Tuesday, October 15
7:00 – 8:30 AM – Registration and Breakfast
8:15 AM – Opening Remarks
8:45 – 9:30 AM – Keynote

An Intersectional Response to Victims from Marginalized Communities
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There is a silent, yet sinister bias that looms in the perspectives of all humans. This bias is subconscious and shifts the way in which we interact with those around us. The predisposition of this bias creates a foundation from which we interpret experiences to include the way we interpret our views and judgements about victims. The manner in which victims experience the systems are often negatively impacted by bias and neuroscience can explain this phenomenon. We will also explore the delivery of service by examining how the individual is impacted by gender, race, class, orientation, nation status, parental status, housing, geographic location...Victims who reside in marginalized communities and/or have complicated intersectional identities inherently have limited access to justice.

Senior Special Agent (Retired) Russell W. Strand, CFP-A, is a managing partner, along with his wife, of Strand² Squared LLC, is the creator of the Forensic Experiential Trauma Interview and is a member of the founding faculty as an independent consultant of Certified FETI. Russ began his career in 1975 as a military police officer, and then worked as a military police investigator until retiring 22 years later as a senior special agent in the U.S. Army Criminal Investigations Command. Next, Russ was appointed as the Chief of the U.S. Army Military Police Behavioral Sciences Education & Training Division where he worked for 20 years. Russ has distinguished himself as a professional, educator and a consultant and is internationally recognized for his leadership, his impact and vision.

Myra Strand, MA, is a managing partner, along with her husband, of Strand² Squared LLC where she provides consultation, forensic experiential trauma interviewing, training and assistance to agencies and service providers. Myra began working with people who have complex trauma in 1995. She has experience with youth with complex trauma, people with developmental disabilities, youth in competing war zones, county inmates, in the area of death notification and with victims of all crime types. Myra has over a decade as a professor of ethnic and gender studies, intersectionality and issues of violence at NAU, Coconino Community College and at the County Detention Center. Myra is nationally recognized for her contribution to field complicated and often traumatic human services.
Session 1 – 10 – 11:30 AM

Ending the Cycle: Trauma-Informed Integrated Health Services for Survivors of Human Trafficking

Ronald Chambers, M.D. FAAFP, Director, DIO, Family Medicine Residency, Methodist Hospital, Family Medicine Residency
Jennifer Cox, Program Director, Medical Safe Haven, Methodist, Family Medicine Residency

Due to a lack of provider training on survivor-oriented care, many trafficking victims, who seek healthcare services, characterize their interactions with providers as re-traumatizing, threatening their access to needed care and support. Victims of human trafficking often experience serious psychological trauma, such as, chronic, and complex post-traumatic stress disorder. Integrated mental health services need to be an integral part of the immediate and long-term care strategy for survivors, along with preventative health. This presentation will discuss, from physician and survivor perspective, a trauma-informed approach to victim-centered care which uses survivor informed practices that address barriers to care for trafficking victims, including stigmatization, and trauma-bonding.

Dr. Ronald Chambers is a fourth generation family physician. He attended U.C Santa Barbara for undergrad, attended medical school at George Washington in Washington DC. He is Program Director for Methodist Family Medicine Residency Program, and Medical Director Mercy Family Health Center, Chair of Family Medicine Department, Chief of South Sacramento Hill Physicians, Physician Advisor for the Dignity Health Human Trafficking Response Program, and Clinical Faculty for U.C. Davis. His current passion is human trafficking survivor care and the creation of trauma-informed longitudinal medical safe haven coinciding with resident physician education and training in trauma and survivor informed best practices. Others areas of interest include humanitarianism in medicine and global health medicine.

Jennifer Cox is Program Director, Human Trafficking Medical Safe Haven, for Dignity Health’s Family Medicine Residency and system Human Trafficking Response Program (HTRP) Residency Advisor. Jennifer has been strategically involved in Dignity Health’s system-wide human trafficking initiative since 2015, serving on the HTRP steering committee, and as Community Health Specialist, Jennifer lead initiative support for the human trafficking program at 5 of Dignity Health’s Hospital facilities in Sacramento, Ca. Prior to this role, Jennifer served 5 years as Executive Director for a community based pregnancy resource center and medical clinic. Jennifer concurrently served 12 years as an ICCE health educator for Sutter Health and 20 years as women’s ministry Director in Davis, Ca.

How To Shut Down Traffickers

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Bazzel Baz, Founder and President, ARC: Association for the Recovery of Children
Tina Paulson, Human Trafficking Program Director and Legislative Liaison, ARC - Association for the Recovery of Children

The child sex trafficking criminal enterprise is strengthening in volume, tactics and aggressiveness despite our national efforts to suppress it and spread awareness. In this confidential instruction session, ARC will teach you practical, unconventional tactics, including archetypes of CIA tradecraft, that are vital to winning the war on child sex trafficking...because right now most everything the world is doing is not working. Because ARC will divulge sensitive methodology, all attendees will be required to sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement with ARC.
Bazzel Baz is known as “the Patron Saint for Missing Kids.” He is a former CIA Intelligence Special Operations Officer, a Citadel graduate, recipient of the Intelligence Commendation Medal and a former counter-terrorism officer in the U.S. Marine Corps. In 1993 Baz founded the Association for the Recovery of Children (ARC), a non-profit organization comprised of former and active intelligence, military, and law enforcement personnel who rescue missing and abducted American children in the US or overseas. Baz is well-known globally for his expertise and extraordinary skillset. He is an author, counter-terrorism advisor and spokesperson, a well sought-after motivational speaker, a life coach, film and television writer, producer and actor.

Tina Paulson has been professionally engaged in combating sex trafficking in the US since 2014. She specializes in prevention, locating victims, and victim advocacy. Having worked extensively with victims being trafficked and those in recovery, she possesses a wealth of street-level insight into the vulnerabilities, traumas, and the needs of victims as well as the inner workings of the human trafficking criminal enterprise. Tina has spearheaded collaborative emergency response programs that provide immediate assistance, evaluation, and connection to shelter and services for sex trafficking victims. Tina participates in several anti-human trafficking task forces and collaborations.

**Operation Team Player**

*Carrie Landau, MCJ, Special Agent, FBI*

*Yvonne Ambrose, Founder & President, Desiree Foundation Against Sex Trafficking*

*Michael Barker, MSW, Special Agent, FBI*

*Christopher Parente, JD, AUSA, United States Attorney’s Office*

*Felice Weller, BS, Victim Witness Coordinator, United States Attorney’s Office*

*Jonathan Williamson, SA, Special Agent, FBI*

This presentation will be a case study into the life of Joseph Hazley and his desires to pimp girls to enhance his party lifestyle as well as his predatory sexual behaviors. 16 year old Desiree Robinson was murdered by a client as Hazley sat outside awaiting money from sex acts agreed to between the suspect and Robinson. The case study will focus on the investigation that commenced subsequent to her death which led to the arrest of two subjects without hearing from the victim as she was deceased. The agents, and prosecutors will present the case from start to finish and the presentation will end with words and feelings of the victim’s mother, Yvonne Ambrose. Ambrose will speak to her fight against domestic minor sex trafficking and her advocacy in keeping her daughter’s memory alive. The session may contain content and imagery not suitable for all audiences; attendee discretion is advised.

**Carrie Landau** is a Special Agent and a 16 year veteran of the FBI. Agent Landau works Violent Crimes Against Children and is assigned to the Chicago Division, South RA, where she specializes in investigations involving domestic minor sex trafficking and child abductions. Agent Landau is a member of the Child Abduction Rapid Deployment Team, North Central Team. Agent Landau has recently been qualified as an expert witness with respect to domestic minor sex trafficking in United States Federal Court. Agent Landau has a Master’s Degree in Criminal Justice from St. Ambrose University, Davenport, Iowa. Agent Landau was the case agent for the first domestic minor sex trafficking prosecution in the Northern District of Ohio. Agent Landau received the Medal of Excellence in April 2019.

**Yvonne Ambrose** is a mother of a sex trafficking victim, advocate against human trafficking, and speaker. Yvonne got involved with the issue of sex trafficking December 24, 2016 when her 16 year old daughter, Desiree Robinson, was brutally murdered by a man who purchased her for sex on Backpage.com. Since this horrible act, she has dedicated her life to getting justice for Desiree and all
other Jane Doe's in the world who don't have a voice. She has become a sought-after speaker, advocate, and educator for those who might come in contact with potential victims, and those who are interested in learning more about the dangers of sex trafficking. She has shared her daughter's story with numerous media groups, production plays, and human trafficking awareness discussion panels. Yvonne also gave a powerful testimony to the U.S. Senate Committee of Commerce that helped fuel the unanimous passing of SESTA (Stop Enabling Sex Trafficking Act) through the committee and 65 co-sponsors of the bill in the Senate. She has made it her life’s goal to spread awareness about the horrors of online sex trafficking by forming the Desiree Foundation Against Sex Trafficking, a non-profit organization, so that children won’t fall victim to predators that are profiting from exploiting our children.

**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. Agent Barker has recently received an award from the Northern District of Illinois for his work on domestic minor sex trafficking cases.

**Chris Parente** is an AUSA in the Chicago U.S. Attorney’s Office. Chris currently works in the financial crimes unit and previously worked in the violent crimes unit. Prior to working in the Chicago Office, Chris worked for the U.S. Attorney’s Office in Miami. Chris has been a federal prosecutor for nearly 10 years and has investigated and prosecuted numerous human trafficking cases.

**Felice Weiler** is the Victim Witness Coordinator for the U.S. Attorney’s Office, Northern District of Illinois. Ms. Weiler has worked for the United States Attorney Office for over 27 years in the fields of Victim Witness and Financial Litigation. She holds a Bachelors Degree in both Criminology and Sociology from Purdue University. Ms. Weiler specializes in victim assistance, human trafficking, child exploitation, relocation, and restitution matters surrounding victims.

**Jonathan Williamson** has been a FBI Special Agent since 2009. During his time in the Chicago Division, he has investigated crimes against children matters including child pornography and sex trafficking. SA Williamson is currently assigned to a Violent Crime squad with primary are of responsibility being the south suburbs of Chicago, addressing violations of federal laws regarding criminal enterprise, bank robberies and kidnappings. Prior to the FBI, SA Williamson worked in various positions within the field of engineering.

**Importance of the Drop-In Center Model in Identifying Victims of Human Trafficking**

*Natasha Paradeshi, MPP, Executive Director, The Landing*

*Hilary Sherrer, Communications Manager, The Landing*

*Shani Bacy, Operations Director, The Landing*

*Alan Schonborn, MS, Child Sex Trafficking Team, Associate Director, Office of Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas*

One of the largest obstacles in the fight against human trafficking is that less than 2% of victims have been identified. Individuals may not self-identify as victims of trafficking due to psychological manipulation or threats. They may not be ready to start the long-term restoration process. Drop-in centers play a vital role in identifying victims and offering trauma-informed services. This breakout will discuss evidence-based practices of drop-in centers and how to connect victims with services that build trust, increase identification and encourage restoration. The Texas Office of The Governor’s Child Sex Trafficking Team and The Landing will share
the positive outcomes from running drop-in centers in Texas over the past three years and how these models can be effectively replicated.

**Natasha Paradeshi** serves as the Executive Director/Co-founder of The Landing, Houston’s first drop-in center for survivors of human trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation. She believes that this model helps increase trust with survivors, giving them greater access and hope for freedom. She is responsible for strategic direction, development implementation, program oversight, and community engagement. Over the past 8 years, she has been passionate about creatively filling needs and forming strategic partnerships so that more survivors can get access to the services they need. Natasha graduated from the University of Southern California with a Masters of Public Policy degree and from the University of Texas with a Bachelor of Business Administration and a Bachelor of Liberal Arts.

**Hilary Sherrer** has a Bachelor of Communications from John Brown University in Siloam Springs, Arkansas. She started volunteering at The Landing in 2016 and soon after joined their staff. Hilary now works as the Communications Manager leading all marketing efforts, coordinating the volunteer program, and providing presentations for various audiences. She is dedicated to spreading awareness about human trafficking and encouraging others to join the fight!

**Shani Bacy** graduated from the University of Houston with a B.A in Interdisciplinary Studies. She served in the school system for several years and promoted human trafficking awareness by training students and teachers. After her career in education, Shani became a full-time advocate in both government and non-government sectors including a local safe home, Redeemed Ministries, and the Harris County Sheriff’s Office providing case management and court advocacy for sex trafficking victims. Currently, Shani serves as the Operations Director for The Landing while studying at the University of Houston Graduate College of Social Work (GCSW). She focuses her studies on best practices in the anti-trafficking field and assisting in the development of human trafficking curriculum for the GCSW.

