provides technical assistance to legislators.