Texas Governor Greg Abbott established the Child Sex Trafficking Team to: Protect youth from being recruited; help the community Recognize exploited victims; improve law enforcement and individual victim Recovery; build long-term Restorative services; Bring Justice to victims. With a lifetime in intensive child and youth victim and treatment services arenas, **Alan Schonborn** is principally responsible for Recovery and Restoration, developing new activities from, and enhancing skills and services of, law enforcement and other first responders, child welfare and juvenile justice systems, service providers and other stakeholders on a local and statewide basis. He supports the tireless achievements of the Regional Administrators as they build resources and response capacity throughout their regions.

**Addressing Needs of Male-Identified and LGBTQ Youth: Partnership, Adaptation and Youth Voice**  
*Christina Melander, MSW, Research Fellow, University of Minnesota - UROC  
Drea Sortillon, BS, Male and LGBTQ Advocate, The Family Partnership PRIDE Program*

As communities develop responses to the needs of youth who have been sexually exploited/trafficked, much is needed still for male-identified and LGBTQ populations. Lack of identification of these populations results from marginalization and unresponsive systems. Further, data indicates that LGBTQ youth are at high-risk for involvement in commercial sex, and male-identified youth face barriers due to gender norms around masculinity. The Family Partnership’s PRIDE program (Promoting Recovery, Independence, Dignity & Equality) partners with researchers and community members to refine their programming to meet the unique needs of these populations. Participants will learn about the needs of these populations and how a program adapted their services through partnership and engaging youth voice.
Christina Melander is a Research Fellow at the University of Minnesota’s Urban Research Outreach-Engagement Center. With a focus on community-based participatory research methods, she has been a co-author of several studies on sex trading and trafficking in Minnesota. Christina is an expert on sex trafficking and other forms of gender-based violence with nine years of combined topic-area experience through victim advocacy and community-based research. She has a Bachelor’s of Sociology from the University of Chicago and a Masters of Social Work from the University of Minnesota. Her passion is working with diverse communities and survivors to lift up community wisdom and voice for systems change.

Drea Sortillon, BS, received her degree in sociology from the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point. From her education, she has found her passion by bringing the Male and LGBTQ populations of sex trafficking victims to light and advocating for more specifically tailored services and resources. She has been in her current position with The Family Partnership since April of 2018. Drea has partnered with sex trafficking task forces to help in recovery operations. This involves service-based interactions as an alternative to incarceration.

Recognizing Sex Trafficking in Hotels
Marc Tetzlaff, Victim Specialist, Homeland Security Investigations
Stacey Sutherland, Program Director, TRUST - Training and Resources United to Stop Trafficking

This presentation will focus on training hotel staff on how to recognize sex trafficking. There are many ways to combat the trafficking of minors for sex but one thing that has not received enough attention is where the actual trafficking occurs. Many if not most instances of sex trafficking of minors will occur in a hotel. By training the different departments of hotels, you can increase the number of people who can recognize and report sex trafficking to law enforcement and victims can be rescued. This hotel training program, developed jointly by the Phoenix Police and Homeland Security and then polished by the O’Connor House, is a way to increase the number of reporters of this crime. This program is available for use with permission of the TRUST AZ program in Phoenix AZ.

Marc Tetzlaff was hired as the first Victim Specialist for HSI AZ in July of 2010. He has trained thousands of citizens and police officers on Human Trafficking and has trained foreign law enforcement agents on human trafficking at the International Law Enforcement Academy 10 times over the last 4 years. He has worked with both domestic and foreign victims of trafficking and routinely consults with local and state law enforcement agencies on trafficking issues and victim care issues. Marc’s previous work experiences include working with U.S. Army soldiers and their families on issues of domestic violence and child abuse, he’s also been a victim advocate at the U.S. Attorney’s Office where he worked mostly violent and sexual abuse crimes. He helped develop the hotel training system with Phoenix P.D.

Stacey Sutherland is currently the Program Director for TRUST (Training and Resources United to Stop Trafficking). She has extensive experience conducting human trafficking related training’s across the country to multiple disciplines including medical, mental health, child welfare, victim services and law enforcement. One of her passions is working with rural communities to build local capacity to serve victims of human trafficking. Stacey began her work in the anti-trafficking field by building a regional human trafficking program. She graduated from Arizona State University with Bachelors in Science in Sociology.
Storiez: Trauma Narratives with Youth  
*Meagan Corrado, DSW, LCSW, Founder, Storiez Trauma Narratives*

Every person has a story. Many of our stories include pain and sadness, but they also include strength and resilience. Storiez helps youth who have had difficult life experiences to create, voice, and honor their narratives. This training will begin with an introduction to trauma (defining trauma, exploring trauma exposure and inner city youth, and considering the consequences of trauma exposure). It will then explore trauma treatment for youth (best practices, treatment modalities, common factors, and trauma narratives). Finally, the Storiez intervention will be presented using didactic material, video content, and participatory activities. Storiez is a 9-step framework to assist inner city youth as they create, voice, and honor their life narratives.

*Meagan Corrado* is a Doctor of Social Work and a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. She is the creator of the Storiez Trauma Narrative intervention and has authored seven books. She is a full-time faculty member at Bryn Mawr College’s Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research. She provides therapy to inner city youth in the Philadelphia and Camden, NJ areas. She earned her DSW from the University of Pennsylvania in 2016 and her Masters of Social Services from Bryn Mawr College in 2009. She specializes in work with children and teenagers who are survivors of complex trauma. Dr. Meagan is also a mixed media mosaic artist. She creates layered artwork to express inner emotions, personal experiences, and elements of her life narrative as a survivor of complex trauma.

Building Family Resilience After Trauma and Trafficking  
*Kristen Tebow, LMSW, Missing Youth Specialist, KVC Behavioral Health*  
*Amy Engle, LAMFT, CTP, Trainer and Consultant*

The National Child Traumatic Stress Center defines complex trauma as a type of trauma that occurs repeatedly, cumulatively and even increases over time. Trauma and complex trauma experienced by survivors has a ripple effect that reaches far beyond the survivors, themselves, but also their family members, advocate, spouses, and anyone else directly linked to the recovery of a survivor. This session will explore familial resilience, demonstrating the direct link between an increased level of resilience in family members and a family’s ability to withstand the impact of trauma. Along with the evidence-based studies, presenters will include testimonies of familial resilience and impacts of trauma after a traumatic event, providing examples of resilience-building exercises for families.

*Kristen Tebow, LMSW* is an advocate, artist, and Licensed Master Social Worker with 11 years of serving marginalized youth and adult victims of trauma, complex trauma, and exploitation, developing programs, and educating the public and working directly with folks within the scopes of human sex trafficking, therapeutic artistry, complex trauma, and CSEC. She is a respected member of the Survivor Leader community, and a Speaker, Consultant, and Trainer with agencies, organizations, multidisciplinary teams, locally, regionally, state-wide, and nationally as an individual expert, and as a part of a team. Kristen founded Youth Trust Project and currently sits on the Board of Directors as the outgoing Executive Director. Kristen currently works for KVC Health Systems as a Missing Youth Specialist, working in the trenches to locate and recover youth in foster care who are missing and/or whom have run away. Kristen is happily married to Austin, and the two are proud PAWRENTS of two spirited Jack Russell Terriers. She is also a self-identified cinnamon roll expert and enthusiast.

*Amy Engle, LMFT* is a wife, mother, avid coffee drinker, and survivor of CSEC. She is passionate about empowering and challenging survivors to thrive and walk into full healing from the trauma they experienced while they were trafficked. She does contract work with StreetLight from a survivor’s perspective to offer skill-building opportunities, resources, and understanding to the youth served.
to help build their resilience in their recovery from trauma. Amy is actively involved in the survivor community in Phoenix, as well as trains and consults agencies both at home and nationally. Amy earned her BA at Prairie Bible College in Alberta, Canada, and her MS at Fuller Theological Seminary in Phoenix.

**Establishing a Partnership Between a Faith-based Ministry and a State-wide Initiative**

_Annmarie Boulay, Director of Women's Ministry, Wintonbury & Executive Director, The Underground, Wintonbury Church_  
_Yvette Young, M.Ed, LPC, Project Director/HART Coordinator, The Village for Families & Children_

The Underground Ministry and the Connecticut Department of Children and Family's Human Anti-Trafficking Response Team (HART) have been collaborating since 2013 on various statewide initiatives to eradicate child trafficking. This workshop will inform you on how to establish a successful partnership between a faith-based ministry and a statewide initiative. The Underground has been able to support HART through awareness training, providing survivor enrichment opportunities, advocating for human trafficking legislation, fundraising efforts, and survivor mentorship. This partnership has resulted in enhancing Connecticut’s efforts to protect and support trafficked youth and increase community awareness of child trafficking.

_Annmarie Boulay_ is the Director of Connecting and Women's Ministries at Wintonbury Church in Bloomfield, Connecticut. She has also co-founded The Underground, a ministry she has great passion for, which brings together churches in Connecticut to fight against the injustices of human trafficking in the region. A graduate of St. John’s Business School, she worked in the marketplace for over 20 years and founded Pinnacle Consulting which specializes in patient advocacy and 3rd party insurance. In 2000, while juggling a successful business and family life, she began to serve in women’s ministry at her local church. Five years later, she responded to God’s call and joined the staff at Wintonbury Church where she is a recognized leader in many ministries.

_Yvette Young_ is a Licensed Professional Counselor. She obtained her Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology from Trinity College and her Master’s Degree in Counseling Psychology from Cambridge College. Yvette has twenty years of experience working for non-profit organizations as a leader, director, trainer and clinician. She is currently working as the Project Director/Human Anti-trafficking Response Team Coordinator for DCF through the Village for Families and Children Inc. She provides leadership oversight for the Human Anti-trafficking Response Team, Governor’s Task Force on Justice for Abused Children grants and the Juvenile Review Board.

**The Good, the Bad and the Dangerous Online Apps & Games**

_Sheri Lopez, Founder, You Can’t Groom Me_

Many traffickers have moved off the streets and now “surf” chat rooms, social media, online apps and games to find potential victims. Yet, many are not aware this is happening and view these apps & games as harmless. In this presentation we will look in detail at the popular apps youth are using daily. Breaking down social apps such as Snapchat, KIK, Twitter, Instagram & WhatsApp, why kids use them, the bad & dangers each presents. We will also discuss vault, ghost & decoy apps along with the popular online games that predators are using to gain access to kids. There are more dangerous apps then can be discussed in this presentation, so you will be provided with a jump drive of the current popular apps & online games and the dangers of each.

_Sheri Lopez_ is a survivor of commercial sexual exploitation, abuse & trauma. For seven years she has mentored other survivors & worked closely with the Department of Child Safety in Arizona. She is a Court Appointed Special Advocate & a member of the Arizona Foster Care Review Board & board member of scholarship funding for Arizona Friends of Foster Children Foundation. She has partnered with the Girl Scouts of Arizona to develop a classroom curriculum focusing on healthy relationships & abuse.

A Systemic Shift: Narratives and Lessons Learned from State Legislative Efforts to Prevent the Criminalization of Commercially Sexually Exploited Children
Sarah Bendtsen, JD, Policy Counsel, Shared Hope International
Kate Price, PhD, Visiting Scholar, Brandeis University Women’s Studies Research Center, CSEC Survivor Leader

19 years after the passage of the TVPA, more than half of the U.S. has enacted laws that prevent some youth from being prosecuted for prostitution. However, such laws have not been created equally and stakeholders remain divided on what constitutes an appropriate response for youth survivors of sex trafficking. The workshop will draw on years of experience and research to examine the narratives and strategies that promote a non-punitive, protective response, as well as approaches that fall short of this goal. The presenters will share findings from a multi-year study that examined the social, political, and economic factors that influence the passage of related laws, signifying the need to confront systemic inequalities in order to develop a long-term response. The presenters will discuss obstacles that commonly arise during the development of non-criminalization laws and translatable solutions for overcoming such challenges.

Sarah Bendtsen joined Shared Hope in 2016 to support the organization’s state legislative advocacy and Protected Innocence Challenge projects. Sarah focuses her advocacy efforts and research on strengthening states’ statutory and practice-based responses to child sex trafficking, striving to ensure that offenders face serious criminal accountability and youth survivors are afforded a specialized, protective response. Applying the PIC framework’s legal standards, Sarah provides technical assistance, subject matter expertise, and bill drafting support to state legislators, ally NGOs, and advocates.

Kate Price, PhD is a Visiting Scholar at the Women’s Studies Research Center at Brandeis University where she is completing a writing project on the commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC) in Appalachia. She is a survivor of family-controlled child sex trafficking. Price is also a mixed methods researcher and examines state-level decisions to prohibit the arrest and prosecution of sexually exploited minors for prostitution. She completed her PhD in sociology at the University of Massachusetts Boston in July 2019 and is currently publishing results from her dissertation, “Defining Worthy Victims: State Legislative Decisions to Prevent the Criminalization of Sexually Exploited Minors in the U.S.” Price also earned her master’s degree in Gender and Cultural Studies from Simmons University in 2005. Price has lectured on her research and survivor advocacy at numerous academic conferences, colleges and universities, and non-profit organizations. She serves on the ECPAT-USA Survivors Council. Price received the 2017 Mariam K. Chamberlain Dissertation Award from the International Centers for Research on Women, as well as an American Association of University Women 2018-2019 Dissertation Fellowship.
Lunch Break – 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Session 2 – 1:00 – 2:00 PM

Considering a Dedicated Docket for Juvenile Human Trafficking? A Triumphant and Turbulent Tale of an Ohio Court’s Response
Lasheyl Stroud, JD, Lead Juvenile Magistrate, Franklin County Common Pleas Court, Domestic Relations Juvenile Court
Larry Sanchez, JD, Juvenile Magistrate, Franklin County Juvenile Court

Join Magistrate Sanchez and Magistrate Stroud from Franklin County Juvenile Court (OH) as they present the steps their court has taken to tackle the issue of juvenile trafficking from all aspects within the court system. Also, hear from juvenile human trafficking survivors who participated in their program. Taking inspiration from “trafficking courts” around the country, Franklin County has enhanced its court system with a multi-level approach that best fit its court and population. These deal with trafficking in all court processes. The team will share its experiences from the court’s first to last contact with its participants. They will candidly describe their triumphs and turbulence as they interact with participants, internal staff & external agencies.

Lasheyl Stroud is the Lead Juvenile Magistrate in Franklin County Juvenile Court. Prior to joining the bench, she practiced in the public and private sectors. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Kentucky State University and a Juris Doctorate degree from The Ohio State University. 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 and strategy workgroups.

Larry Sanchez is a Juvenile Magistrate in Franklin County Juvenile Court. Prior to joining the bench, he was an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney involved in the Grand Jury, Juvenile Court, and Adult Divisions. He ended his tenure serving in the Gang Unit. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from St. Peter’s University and a Juris Doctorate degree from Capital University. Magistrate Sanchez 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, speaks at churches and civic organizations regarding juvenile matters. He is an adjunct professor at community colleges and Judicial College of Ohio.

Reintegration: Employ + Empower
Ashlie Bryant, CEO, 3Strands Global Foundation

For years, survivors have told us the most important thing we can do for them is to help them get a job. It allows survivors to transition to self-sufficiency and establishes a sense of self-worth. Over the last 10 years we have learned that a job is the first step to pursuing a future of their own choosing and empowers them to create a new life free of exploitation. 3Strands Global Foundation will present Employ + Empower, a program that prevents survivors and those who are most vulnerable (transitional aged-foster youth and homeless youth) from exploitation or re-exploitation by placing them into sustainable, trauma-informed jobs as well as refers them to the behavioral health services and resources they need to succeed in their jobs and build a new future free of exploitation.

Ashlie Bryant is the Co-founder, and CEO of 3Strands Global Foundation (3SGF) she has been combating human trafficking for over 10 years. Ms. Bryant was instrumental in creating and overseeing a state-wide human trafficking prevention education program designed to educate elementary, middle school, high school and university levels. The PROTECT program has reached educators and
students in more than 39 CA counties, and this Fall will be rolling out in the State of Utah and piloting in Texas. Three years ago, Bryant created 3SGF’s Employ + Empower programs with the goal of reintegrating survivors or those at risk for trafficking into sustainable jobs. Today 3SGF has served over 140 survivors and at-risk individuals through this program. Ms. Bryant serves on the CA State CSEC Action Team.

**The Child Behind the Door: Trauma and Human Trafficking**

*Victoria Gutbrod, LPCC-S & EMDR Certified, Trauma Team Lead, Emerge Counseling Agency*

Victoria presents for the Rahab Ministries Volunteer and Staff Trainings. She will utilize much of this material and her experience working as the lead for the trauma team that serves the women at the safe house. This presentation will include an introduction to the neuro-biology of trauma and the impact of this on the mind, body and spirit of individuals. The most current interventions in trauma care will be explored within the contexts of how Emerge and Rahab partner to provide human trafficking survivors these services. Emerge therapists have advanced skills: EMDR, Equine, Sensori-Motor/Somatic, Gestalt, Internal Family Systems, Art, Movement, and Music Therapies, in addition to TI CBT and DBT. Case Presentations will be utilized to assist with learning.

*Victoria Gutbrod MA, LPCC-S is the Trauma Team Lead for Emerge Counseling Agency. She has been instrumental in developing a partnership with Rahab Ministries, to provide cutting edge trauma interventions for the women at their safe house. She has 17 years of experience working with survivors of abuse. She has spoken at national and state level agencies to promote awareness of how trauma impacts the mind, body and spirit of individuals. She is passionate about coming alongside survivors as they find healing and a voice to tell their story. She is involved in creating a trauma informed movement therapy with dance as well as with aerial and wall yoga. She is innovative in her approach to finding healing, and believes that the creative process is at the core of this.*

**The Best Advice You Can Get Is from Someone Who Has Been Through It: Lessons Learned from a 3 Year Prevention and Intervention Study of My Life My Choice**

*Lisa Goldblatt Grace, MPH, MSW, Co-Founder & Executive Director, My Life My Choice*

Amy Farrell, PhD, Associate Director and Associate Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Northeastern University

My Life My Choice (MLMC) is a nationally recognized leader in the fight to end commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC). MLMC offers a unique continuum of survivor-led services, including one on one mentoring, intensive case management, and prevention education to youth who have been exploited or are at high-risk, as well as professional trainings to a variety of stakeholders. In 2018, MLMC finished a rigorous, three-year evaluation funded by the National Institute of Justice led by expert researchers at the Boston University School of Public Health and Northeastern School of Criminology and Criminal Justice. In this session, presenters will provide the preliminary quantitative and qualitative results from the evaluation on the MLMC Prevention Program and Survivor Mentorship.

*Lisa Goldblatt Grace is the Co-founder and Executive Director of My Life My Choice. Ms. Goldblatt Grace has been working with vulnerable young people in a variety of capacities for over twenty years. Her professional experience includes running a long term shelter for homeless teen parents, developing a diversion program for violent youth offenders, and working in outpatient mental health, health promotion, and residential treatment settings. Ms. Goldblatt Grace has served as a consultant to the Massachusetts Administrative Office of the Trial Court’s “Redesigning the Court’s Response to Prostitution” project, and has served as the Co-Chair of the Training and Education Committee of the Massachusetts Attorney General’s appointed Task Force on Human Trafficking.*
Amy Farrell is an Associate Director and Associate Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Northeastern University. Her research seeks to understand how the criminal justice system responds to newly recognized and prioritized crimes such as hate crimes and human trafficking. She oversees a program to collect data on human trafficking investigations for the U.S. Department of Justice and has studied and published research about how law enforcement agencies identify, investigate and prosecute human trafficking cases. Professor Farrell has testified about police identification of human trafficking before the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee. She was also appointed to the Massachusetts Attorneys General Human Trafficking Policy Task Force.

**Connecting Survivors to Services: The Use of a Broadcast and Social Media Campaign to Raise Awareness of Human Trafficking in North Carolina**

*Dean Duncan, PhD., Research Professor, UNC-CH School of Social Work*

*Nancy Hagan, PhD, Sr. Human Trafficking Analyst, UNC-CH Project NO REST*

Reaching individuals who are being trafficked and connecting them with services is a significant challenge. Many of these individuals do not realize they are being exploited or that services are available. As part of an anti-trafficking effort in North Carolina, Project NO REST developed a collaboration with a local broadcast outlet to create an outreach campaign designed to connect survivors to services. This campaign used broadcast as well as social media to reach survivors. Project success was measured through a number of means including monthly reports of calls to the National Human Trafficking Hotline. During 2017, the first year of the campaign, calls to the hotline from North Carolina increased 143% from 2016, from 598 to 854.

**D. F. Duncan** is a research professor at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Social Work. He is the Principal Investigator for Project NO REST a five-year initiative funded by the Children’s Bureau to address the trafficking of youth age 25 and younger in North Carolina. Since joining the faculty in 1997, he has directed studies on child welfare, welfare reform, Medicaid, homelessness, and food stamps. He recently directed the evaluation of another project funded by the Children’s Bureau designed to move North Carolina to a trauma informed child welfare system. He currently serves as a principal investigator on a multi-year project assessing the outcomes of children involved with the child welfare system in North Carolina.

**Nancy Hagan** is a member of the Project NO REST team at the School of Social Work, UNC-CH. She contributes almost twenty years of experience in direct service and program development and administration in underserved rural communities in North Carolina. Her expertise includes coalition building with LEP Spanish speaking groups, in particular immigrants and agricultural workers, around issues of labor abuse, sexual and domestic violence, and human trafficking.

**Victim or Offender? Peer Recruitment and Drug Trafficking within the Sex Trafficking Experience**

*Sue Aboul-Hosn, BSSW, CPSW, Regional Human Trafficking Coordinator, Florida Department of Children & Families*

*Octavis Lampkin, Victims Advocate, Free Myself*

CSEC youth are no longer invisible and we are stepping up to better understand their experiences and to meet their needs. We know that common risk factors include histories of sexual and physical abuse, being a runaway, and dysfunctional families. We also know that often high-risk and exploited children have been involved with multiple systems and agencies and are vulnerable in a variety of ways. However, many CSEC victims are being exploited through multiple avenues by their trafficker, not just sexually. Exploiters coerce and manipulate their victims to recruit their peers and to sell drugs. Does this make the victim an offender? Hear from a
Survivor advocate that had to do all three to survive from the young age of 14 and better understand the path to secondary victimization.

**Sue Aboul-hosn** began identifying human trafficking victims among Florida Department of Children and Families’ (DCF) missing children in 2003. Since 2009, she has assisted in over 1000 human trafficking investigations and 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 holds many certifications, is an expert witness in child risk assessment and a contributing author to the textbook *Human Trafficking: A Systemwide Public Safety and Community Approach*.

Since 2009, **Octavis Lampkin** has provided awareness for Florida Department of Children and Families, law enforcement, Human Trafficking Task Force and many other organizations. She recounts her own experiences of being involved in Human Trafficking to at risk youths, maturing them on different tactics to prevent them from becoming victimized. In recent years, she has presented at various summits regarding the Life, peer recruitment and drug trafficking, and about being a survivor of DMST and the complex issues associated with their own exploitation. Octavis is a capable, unique individual who has overcome many obstacles and irregular dysfunctional cycles. She is a mother elevating a gifted and talented young teenager, teaching him morals and critical values of life. This courageous mother has completed her Bachelor of Science in Psychology and continues to strive to her maximum potential as a Victim Advocate Consultant.

**Effects of Trauma on the Mind, Body and Soul and How Movement and Meditation Facilitates Healing**  
**[SURVIVORS ONLY]**  
*Jennifer Swets, MA, RYT, Executive Director, Mending Nets*

This presentation will be an interactive exploration of the connection between trauma and the mind/body/soul including brain development, choices we make and the coping skills trauma survivors use. After describing the different types of trauma, the impacts of trauma on the different parts of the brain will be discussed. Supported by academic research, the role our body plays in both storing and dealing with trauma is explored. The audience will participate in a guided breathing exercise as well as chair yoga as we move to discuss ways to begin the healing process. As a trauma survivor, Jennifer will be sensitive to the experience and toll this can have on participants as we help victim service providers recognize the signs of trauma and the effects it has on trauma survivors.

With warm authenticity, engaging storytelling and bold humor, **Jennifer Swets** creates a bridge of safety and discovery in which she invites her audiences to cross. Jennifer is passionate about helping others experience mind, body and spiritual healing. She has a heart for ministering to those who are often overlooked or underserved. Jennifer has a B.A. in Psychology and a Master’s Degree in Gerontology. She worked with the Illinois Department of Aging as a case manager and then Director of Social Services. She is also a certified yoga teacher. Being a trauma survivor herself, she empathetically shares many of the truths she’s discovered on her own path to wholeness. Jennifer inspires her audiences to show up authentically, to connect spiritually and to leave profoundly changed.
Trafficked Boys: Bringing Male Victims of HT Out of The Shadows
Jerome Elam, President and CEO, Trafficking in America Task Force
Male victims of sex trafficking have historically been an invisible population. Recent developments have begun to raise the curtain on the expansive number of young boys being sexually trafficked in this country. During my presentation, I will present a comprehensive look at the issue of child sex trafficking and the evolution of the male victim. I will also present strategies for the education and prevention of child sex trafficking and discuss alternatives for the after care and recovery of male victims.

Jerome Elam is President and CEO of Trafficking in America Task Force. Raised in a broken home by an alcoholic parent, he is a survivor of child abuse/domestic violence, child sex trafficking, and child pornography. "I have struggled against many things in my life and somehow I found a way to survive." I share my experiences in the hope that those suffering in silence will find the courage to speak out and share their voices. I have been blessed to have God reveal His purpose to me in saving innocent children from predators." Jerome has received the Award for Courage presented by the National Council of Jewish Women for his work in the advocacy arena, is featured as one of New York’s New Abolitionists and been appointed as a Special Advisor to the Attorney General of Utah.

How Gangs are Using Advancing Technologies For Sex Trafficking
Opal Singleton, Peace Officer Standardized Training Certified, President/CEO, Training &Outreach Coordinator for HT Task Force, Instructor USC, Million Kids, RCAHT Task Force, USC Safe Communities Institute
Gangs are changing how they do business. Many gangs have reorganized and are joining forces with other gangs. Younger members are using technologies like encryption, live streaming and dating sites to recruit and groom unsuspecting girls. Older gang members use large national dating sites to seduce women. Several gangs are operating child sex trafficking sites from prison. Some gangs are even selling child pornography. This session will look at a comparison of a variety of gang cases and examine the differences in organization, money handling, recruiting, selling, and the profile of their victims. We will look at the gang accessibility of foster kids based on technology. We will also look at organized crowd sourcing in sextortion and how that can lead to becoming a victim of sex trafficking.

Opal Singleton is President and CEO of Million Kids. A 501©3 nonprofit organization dedicated to keeping kids safe from predators. She serves as the Training Outreach Coordinator for the Riverside County Anti Human Trafficking Task Force through Riverside County Sheriff’s Department / BJA Department of Justice grant. Opal has educated more than 250,000 government and individual leaders about human trafficking, sextortion, child pornography, and social media exploitation. She is the author of “Seduced: The Grooming of America’s Teenagers” and "Societal Shift". She appears on television and radio talk shows across the U.S. Opal is an Instructor at the USC Safe Communities Institute and a Co-Instructor at USC School of Social Work for the Los Angeles Police Department LEAD program.

Operation Net-Nanny: A Collaborative Attack on Child Sex Trafficking
Carlos Rodriguez, Detective Sergeant, Washington State Patrol
Dan McDonald, Detective Sergeant, Washington State Patrol
This presentation shows how a small task force worked successfully to conduct proactive undercover (UC) operations apprehending suspects who sexually exploit children. Topics include team-building, working with NGOs and local community, and overall concept of the operation. The presentation includes examples of UC chats, UC phone
conversations, arrest videos, and suspect interview videos. The task force has conducted 14 operations as of January 2019. During those 14 operations 234 suspects have been arrested and over 30 children have been rescued.

**Carlos Rodriguez** has been employed with the Washington State Patrol for over 25 years. He is currently assigned to the Washington’s Missing and Exploited Children Task Force (MECTF). MECTF is dedicated to protecting our children and investigating those that do harm to our children. The bulk of MECTF investigations are sexual exploitation of minors cases, including juvenile sex trafficking.

**Dan McDonald** has been employed with the Washington State Patrol for over 18 years. He is currently a Detective Sergeant assigned to Washington’s Missing and Exploited Children Task Force (MECTF) and Human Trafficking Task Force (HTTF). MECTF is a task force focused on identifying, arresting, and convicting those individuals who exploit children. Crimes investigated by MECTF include communication with a minor for immoral purposes, juvenile sex trafficking, sexual exploitation of minors, and possession/production/dealing with depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

**Foster Children: High Risk Population for Child Sex Trafficking**

Karen Lambie, Ph.D., Ambassador of Hope Volunteer

Children and youth placed in foster care are at very high risk for human trafficking, most especially sex trafficking, due to various factors such as low self-esteem, enduring sexual abuse at a young age and having feelings of being thrown away. Foster children are also notorious for running away. Any runaway child is at high risk for sex trafficking. In 2017 in the U.S., there were nearly 500,000 children living in foster care. Foster parents, child welfare workers, teachers, guidance counselors and medical personnel need to be aware of this issue. It is often stated the the child welfare system is "broken." Suggestions for ways to "fix" this problem will be discussed such as providing closer supervision of foster families and reporting missing foster children. In addition, more consistent therapeutic counseling is needed for every foster child.

Now retired, Dr. Karen Lambie taught for a total of 32 years at both the elementary school and university levels. She has a Ph.D. in Educational Psychology. She was a foster parent for 14 years. Currently she is an Ambassador of Hope for Shared Hope International, serves on the Mayor’s Commission For Youth in Statesboro, Georgia, is a regional Vice President for the Adoptive and Foster Parent Association of Georgia and is on the Georgia Statewide Human Trafficking Task Force in Atlanta, Georgia. She has spoken throughout the state of Georgia on the issue of human trafficking and most specifically the sex trafficking of minors. Speaking engagements have included foster parents, CASA, medical personnel, guidance counselors, churches, civic clubs, the hospitality industry and youth groups.
Models & Best Practices for Providing Trauma-Informed Legal Services to Trafficked Persons

Joel Shapiro, JD, Executive Director, Trafficking Law Center
Andrea Lampert, JD, Lead Attorney & Center Coordinator, Trafficking Law Center
Rachel Monaco-Wilcox, JD, CEO and President, LOTUS Legal Clinic
Jamie Beck, JD, President & Managing Attorney, Free to Thrive
Rose Mukhar, JD, LLM, President and Supervising Attorney, Justice At Last

An often overlooked part of the continuum of care for trafficked persons is meeting their legal needs. Best practices in providing trauma-informed legal services is an emerging field that can be a meaningful resource. A panel of lawyers from four organizations that provide pro bono legal representation to trafficked persons will discuss topics including: trauma-informed legal representation, the distinctive needs and range of legal issues of trafficked persons, creating a collaborative network of attorneys across a range of legal specialties, partnering with other service-providers and entities that intersect with trafficked persons, creating an advisory board with representative populations, how to offer legal services or open a human trafficking legal clinic in your community.

Joel Shapiro is the co-founder and Executive Director of the Trafficking Victims & Survivors Law Center. He’s served as Chief Counsel to U.S. Senator Ron Wyden, as lobbyist for the “Kids Are Not For Sale” coalition, and on Oregon Department of Justice’s Trafficking Intervention Advisory Committee. Joel has represented sex trafficking victims and survivors in litigation against Backpage.com, hotels, and strip clubs.

Andrea Lampert has over 20 years experience working in the social justice field. In 2006 she began presenting Human Trafficking Education and Prevention Trainings at various venues in Oregon and in 2018 she realized the immediate need for legal representation and co-founded Trafficking & Victims Law Center (TLC) in Portland, OR. At TLC she is the lead attorney and center coordinator. She facilitates pro bono legal representation, informs lawyers on trauma informed legal practices, and collaborates with service providers in both Portland and statewide. She is actively building a national network of volunteer attorneys equipped to represent trafficked persons across a range of legal specialties. Andrea is a Pro Bono Attorney with the Oregon State Bar.

Rachel Monaco-Wilcox is the founder of LOTUS, a Milwaukee-based legal clinic for victims of trafficking and other forms of sexual violence. She started LOTUS while 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 on victims’ rights, human trafficking, and systems change. She received a Fulbright scholarship to study modern Greek poetry before a life in law consumed her. She received the Charles C. Dunn Award for the article “Under the Radar; Human Trafficking in Wisconsin,” the Thrive award for survivor advocacy from Aurora Health Care and was named as a member of Milwaukee Business Journal's 40 Under 40 in 2015, and as a Woman of Influence, 2018.

Jamie Beck is the President and Managing Attorney of Free to Thrive, a nonprofit organization that empowers survivors of human trafficking to be free from exploitation and thrive by providing them with legal services and connections to additional support. Prior to launching Free to Thrive in 2017, Jamie practiced civil litigation for five years at Procopio, Cory, Hargreaves & Savitch LLP. Jamie also worked as a judicial law clerk in the Federal District Court for United States District Court, the Southern District of California. Jamie was the 2016-2017 president of Lawyers Club of San Diego and founded the Lawyers Club Human Trafficking Collaborative. She currently serves on the Dean’s Advisory Board of the Joan. B. Kroc School of Peace Studies at the University of San Diego.
Rosé Mukhar is a social justice attorney and in 2015 she founded Justice At Last, a nonprofit law firm that provides free legal services & representation to survivors of human trafficking so that they can seek justice on their own terms. Rose earned an LL.M. degree in International Legal Studies, and her J.D. from Golden Gate University School of Law and a B.A. in Political Science from Wellesley College. In January 2019 Rose was awarded the Modern Day Abolitionist Award by the San Francisco Collaborative Against Human Trafficking & in June 2018 she was awarded the National Crime Victim Law Institute Legal Advocacy Award for her crime victims’ rights representation of trafficking persons in the criminal justice system.

Advocacy in Action: Developing a Non-Criminal Response to DMST and the Importance of Trauma Informed Care
C. Denise Richardson, D. Min., M. Ed., MCC, Executive Director, For Kids Sake, Inc.
Tamela Story, CA, Executive Director, Story’s Safehaven
Ashley Moss-Holder, BSN, Detective DNA Task Force, Memphis Police Department
Recent research reveals a distinct correlation between law enforcement insensitivity and the need for trauma-informed care. Our team analyzed case studies to find viable solutions for all who work in tandem with law enforcement. Our qualitative research examines several cases in which law enforcement criminalized juveniles while mislabeling them as “prostitutes”. Consequently, juveniles are prosecuted at alarming rates due, in part, to law enforcement’s lack of DMST training and knowledge of current laws. The purpose of our team’s multiple case study was to explore local law enforcement’s perceptions and subsequent treatment of minors engaged in [forced] DMST. We surmise that many of these repeat juvenile offenders are further traumatized because they are mislabeled and misidentified.

Dr. C. Denise Richardson, is a 3x Amazon Best Seller, nationally credentialed Child Sexual Abuse (CSA) educator, DMST ambassador and women and children’s abuse prevention proponent. She is a native Arkansan who advocates on behalf of those who have suffered various abuses. Dr. Richardson prides herself as an “advocate educator”. She educates counselors, other educators, community leaders, community helpers, and parents on CSA, HST and DMST prevention and awareness. Dr. Richardson partners with other organizations, YSOs, churches, and business shedding light on the damaging effects of CSEC. Dr. Rich’s commendations include four earned degrees (Education, Counseling, Ed. Admin., and Ministry).

Tamela Story-Jones is a credentialing advocate with six years of experience in the social services sector. She is the Founder of Story’s Safehaven and Co-Founder of the #ITENDSWITHME movement. Story’s Safehaven is an NPO whose mission is to eradicate any form of sexual exploitation of a minor. Story’s Safehaven is also a National SafePlace and residential facility that has the capacity to service over 21 survivors of D.M.S.T. Tamela has vast experience in the administrative sector contributing to her diverse and well-rounded capacity for expansion and creativity. She has coordinated, conducted, implemented and consulted in special projects such as, the #ITENDSWITHME movement and training, Racing for Awareness 5K, One Voice stage play and Sex Trafficking Awareness Day on the Hill.

Ashley Moss-Holder received her Bachelors in Nursing at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. She is an 11 year veteran of the Memphis Police Department, where she is currently a detective. In her career, as a detective, she is a dedicated member of the DNA task force for TBI Nashville, TBI Knoxville and FBI. She served on the board for the “Memphis Say No More Campaign”, Family Safety Center, and “It ends with me.” In the last year, she has teamed up with Story Safe Haven Outreach to help assist with victims of sexual assault. Ashley also has been given the task from the Director of Memphis Police Department to create a program to bring awareness of Sexual Assault on school campuses.
Human Trafficking Case Study: Erwin Burley

Courtney Harrison, Special Agent, Florida Department of Law Enforcement
Richard Trew, Investigator, State Attorney’s Office Fourth Judicial Circuit (Florida)

An in-depth step-by-step look at how to build one of the more difficult human trafficking cases; an inter-state travelling pimp. This case covers many of the hurdles investigators will likely face and provides techniques on how to build rapport with your victims from the onset of an investigation that lasts beyond the conclusion of the case. The session may contain content and imagery not suitable for all audiences; attendee discretion is advised.

Special Agent Courtney Harrison is employed by the FDLE. In 13 years of law enforcement experience, Special Agent Harrison has assisted in over 500 arrests related to prostitution and human trafficking. Since 2014, Special Agent Harrison has successfully indicted over 15 individuals from human trafficking investigations and holds federal credentials with the FBI. She has testified in human trafficking cases in state and federal courts across the country. Special Agent Harrison, along with her partner and prosecutor were featured on a March 2018 CBS 48 Hours episode highlighting their human trafficking case work. Special Agent Harrison lectured on human trafficking at Columbia University in New York.

Detective Richard Trew began his sworn law enforcement career in 1977, retired from the Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office, and is currently employed by the State Attorney’s Office in the fourth judicial circuit as an Investigator. He has been assigned to the FBI as a Task Force Officer for the last 12 years. Since 2008, Detective Trew has successfully indicted over 50 individuals related to federal human trafficking violations. During his career, Detective Trew’s most notable cases include Karl Waldon (Jacksonville police officer, life in federal prison), and Ian Sean Gordon (sex trafficking, life in federal prison). Detective Trew has been the recipient of the Federal Officer of the Year Award (DEA Administrator), and a two time Officer of the Year (United States Attorney).

Sexual Health: The Missing Piece in Providing Holistic Care

Savannah Sanders, BSW, Founder, Sex Trafficking Prevention
Angie Conn, Founder, SheWhoDares, LLC

This session will cover sexual health a topic that often gets left out of holistic care. After completing a survey with over 60 survivors it was determined that Sexual Health had not been discussed with advocates, therapists or even medical professionals including Ob-Gyns. 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 their bodies. Sexual Health is a crucial part of holistic care that needs to be fully integrated into the immediate and long term needs of individuals who have experienced exploitation. It is our role as providers to give clients the tools and education they need to make informed decisions for themselves and their bodies.

Savannah Sanders is the founder of SexTraffickingPrevention.org and author of Sex Trafficking Prevention: A Trauma-Informed Approach for Parents and Professionals. Sanders, a thought leader for trafficking prevention, has expertise in child abuse prevention, trauma-informed care, harm reduction, and intergenerational abuse. Sanders has worked with communities across the country to provide survivor and trauma-informed training, 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, Sanders was the Director of Human Trafficking and Community Outreach at a 120-bed crisis shelter.
Angie Conn strives to freely express her insight and knowledge to those who desire to learn from her experience as a survivor of domestic sex-trafficking, abuse, and addiction. She ignites a renewed hope in her audience that healing and wholeness after trauma are possible while providing tools to implement change. Angie works as an independent consultant for SheWhoDares, LLC, which she founded in 2018, to empower others to dare to face and overcome their trauma. Currently, she is contracting with Children’s Home Society of WV on a short term grant team, PROACT (Prevent Respond and Organize Against Child Trafficking) This project is the first of its kind in her home state of WV. She sits on the WV Human Trafficking Task Force. In 2018, she was awarded the ‘Special Courage Award’ by the United States Attorney Southern District of West Virginia for being a champion for survivors of human trafficking in her home state.

Working with Sex Trafficked Native Youth at Mineral Extraction Sites  
Chris Stark, MSW; MFA, Author
As we outline the colonial historical context for the trafficking of Native youth in the U.S., we will make historical connections among geography, racism, sexism, poverty, and dislocation along with the resulting contemporary disparities experienced by Native youth. Second, the contemporary connections among sex trafficking of Native youth, recruiting methods, the grooming of youth and communities, mineral extraction sites and ports will be outlined, focusing on Standing Rock, the pipeline slated to run through reservations and small towns in northern Minnesota, and the Duluth port. Prevention, monitoring, and protection steps at these sites will be discussed. Third, the presenters will outline best practices for trauma-informed work with trafficked Native youth.

Chris Stark is an award-winning author, organizer, researcher, and speaker of white and Native ancestry. Currently, she facilitates art and writing groups at Breaking Free. Formerly, she directed the Two-Spirit program at Minnesota Indian Resource Center. She has been part of two research projects on sex trafficking in Indian Country. Chris is a survivor of child and teen family-based sex trafficking and pornography.

Beyond Backpage and FOSTA: Addressing Online Facilitation of Sex Trafficking  
Reginald Jones, JD, Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice
This session will discuss the enactment of federal legislation last year that permits state criminal action and civil suits to address the use of technology platforms to promote or facilitate sex trafficking and prostitution, the cases and events that led to the legislation including the investigation and prosecution of Backpage.com, and their import in combatting sex trafficking in the United States.

Reginald Jones serves as a Senior Trial Attorney with the Criminal Division’s Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS). During his tenure at CEOS, Reggie has spearheaded and played integral roles in complex, national and international investigations and prosecutions involving some of the most prolific and dangerous offenders around the globe, including those who have attempted to hide within the anonymous world of the “dark web.” Reggie came to the Criminal Division from the United States Attorney’s Office for the Middle District of Louisiana, where he served as an Assistant United States Attorney. There he prosecuted a wide range of crimes, including child exploitation, healthcare and financial fraud, public corruption, and violent crime.
Transforming Cultures of Care and Service

Karen Furman, EdD, MBA, M.Ed. - Counseling, M.Ed. - Teaching, Project Liaison, Karyn Purvis Institute of Child Development at Texas Christian University

Janet Kasper, LBSW, East Texas Regional Administrator, Child Sex Trafficking Team, Office of the Texas Governor

Every state has unique characteristics and challenges concerning exploitation of children. As each state grapples with commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC) a transformation of the culture of care and services provided to victims will be crucial to how children recover. This session will explore how the State of Texas has chosen to focus on this transformation, partnering with the Karyn Purvis Institute of Child Development (KPICD) at Texas Christian University since 2017. The KPICD developed Trust-based Relational Intervention (TBRI®) as a way to bring hope and healing to youth from hard places, in this case, CST survivors and their families. Together the State and the KPICD build multidisciplinary collaboratives that bring TBRI to CSEC victims and vulnerable populations.

Karen Furman is a retired educator with over 23 years in Texas public schools. During her public education tenure, she served in multiple leadership roles. Each role provided her with unique insight on advocating for at-risk youth from various levels within a system. She has a strong history of collaborating with others, facilitating organizational change to help those at-risk heal and thrive. Since 2018, Karen has been a leader for the CST Collaborative Project at the KPICD. This project establishes trauma-informed regional collaboratives across Texas that seek to restore our most vulnerable and exploited children. Karen uses her experience in public education and her understanding of trauma to foster systemic change that brings healing to victims of CST.

As East Texas Regional Administrator, Janet Kasper collaborates with a variety of public and private stakeholders across the region to ensure the continuum of survivor care established is trauma-responsive, victim-centered, collaborative and continuously improving. Additionally, Janet will expand the geographic boundaries of the regional model to include research-based prevention programs as well as long-term services to build resiliency in survivors of child sex trafficking. Prior to joining the Child Sex Trafficking Team, Janet served as the Director of CYO, which is a drop-in center for homeless youth and young adults, the Social Services Director of The Salvation Army - Montgomery County, Texas and as a conservatorship worker with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services.

Demolishing the Demand to Purchase Sex-Trafficked Victims

Stephanie Costolo, Florida Regional Manager - TraffickingFree Zone, U.S. Institute Against Human Trafficking

Micah Washinski, Pinellas County Program Manager - TraffickingFree Zone, U.S. Institute Against Human Trafficking

Human Trafficking is a lucrative industry which follows the laws of supply and demand. The simple fact is that if there were no “customers” there would be no business. The U.S. Institute Against Human Trafficking team scoured the country to find and implement the most effective strategies for demolishing demand and packaged those strategies into the simple-to-follow TraffickingFree Zone (TFZ) program. TFZ is implemented in collaboration with community members and leaders, law enforcement, businesses, schools, healthcare organizations, churches and the media, implementing numerous demand reduction techniques. This session will equip attendees to reduce the demand for sex buying in their communities.

Stephanie Costolo is the Florida Regional Manager of the TraffickingFree Zone (TFZ) Program with the U.S. Institute Against Human Trafficking. She and her team are responsible for leading over 50 organizations to declare themselves a TFZ, directing thousands of online sex buyers to resources to get help, and for training thousands of law enforcement members and hundreds of community members on human trafficking. While serving in the USAF, she earned her bachelor’s degree in Behavioral Science and holds a
master’s degree in Entrepreneurship in Applied Technologies. She is the Vice Chair of the Pasco County Commission on Human Trafficking and is an Advisory Board Member for the Post 911 Veterans Nonprofit Community Organization, as well as being a published author.

Two years ago, Micah Washinski left a 17-year corporate career to dedicate her life to the calling God put on her heart. Her commitment to expose sexual sin and find healing came from her own personal struggles looking for love and attention from men and not her Creator. In response to God’s unfailing forgiveness, she started Hope Restored, Idlewild’s anti-human trafficking ministry, back in 2011. God immediately responded by blessing the ministry, and since then, the ministry has discipled over 100 volunteers, serving all over Tampa and beyond. Along with volunteering as the Director of Hope Restored, she is an Ambassador for the Priceless Journey, has served as a Guardian Ad Litem for 10 years, teaches a women’s Bible study, and works for the US Institute Against Human Trafficking.

Session 3 – 3:00 – 5:00 PM

Utilizing Harm Reduction with Commercially Sexually Exploited Youth
Kelley Hartman Barr, Associate Governmental Program Analyst, California Department of Social Services
Mae Ackerman-Brimberg, JD, MSW, Attorney, Collaborative Responses to Commercial Sexual Exploitation Initiative, National Center for Youth Law
Ashley Bray, Manager, California Department of Social Services

In this session, attendees will learn how to apply a harm reduction approach in both policy and practice. The presenters will share concrete examples of how harm reduction strategies can be used by providers in a variety of disciplines, including child welfare, probation, law enforcement, education, healthcare and placement and judicial settings. The harm reduction approach has been recognized as a promising practice to engage and meet the unique needs of commercially sexually exploited youth. Harm reduction is grounded in the principle that the individuals receiving and engaging in services, youth in this context, are the central practitioners of harm reduction. Service providers are the facilitators, whose role is to connect those youths to programs and services. The approach aims to empower youth, increase self-determination and thus build internal capacity for change. Contrary to traditional approaches, harm reduction instead prioritizes long-term safety; recognizing lasting change is not immediate, trust building takes time, and returning to exploitive situations is a part of the recovery process.

Kelley Hartman Barr is currently an analyst with the Child Trafficking Response Unit with the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) where she supports in the statewide implementation of programming designed to prevent, support and intervene with children and youth abused through commercial sexual exploitation. Prior to joining CDSS, Kelley spent ten years working in various child welfare social worker roles, six of which were spent directly serving survivors of domestic and international sex and labor trafficking. Kelley was the recipient of the 2016 Guardian of Hope Award presented by A Community for Peace in Sacramento, CA and continues to play out her passion for youth and families, specifically those affected by human trafficking.

Mae Ackerman-Brimberg, JD, MSW, is an attorney on the National Center for Youth Law’s Collaborative Responses to Commercial Sexual Exploitation Initiative. With a background in law and social work, Mae has spent her career seeking to transform child welfare, juvenile justice, and prison systems, address discrimination leading to disproportionate impacts on people of color and those with disabilities, and improve supports for children, families, and communities affected by those systems. At NCYL, Mae works to change policies, laws, and practices to better identify children and youth who have experienced commercial sexual
exploitation, and facilitate multi-disciplinary collaborations to support them to heal, meet their self-identified goals, and live full, healthy lives.

Ashley Bray is currently the Manager of the Child Trafficking Response Unit with the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) where she supports in the statewide implementation of programming designed to prevent, support and intervene with children and youth abused through commercial sexual exploitation. Prior to joining CDSS Ashley worked at Children’s Law Center of California as a CSEC social worker for three and a half years.

Formulas for Successful Rescue Operations
Bazzel Baz, Founder and President, ARC: Association for the Recovery of Children
Tina Paulson, Human Trafficking Program Director and Legislative Liaison, ARC - Association for the Recovery of Children

Every child that ARC has gone after, we have brought home. What is our formula for doing that? ARC will share the examples of two riveting rescue cases. In 2017 ARC rescued an American mother and three children from a wealthy South American family dynasty linked to corrupt US government officials. The victims had suffered beatings, ritual abuse, rape, death threats, had been stripped of their identification papers and were running for their lives. ARC’s successful rescue operation spanned five countries. In 2019 ARC rescued a child-sex-trafficking victim being trafficked by a ring of Crips, Bloods, Gersons and MS-13 gang members. Her traffickers, equipped with US government badges and government exempt license plates, hunted her relentlessly during the cross-country rescue operation that spanned three weeks.

Bazzel Baz is known as “the Patron Saint for Missing Kids.” He is a former CIA Intelligence Special Operations Officer, a Citadel graduate, recipient of the Intelligence Commendation Medal and a former counter-terrorism officer in the U.S. Marine Corps. In 1993 Baz founded the Association for the Recovery of Children (ARC), a non-profit organization comprised of former and active intelligence, military, and law enforcement personnel who rescue missing and abducted American children in the US or overseas. Baz is well-known globally for his expertise and extraordinary skillset. He is an author, counter-terrorism advisor and spokesperson, a well sought-after motivational speaker, a life coach, film and television writer, producer and actor.

Tina Paulson has been professionally engaged in combating sex trafficking in the US since 2014. She specializes in prevention, locating victims, and victim advocacy. Having worked extensively with victims being trafficked and those in recovery, she possesses a wealth of street-level insight into the vulnerabilities, traumas, and the needs of victims as well as the inner workings of the human trafficking criminal enterprise. Tina has spearheaded collaborative emergency response programs that provide immediate assistance, evaluation, and connection to shelter and services for sex trafficking victims. Tina participates in several anti-human trafficking task forces and collaborations.

Societal Shift: A World Without Borders and a Home Without Walls
Opal Singleton, Peace Officer Standardized Training Certified, President/CEO, Training &Outreach Coordinator for HT Task Force, Instructor USC, Million Kids, RCAHT Task Force, USC Safe Communities Institute

The year 2020 will be the most important time in all of history as the entire world is connected by Internet. Over SIX BILLION people will be connected by technology. It will change crime and crime solving forever. A world without borders for our children is also a world without borders for pedophiles, predators, pimps, cartels and organized criminals. Advancing technologies like vaporware, encrypted chatrooms, block chain, crypto-currencies and the dark net challenge law enforcement in crime solving and challenges a parent to keep a child safe. Mass migration, a global refugee crisis, terrorism and technology in the hands of poor families in third
world countries will challenge law enforcement and faith based communities who struggle for solutions to prevent global child exploitation.

**Opal Singleton** is President and CEO of Million Kids. A 501©3 nonprofit organization dedicated to keeping kids safe from predators. She serves as the Training Outreach Coordinator for the Riverside County Anti Human Trafficking Task Force through Riverside County Sheriff’s Department / BJA Department of Justice grant. Opal has educated more than 250,000 government and individual leaders about human trafficking, sextortion, child pornography, and social media exploitation. She is the author of “Seduced: The Grooming of America’s Teenagers” and “Societal Shift”. She appears on television and radio talk shows across the U.S. Opal is an Instructor at the USC Safe Communities Institute and a Co-Instructor at USC School of Social Work for the Los Angeles Police Department LEAD program.

**Wednesday, October 16**
**Session 4 – 8:30 - 9:30 AM**

**Survivor-Centered Approach: The Missing Piece in State Collaboration**
**Jamie Rosseland, Survivor Mentor, Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center**
**Bethany Gilot, MS, Statewide Human Trafficking Prevention Director, Florida Department of Children and Families**

CSEC is a multifaceted issue and the needs of survivors can be complex to the extent that the issue cannot be effectively addressed through any singular entity, perspective, discipline or approach. Development of a comprehensive response that considers everything from legislative to direct service approaches necessitates participation from numerous parties. In recent years, more states and local communities have developed collaborative entities, policies, laws, and practices to address human trafficking within their areas. However, many of these collaborative initiatives lack an important piece: a cohort of survivors and the vital input of that group. This presentation will address that crucial gap and the issues it creates in developing a strategic, comprehensive response to CSEC.

**Jamie Rosseland** actively and passionately pursues to offset the negative impact of human trafficking for victims in Jacksonville, Florida. By sharing her lived experiences and unique perspective, Jamie is driven to change the cultural view of the sex trade and address the root causes. She works full-time as a Survivor Mentor providing mentorship, advocacy, and coordination of care to youth impacted by sexual exploitation with the Open Doors Outreach Network. Jamie has presented at countless community events, statewide conferences, and national conferences. In 2018, Jamie won the Survivor Advocate of the Year award presented by the Florida Attorney General’s Office for her outstanding work with youth.

**Bethany Gilot** is the Statewide Human Trafficking Prevention Director for the Florida Department of Children and Families. Bethany joined state-level efforts in 2014, first serving as the Statewide Human Trafficking Director for the Department of Juvenile Justice. Prior to these roles, Bethany gained valuable experience working at NGOs serving sex trafficking survivors in both Miami, Florida and northeast India. She has direct care and program development experience working with adult and minor female survivors of sex trafficking at multiple levels of the continuum of care. Bethany oversees review of new legislation, implementation of statutory mandates, and all the Department’s efforts to identify and serve minor survivors.
Building a Culture of Self-Care

[SURVIVORS ONLY]

Christa Hicks, LMHC, Executive Director of Anti Trafficking, One More Child Anti Trafficking
Marianne Thomas, PhD, Outreach Coordinator, One More Child Anti Trafficking
Jodi Domangue, Director Anti Trafficking, One More Child Anti Trafficking

Burn out is real! It is possible to create a full balanced life while caring for others. By embracing a culture of self-care we are establishing a paradigm shift from bubble baths and pedicures to health, energy, and balance. In this presentation we will learn why our traditional thought process towards self-care has been holding us captive, we will learn how to make self-care work in the life you are living right now, and we will identify how you know when you can become a self-proclaimed self-care guru.

Christa Hicks passionately stands beside survivors of 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 young adults being sold and exploited by others.

Dr. Marianne Thomas is passionate about standing alongside survivors in a comprehensive approach that is inspired by meeting them where they are and modeling how to build a balanced life worth dreaming about. As both a Behavioral Psychologist and a Survivor of exploitation Dr. Thomas is an expert in the complex needs of sex trafficking survivors with a rich history of working with addictions, homelessness, children, and young adults who have been exploited. Dr. Thomas currently serves as the Outreach Coordinator for One More Child Anti-Trafficking and the Open Doors Outreach Network of Central Florida. In her current roll she provides mobile services to human trafficking victims, trains team members while inspiring an exceptional standard of care for survivors.

Jodi Domangue is a central Florida native who has been walking beside survivors of trafficking since her work at the Department of Children and Families eight years ago. Jodi made the transition to One More Child Anti Trafficking in 2014 assisting with the opening of the first certified safe home in the state of Florida for domestic minor female victims of sex trafficking. As the Director of Anti Trafficking with One More Child, Jodi oversees the operations of the Open Doors Outreach Network in both central and southwest Florida. This strategic partnership provides mobile services to survivors of sex trafficking in 9 different counties. Jodi feels called to inspire other professionals and ministry leaders to stand beside Survivors in their life long recovery from trauma.

When DMST Survivors are Pregnant and/or Parenting: How To End The Cycle - One Family At A Time

Carlye Dupaart, MS, LCCA, Chief Operating Officer, SJRC Texas
Tara Rousett, MBA, LCCA, LCPAA, CEO, SJRC Texas

Through first-hand experience and evidence-based programming, this session will focus on how to help DMST survivors that are pregnant and/or parenting. We will discuss how the organization’s approach leads survivors to healing and thriving, not only for themselves but for their babies as well. SJRC Texas has been taking care of this vulnerable population of children since 2009. We are
a COA nationally accredited organization with over 35 years of experience in the child welfare field. The presenters will dissect the trauma informed continuum of care approach used by SJRC Texas that addresses the emotional, physical, psychological, and developmental needs of child sex trafficking victims and their children in a setting that is conducive to children and youth with multiple levels of trauma.

**Carlye Dupart** oversees initiatives related to VOCA, Child Sex Trafficking Survivors, Pregnant and Parenting Teens at SJRC Texas, work that is based on close partnerships with Office of The Governor, Child Sex Trafficking Team. Her professional experience includes 40 years in child welfare, providing programmatic services to children, youth and young families who have been impacted by trauma as well as providing compliance oversight and management of human resources, training and physical plant administrative functions. Carlye is also a Peer Reviewer and Team Leader for Council on Accreditation.

As Chief Executive Officer of SJRC Texas, **Tara Roussett** oversees all of the day-to-day operations, programs and services provided by the non-profit organization, which serves abused, neglected and homeless children and young adults age 0-21 years-old. Tara is responsible for the overall leadership, strategic vision, management, development, improvement, staffing, oversight, and regulatory compliance. Tara brings over two decades of experience in the child welfare field, including over 10 years working in senior and executive level management at SJRC. Tara started her career working in education and foster care, which ignited her passion to serve children.

**From the Lyfe to Square: Addressing the Needs of Homeless, Sexually Exploited Youth**

*Andrew Pearson, MD, Director of Mental Health Department, Covenant House*

*ShaNesha Joyner, Programs Coordinator, Covenant House*

Ms. Joyner and Dr. Pearson plan to describe how a multi-disciplinary framework including social work, law and advocacy and psychiatry complements and enhances the clinical focus of working with teenage survivors of human trafficking, especially those who are homeless. Drawing from research, we will highlight the connection between homelessness and susceptibility to trafficking among young people. Lastly, we will present in detail the clinical histories and trajectories of two young women who worked with Covenant House’s Anti-Human Trafficking team and had been sexually exploited in adolescence, in a way that underscores how an inter-disciplinary approach and housing are paramount when working to meet the needs of survivors.

**Dr. Andrew Pearson** oversees the Mental Health Department at Covenant House New York, a shelter for teenagers and young adults that provides comprehensive services to approximately 120 youth on a daily basis. In addition to providing clinical care to those young people with mental illness, he directs programming pertaining to all mental health provision within the shelter. In this role, Dr. Pearson has collaborated in an ongoing manner with Covenant House’s Anti-Human Trafficking Department which serves over fifty young women per year who have been subject to sexual exploitation.

**ShaNesha Joyner** became a member of Covenant House, New York’s newly created anti-human trafficking department in 2015. She currently serves as the program coordinator for Aspire House. Aspire House is an 18 month transitional living program for female identified survivors of human trafficking. ShaNesha co-created a training on understanding and engaging survivors of sexual exploitation that she facilitates in house for new hires as well as offsite to various agencies in the city working with youth. While ShaNesha started at Covenant House as a residential advisor in 2009 she has over 13 years of experience in the social service field.
Understanding and Identifying Familial/Gang Trafficking

Alice Jay, President at sistersurvivors.org, CEO, Sister Survivors

As a survivor of familial trafficking and gang affiliation as a minor, I was forced into the life at gunpoint when I was eleven. This experience, along with twelve years of recovery, gives me a unique perspective in addressing and helping other gang trafficking survivors. I have worked with hundreds of children and young adults who have had the same experience, helping them in their path to recovery. In this presentation, we will review how I have used this experience to help others and how you can best identify and support survivors of familial and gang trafficking.

Alice Jay is the President and CEO at Sister Survivors International Connect. She is also a Human Trafficking Consultant/Advocate for Neighborhood Legal Services Michigan and the Author of “Out of the Darkness: A Survivor’s Story.” Jay created "Who Am I Now?" an identification workshop series and workbook for survivors used to help other organization identify, heal, and redirect victims. Jay also developed the Thrive to Strive Jail Diversion Outreach program in Detroit, Michigan in connection with the 4th precinct in Detroit. Jay has helps provide services to around 200 survivors a year supporting them with resources for housing and legal assistance.

Put Your Oxygen Mask On First: Practicing Self Care When Faced with Compassion Fatigue

Tanisha Knighton, Ph.D., Trainer/Consultant, Knighton Consulting Group, LLC

For those multidisciplinary team members working a spectrum of human trafficking cases, compassion fatigue is as common as “turbulence” during a windy flight. In order to address this turbulence one must develop self care strategies, and warning systems to let them know they are moving into the caution zone and the oxygen masks will soon deploy. Prevention and self-care can best happen when multidisciplinary team members are able to distinguish between and identify personal and professional vulnerabilities. This interactive workshop will help professionals renew their passion and commitment to the field and their work.

Tanisha L. Knighton, holds a B.A., M.C.J. and a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology. Dr. Knighton is an independent consultant and national trainer with over 15 years of experience as a Social Worker with Cuyahoga County Department of Children and Family Services and over 5 years in the Missing Persons Unit for the Cuyahoga County Sheriff’s Department. Dr. Knighton is an active member of the Human Trafficking Task in her area and a number of other agencies that address issues that affect missing persons. Dr. Knighton designs curricula and provides training on different topics for a variety of agencies and national conferences.

Unveiling the Unique Nature of Familial Trafficking

Emily Taylor, MSW, LSW, Clinical Therapist, Ascent 121
Megan Jessup-Smyth, LCSW, CSAYC, Chief Operating Officer, Ascent 121

Anti-trafficking work often highlights the nature of the pimp-victim relationship leaving a misrepresentation of the essence of familial trafficking relationships. The presenters will pull from their experience of working with familial trafficked individuals in Indiana. Despite the increasing awareness of sex trafficking overall, this workshop will unveil the unique hidden nature of familial trafficking. The presenters will provide insight to the complexities of choice and autonomy in addition to deconstructing family dynamics of familial trafficking.
Emily Taylor is a Clinical Therapist at Ascent 121. In her role she provides individual, family, and group therapy to youth and young adults who have experienced commercial sexual exploitation (CSE) and sex trafficking (ST). She additionally developed programming for survivor aftercare support. Emily is trained in Victim Survivor Leader Model through Girls Educational and Mentoring Services (GEMS) and My Life My Choice Prevention Curriculum. Prior to working as a therapist at Ascent 121, Emily worked at the Magdalene Model of Thistle Farms in St. Louis, Missouri with adult survivors of CSE/ST and for Missouri Division of Youth Services with juvenile delinquent-involved youth.

Megan Jessup-Smyth is COO and Founder of Ascent 121, a faith-based, non-profit human services organization with a goal of addressing commercial sexual exploitation/domestic human trafficking through awareness, outreach, and the provision of therapeutic victim services. Megan is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker with 17 years of clinical and administrative experience specific to sexual trauma. She is certified in Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, the My Life My Choice treatment curriculum, and is credentialed in working with sexually maladaptive and traumatized youth. Megan has been involved with numerous anti-trafficking boards and committees and is currently serving a 4-year governor appointment on the Indiana Sexual Assault Victim Advocate Standards and Certifications Board.

Stop the Cycle: How Young Men Become Traffickers
Stephany Powell, PhD, Executive Director, Journey Out

Human trafficking prevention often focuses on how to limit supply without considering demand. We ignore the fact that traffickers often come from the same neighborhoods as the women and girls who they exploit. In this presentation, we will unpack what factors contribute to boys and young men becoming pimps in the first place. This includes understanding complex trauma and gangs. We will also discuss how to address those challenges and what we can do to stop the cycle, which enables young boys and men to become pimps.

Dr. Stephany Powell is the Executive Director of Journey Out, an anti-sex trafficking organization that empowers those who are transitioning out of a life of commercial sexual exploitation. In addition to having served as head of the Vice Unit of the Los Angeles Police Department, Dr. Powell is also an educator with a doctorate in organizational leadership. She has trained over 6,000 professionals in identifying and responding to victims of sex trafficking. Dr. Powell has appeared on both national and local radio stations as well as television.

Force Multiplying With Partnerships
[LAW ENFORCEMENT & PROSECUTORS ONLY]
Nick Lien, HEaT Sergeant, Mesa Police Department

This presentation focuses on collaborative models used in human sex trafficking operations and investigations. These models are designed to positively impact human sex trafficking which affects communities across our state. Specific examples of human sex trafficking operations from small to large as well as operation specific studies will be presented. Ideas will be presented on how to offset staffing and financial cost for operations. Discussion includes Interagency law enforcement partnerships (local, state, federal) working with Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO’s) to collaboratively fight human trafficking.

Sergeant Nick Lien has been employed with the Mesa Police Department in Arizona since 2003. Sergeant Lien previously worked as a detective in the Gang Unit and in the Special Investigations Unit conducting multi-agency task forces. Sergeant Lien was selected to lead the Mesa Police Department Human Exploitation and Trafficking (HEaT) Unit in 2017. In the HEaT Unit he supervised several human trafficking operations varying from small to large. These operations have varied from a couple days to multiple weeks.
These operations used a collaborative model of local, state and federal law enforcement partners as well as incorporating Non-Governmental Organization (NGO’S).

Internet Safety 101: Keeping Youth Safe in the Digital Age
Kelly McCaughey, Volunteer and Community Engagement Manager, Shared Hope International
Jo Lembo, National Outreach Manager, Growth Strategies, Shared Hope International

Have you ever wondered what’s it’s really like to be a teenager online in this day and age? We have! Here’s what happened when we posed as a 15 year old girl on several popular networking apps. This presentation serves as an Internet Safety 101 for parents, youth workers, care providers, and concerned community members who want to learn how child sex traffickers are using the internet to lure and groom their victims. We present practical ways to prevent this happening to kids we love, ideas for starting a conversation about Internet Safety, signs that a child you know might be targeted, what to do if a child you know is in danger, and app types we have identified as being potentially dangerous.

Kelly McCaughey is the Volunteer and Community Engagement Manager at Shared Hope International in Vancouver, WA. Kelly supports and manages volunteers, both locally and nation-wide, serves as a community educator on DMST and heads Shared Hope’s internet safety initiative. Kelly’s passion as an advocate CSEC began as an undergraduate student at Azusa Pacific University, where she received her BA in Sociology. While there, she focused her studies on the production of ICSE as a form of trafficking in the United States. At that time, she also served as a lead intern at a global anti-trafficking organization, where she managed volunteers and advocates across the world, as well as assisting in the planning and execution of two global campaigns to spread awareness about human trafficking.

Before moving to Arizona, Jo Lembo was Shared Hope’s top speaker and presenter in the Seattle/Puget Sound area for several years. She was one of the first volunteer Ambassadors serving in many capacities, and was the project manager for the Terry’s House project in the Pacific Northwest. Using her skills as a powerful motivational speaker for activists of all ages, now she trains Ambassadors nationwide to share with their audiences the HOPE they can have to make a difference in the world they live in. Education is the defense and Jo is committed to reaching as many people as possible with information to stop the tactics of traffickers. As the National Outreach Manager for Shared Hope, she is in motion as head of the Faith Initiative to empower and equip faith communities nationwide.

Session 5 – 10:00 – 11:30 AM

Developing Effective Screening and Training on Child Trafficking in the Medical Setting
Preeti Panda, M.D., Pediatric Resident Physician, Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital
Anjali Garg, MD, Pediatric Resident Physician, Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital
Jerri Rose, M.D., Associate Professor, Pediatric Emergency Medicine, UH Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital
Kathleen Hackett, MSN, RN, SANE-P, Pediatric SANE Program Coordinator, UH Rainbow Babies & Children’s Hospital
Annette Mango, Certified Speaker, Mentor, Advocate, Renee Jones Empowerment Center

Pediatric healthcare providers have an important opportunity to identify potential victims of DMST, as they seek healthcare for various medical problems. Even with appropriate training, knowing the best next steps when encountering potential victims can be
difficult to navigate. This session presents a point of care algorithm that can be easily referenced at the patient bedside to assist with next steps when encountering a potential victim of DMST. This algorithm was created in conjunction with community organizations and survivors, and has been implemented along with a sustainable training on DMST for pediatric physicians. This model can be replicated at other healthcare institutions serving children to improve the practicality and effectiveness of hospital protocols on human trafficking.

**Preeti Panda** is a resident physician at Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital in Cleveland, OH and is currently training in pediatric medicine. She has worked in the trafficking field for 8 years, and has been a part of various initiatives including community research, legislative advocacy and education of medical professionals. She is currently working to strengthen the data on barriers to healthcare faced by child trafficking survivors. She is aiding in the creation of one of the only medical homes that exclusively serves trafficked children. She is also implementing a standardized screening algorithm for suspected child trafficking victims presenting to her hospital, and providing sustainable training on human trafficking to all resident trainees and health care personnel at her institution.

**Anjali Garg** is a resident physician at UH Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital in Pediatrics. Her research focuses on the sex trafficking of domestic minors and identification of barriers to healthcare, training of healthcare providers on recognition of victims, and the role of providers in the provision of trauma sensitive care. Anjali graduated from University of Michigan with a degree in Sociology and from Michigan State University with an MD. During medical school and her undergraduate years, Anjali worked as an advocate in the MSU Sexual Assault program. She has a passion to bring healthcare services to those who need trauma sensitive care and continues to focus her work on empowering survivors. Her future career goals include a fellowship in Pediatric ICU and Child Abuse medicine.

**Dr. Jerri Rose** is a Pediatric Emergency Medicine Physician at UH Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital. She is an Associate Professor of Pediatrics/Pediatric Emergency Medicine at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine. Currently Dr. Rose serves as the Interim Division Chief of Pediatric Emergency Medicine at Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital. She has cared for children in the emergency department setting for 15 years, including numerous victims of child abuse and neglect, maltreatment, and trafficking.

**Kathleen Hackett** MSN, RN, SANE-P is the SANE Program Coordinator for Rainbow Babies & Children’s Hospital, in Cleveland. Kathleen is a nationally certified pediatric sexual assault nurse examiner through the International Association of Forensic Nurses. Kathleen is an international and national speaker on the topic of identifying minors seeking care, while missing in plain sight. Kathleen’s Master degree is focused in forensic nursing, which has empowered her to create meaningful change in the way healthcare providers assess and care for possible victims of human trafficking in her facility. Kathleen continues to promote awareness on human trafficking both within Rainbow’s healthcare system and the community.

For more than ten years, **Annette Mango** lived on the streets addicted to drugs, being beaten by johns and pimps, freezing in the alleyways of Cleveland. In 2015, she went on the human trafficking court docket and became involved with the Renee Jones Empowerment Center (“RJEC”), an organization dedicated to helping human trafficking survivors. She is one of the first human trafficking victims in Cleveland to have her criminal convictions related to he victimization expunged. She completed a Survivor-Educator Certification course through RJEC, preparing her to publicly speak and share her story with others. After many years of pain and humiliation, she is now able to use her experiences to help and educate others. She has transformed from a victim to a survivor and thriver.
Sex Trafficking in America – A Film Screening Followed by Q&A

Jezza Neumann, Producer, True Vision TV
Kat, Advocate
Amber Campbell, Detective - Human Exploitation and Trafficking Unit, Phoenix Police Department
Sergeant Mark Doty, Drug Enforcement Bureau’s Human Exploitation and Trafficking Unit, Phoenix Police Department

For three years, the film’s producers embedded with the Phoenix PD Human Exploitation And Trafficking Unit. The film covers the work of detectives as they tackle sex trafficking from all angles -- working closely with partner agencies, set against the story of one survivor as she seeks justice in the courts. This film covers all aspects of child sex trafficking, from the reframing of language, the role of the internet, the efforts of police and the judicial system, to the importance of educating the youth of America. The film will act as a catalyst for a Q&A discussion about the significance of collaboration between all community partners tackling this issue head on, portraying the human face of the issues being discussed in sessions throughout the conference.

Jezza Neumann’s first film as director, C4 & HBO - China’s Stolen Children, won three British Academy Awards and was also nominated for an Emmy. He has followed up on this success with a number of award winning films including the feature length War Child and the multi-award winning Zimbabwe’s Forgotten Children. He first started making films for Frontline in 2013 when Jezza was awarded the prestigious Robert F Kennedy Journalism Award for his film Frontline Poor Kids which was also Emmy nominated. Since then he has continued to build on this success with films such as Frontline TB: Silent Killer and more recently Sex Trafficking in America.

Amber Campbell has been an officer with the Phoenix Police Department for 16 years and a detective in the Human Exploitation and Trafficking Unit for 10 years. She has a Bachelor of Science in Business Management from Arizona State University and a Master’s in Leadership from Grand Canyon University. Amber is a member of the FBI’s Human Trafficking Task Force. She is a subject matter expert in the area of Domestic Human Trafficking. She has extensive training in forensic interviews of children and working with victims of sex trafficking. Amber has conducted numerous trainings with law enforcement, prosecutors, faith based organizations, social workers, students and community members about the indicators of human trafficking and how to investigate such cases.

Kat is 19 years old and a survivor of human trafficking. Although it was a major setback for Kat, she refuses to let what happened to her control her life and as a result has become very passionate about using her experience to help others know they are not alone. Kat enjoys spending time with her family and friends. She is currently interested in furthering her education and plans on going to college to become a pediatric oncology nurse. Kat is also expecting her first child this February, and she is very honored to be apart of such an amazing conference with such amazing men and women who care so much about this often misunderstood issue.

Sergeant Mark Doty is a 25 year veteran of the Phoenix Police Department. He has been assigned to the Drug Enforcement Bureau’s Human Exploitation and Trafficking Unit for the past 4 years and was a former HEAT Detective himself. Sgt. Doty 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.
What About the Children: A Collaborative Approach of Working with Children Whose Parents Are Survivors and Traffickers

Iona Rudisill, LMSW, MSW, Anti-Trafficking and Exploitation Program Manager, Baltimore Child Abuse Center
Renee Murrell, MSW, PhD, Victim Specialist, Federal Bureau of Investigations

According to the National Human Trafficking Hotline since 2007 there were over 45,000 identified human trafficking cases in the United States. Of these many cases, how many children do you think were born to survivors or traffickers? While we don't have the actual statistics, we can assess that the actual numbers are probably greater than realized. In recent years, our nation has focused its attention on working with youth survivors of trafficking but what about the children, whose parents are survivors or traffickers.

What happens to these youth and how do they receive services to handle the trauma they have seen, heard and experienced? In this workshop you will hear about a case where there were multiple traffickers, survivors and children that needed collaborative services.

Iona R. Rudisill is a licensed social worker with over 25 years of experience in combating child sexual abuse and sexual trafficking. Iona was a forensic interviewer for over 16 years. She is presently the Anti-Trafficking and Exploitation Program Manager at Baltimore Child Abuse Center. She has delivered trainings nationwide on issues related to Child Trafficking (CT) as well as served on a 16-member work group, instituting guidelines for conducting forensic interviews for CT. She co-authored a trafficking medical screening protocol, is an active member of the Maryland Human Trafficking Task Force, Baltimore Human Trafficking Collaborative, Child Abuse Review Board for Archdiocese of Baltimore and board president of Araminta Freedom Initiative, an anti-trafficking organization.

Renee G. Murrell entered on duty with the FBI in 1979 and is currently assigned to the Office for Victim Assistance (OVA) as the Victim Specialist in the Baltimore Division. As a member of the Maryland Human Trafficking Task Force, Renee has been instrumental in developing partnerships with other federal, state and local agencies seeking to combat human trafficking in Maryland and restore the lives of victims impacted by this crime. From 2000 - 2007, Ms. Murrell served as the Foreign Operations Specialist for FBI’s Office of International Operations - Middle East Unit, covering Beirut and Amman. It was during this assignment that Renee began to fully grasp the prevalence and devastation of human trafficking as reflected in child abuse, gender-based violence and crimes against humanity.

NCMEC Child Sex Trafficking Resources for Law Enforcement
[Law Enforcement & Prosecutors Only]

Eliza Reock, Strategic Advisor, Child Sex Trafficking, National Center for Missing & Exploited Children
Tiffany Henderson, Supervisor/Child Sex Trafficking Team, The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

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. We want to provide law enforcement access to our resources for free! Come learn about a vast wealth of support we can provide to you and your department, along with case examples.

Eliza Reock is the Strategic Advisor on Child Sex Trafficking for the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) where she 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 Ms. Reock served as Director of
Tiffany Henderson has been with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) since 2015 and is currently the Supervisor of the Child Sex Trafficking Team within the Case Analysis Division. She 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. Ms. Henderson has previous law enforcement experience working five years in various positions.

Safety Planning WITH Trafficked Youth: An Interactive Workshop  
Selina Higgins, MA, MSW, LCSW-R, Executive Director, Office of Child Trafficking Prevention and Policy, NYC Administration for Children's Services  
Ann Marie Pendleton, Psy.D., Director of Mental Health, Children's Village  
Jessie Boye-Doe, LCSW, Director, The Center for Healing, JCCA  
Safety plans are integral to optimizing safety at every stage for survivors of trafficking and youth at-risk of sexual exploitation. Planning should occur regularly, relate to whether the survivor plans to leave or remain with the trafficker, and address multiple criteria. Since youth are the experts of their situations and experiences, they should always have the opportunity to be engaged directly in safety-planning. This workshop will discuss the importance of safety planning WITH youth and provide strategies to encourage them to take ownership of, and participate in the development of their own personalized plans. The workshop will suggest dos and don'ts, discuss short-term versus long-term planning, and provide strategies to engage youth who may be reluctant to participate in planning. It will also provide an opportunity to practice individualized plan development through case scenarios and role play opportunities.

Selina Higgins has been the inaugural Executive Director of ACS' Office of Child Trafficking Prevention and Policy since its formation in 2014. She has created a variety of innovative programs and tools that have heightened awareness and service provision for trafficked and at-risk youth. Selina has worked for ACS for 25 years, including 3 years at its Children’s Center, supervising social work and child care staff, and directly providing clinical services to trafficked and other vulnerable youth. Selina has trained professionals locally and nationally on human trafficking, infant assessment, attachment and permanency, and group work models, and has published on trafficking prevention and intervention and best practice conferencing.

Dr. Ann Marie Pendleton, Psy.D. is Director of Mental Health for the Children’s Village Foster Care department in NYC. She has worked with survivors of trafficking since 2004, and has been a resource for clinicians practicing in the United States and Nigeria. Dr. Pendleton regularly collaborates closely with multiple settings including residential programs, foster care, outpatient clinics, schools, law enforcement, juvenile justice, hospitals, and advocacy organizations. She is a liaison with the New York State Office of Mental Health, and the Administration for Children's Services' Mental Health Coordination and Child Trafficking Units. She provides training on preventing and identifying sexual exploitation for both professionals and caregivers, along with prevention groups for youth.

Jessie Boye-Doe, LCSW, is the Director of JCCA's Center for Healing, which provides evidence-based clinical services to residents of JCCA’s Westchester Campus who have suffered sexual abuse and/or exploitation. While at JCCA, she has developed a cutting-edge approach to working with trafficking victims, translating her clinical expertise into modalities that address the underlying issues that make youth vulnerable. She has also created a training series for providers to identify, treat and prevent child sexual abuse and
exploitation; in addition to workshops and groups for the youth to help protect them against further victimization. Ms. Boye-Doe earned her BA in Psychology from Baruch College, and her MSW from the Columbia University School of Social Work.

Sexual Health and Intimacy for Survivors

[SURVIVORS ONLY]

Savannah Sanders, BSW, Founder, Sex Trafficking Prevention
Angie Conn, Founder, SheWhoDares, LLC
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 gain new tools.

Savannah Sanders is the founder of SexTraffickingPrevention.org and author of Sex Trafficking Prevention: A Trauma-Informed Approach for Parents and Professionals. Sanders, a thought leader for trafficking prevention, has expertise in child abuse prevention, trauma-informed care, harm reduction, and intergenerational abuse. Sanders has worked with communities across the country to provide survivor and trauma-informed training, 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, Sanders was the Director of Human Trafficking and Community Outreach at a 120-bed crisis shelter.

Angie Conn strives to freely express her insight and knowledge to those who desire to learn from her experience as a survivor of domestic sex-trafficking, abuse, and addiction. She ignites a renewed hope in her audience that healing and wholeness after trauma are possible while providing tools to implement change. Angie works as an independent consultant for SheWhoDares, LLC, which she founded in 2018, to empower others to dare to face and overcome their trauma. Currently, she is contracting with Children’s Home Society of WV on a short term grant team, PROACT (Prevent Respond and Organize Against Child Trafficking). This project is the first of its kind in her home state of WV. She sits on the WV Human Trafficking Task Force. In 2018, she was awarded the ‘Special Courage Award’ by the United States Attorney Southern District of West Virginia for being a champion for survivors of human trafficking in her home state.

Guiding Principles for Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking

Gretchen Hunt, JD, Director of Development, Backside Learning Center
Marissa Castellanos, MSW, Director, Bakhita Empowerment Initiative, Catholic Charities of Louisville
This workshop will provide agencies currently serving victims of trafficking or those who wish to begin or enhance work with practical guidance for serving victims of human trafficking using the recently published "Guiding Principles for Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking," developed by the HHS ACF Mid-South Advisory Group on Human Trafficking. The framework of 15 principles includes areas such as victim-centered, survivor-informed, culturally competent and evidence-based. Through lecture, discussion and practical application, participants will be able to assess their agency’s current capacity and build a plan for applying
guiding principles in their work, with a particular focus on child victims of sex trafficking.
https://www.acf.hhs.gov/otip/news/region4guidingprinciples

**Gretchen Hunt** serves as Director of Development for the Backside Learning Center, an agency that educates and empowers workers employed on the backside of Churchill Downs Racetrack. Hunt has advocated for survivors of violence and vulnerable communities for the last 19 years, most recently as Director of the Office for Victims Advocacy for the Kentucky Office of the Attorney General. She was a leader in helping to advocate for passage of Kentucky’s Human Trafficking Victims Rights Act. Her articles on human trafficking have been published in the Kentucky Bar Review and the Journal of Violence, Trauma and Abuse. She is a past recipient of Leadership Award of the Kentucky Women’s Law Enforcement Network and the Liberation Award from Kentucky Rescue and Restore for her work on human trafficking.

**Marissa Castellanos** received both her Bachelor of Arts and Master of Social Work degrees from the University of Kentucky. Marissa currently works as Program Director of the Bakhita Empowerment Initiative, a program to combat human trafficking through Catholic Charities of Louisville where she helped start the program and develop a statewide anti-trafficking coalition. Marissa has provided case management or advocacy services to more than 100 survivors of either sex or labor trafficking. Marissa currently co-chairs the Louisville Metro Human Trafficking Task Force, and is a member of the Southeast Regional Human Trafficking Advisory Group, an initiative of ACF Region 4 Office and of the National Advisory Committee on the Sex Trafficking of Children and Youth in the US.

**The Power of a Statewide Alliance: A Guide to Creating an Impactful Statewide Collaborative Model without Burning Out or Burning Bridges**

*Tennessee Anti-Slavery Alliance (TASA) founders and member organizations:*

Kate Trudell, BA, CSEE, Executive Director, CCAHT (TASA member organization), Tennessee Anti-Slavery Alliance
Derri Smith, Founder and CEO, End Slavery Tennessee
Rachel Haaga, Executive Director, Restore Corps

When it comes to effective statewide collaboration, both creating and refining an efficient and impactful model can be a challenge. This training will discuss the unique advantages and challenges of implementing a statewide, single-point-of-contact model and the nuances of navigating local, regional, and statewide spaces and partnerships toward strengthening client care and community response. From identifying key stakeholders to ensuring equitability and inclusion around the table, this training will outline steps toward establishing a statewide alliance, practical tips on implementing comprehensive and collaborative service delivery across regions, and communication strategies for addressing and overcoming challenges at both the partner and statewide level.

**Kate Trudell** joined The Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking, which provides direct services to survivors of trafficking, in 2014 as the Executive Director. She has a BA in Fine Art from Furman University and is a graduate of the Consortium for Social Enterprise Effectiveness at the University of Tennessee Haslam School of Business. Kate has devoted her career to human trafficking, domestic violence and other women’s rights issues. Prior to her role with CCAHT, she served as the Director of Individual Giving for the YWCA of Nashville. Before beginning her second career in the nonprofit sector, Kate worked as an advertising executive in Nashville, Tennessee for six years. Kate brings a wealth of knowledge in caused-based marketing, brand strategy and trauma-informed communications.

**Derri Smith** founded End Slavery Tennessee (ESTN) in 2008 to promote healing of human trafficking survivors and strategically confront the issue in her state. ESTN now cares for 200+ survivors each year. Ms. Smith co-founded the Tennessee Anti-Slavery
Alliance (TASA) to ensure provision of specialized, comprehensive aftercare throughout Tennessee. Her earlier work included launching a counter human trafficking initiative among 1,200 workers in 62 countries and six years in Europe serving the needs of refugees and persecuted people. Derri sits on the State Task Force and Advisory Council. She’s spoken in the US Capitol and at TEDx. Awards include the Tennessee Human Rights Commission Outstanding Service Award, Nashville Women of Influence and three Center for Nonprofit Excellence Awards.

Rachel Haaga began working with human trafficking survivors while living in Battambang, Cambodia. Upon return to Memphis, she joined with others to create an effective response to survivors locally. Restore Corps was birthed out of that human trafficking team and Rachel currently serves as the Executive Director. Initially, the Community Aftercare Restoration Endeavor (CARE), created a network of partnerships in Memphis joined together towards collaborative case management. Restore Corps currently serves survivors through two residential homes and specialized non-residential case management. Rachel sits on the Governor appointed Tennessee Human Trafficking Advisory Council, the Federal Human Trafficking Task Force and the Department of Health and Human Services Region 4 Working Group.

**Power Over Predators Prevention Education: Getting into Every School Every Year**

*Lisa Hansen, Education Director, Sold No More*

*Jerry Peyton, Founder & Executive Director, Sold No More*

This workshop will include a live demonstration of the Power Over Predators (POP) curriculum for middle & high school students. POP was developed with over 15 years of research and interaction with over 40,000 youth, and is now being used with 10,000 students a year. The curriculum is PowerPoint based with embedded videos of powerful, real life stories, and is formatted for assemblies or 2-3 class periods. The curriculum can be branded for local organizations and edited with local statistics and stories. Topics include predator protection, internet safety, healthy relationships and developing the courage, strategies and resources to stand up for themselves and others.

Lisa Hansen, As the 14 year old daughter of a pastor, honor student, class president and church youth group leader, Lisa ran away from home. Needing shelter, she ended up a victim of sex trafficking. She spent one year in a group home, returned home, then took off on her own, couch surfing and living on the streets at age 17. Lisa began developing and conducting presentations for youth on relationships and abuse prevention in the late 1990s. She has served as supervisor of a home for teenage girls and as house parent for group foster homes. She currently speaks to 10,000 students on sex trafficking and predator prevention each year, and trains educators and others in doing prevention education. She co-authored the Power Over Predators curriculum. Lisa has been married for 20 years, with 3 children.

Jerry Peyton is founder and executive director of Sold No More, the first organization (2010) in southern Arizona dedicated to combating sex trafficking. He formed and led the Southern Arizona Human Trafficking Task Force in 2011, which brought together over 60 law professionals from a dozen law enforcement agencies, including prosecutors’ offices. He has provided sex trafficking identification and response training to 2,000 professionals: law enforcement, juvenile justice, education, mental health, social services, youth home staff, hospital staff, medical and nursing college students. He co-authored the "Power Over Predators" curriculum with his daughter, a survivor of child sex trafficking, and has given prevention presentations to thousands of middle and high school students.
Childhood Sexual Abuse and Trafficking
Amy Rouleau, BSW, MPA, Executive Director, Restoration Place
Geared toward professionals who work with survivors of trauma, and particularly those interested in dissociative disorders, this engaging journey will provide a greater understanding of how early childhood sexual abuse, the human brain, and human trafficking are all connected. Amy’s personal testimony will leave you inspired and hopeful for a future without human trafficking. As Amy presents the data and her own experience with abuse, severe dissociation, substance abuse, cognitive issues, and deeper systemic issues will unfold. There is an emphasis on Dissociative Identity Disorder, its prevalence among survivors of long-term trauma and implications related the diagnosis; a diagnosis for which Amy is very familiar.

Amy Rouleau (BSW, MPA), is the Founder/Director of Restoration Place, a nonprofit organization. She has earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Social Work and a Master’s Degree in Public Administration, both from the University of Michigan. Author of Human Trafficking 101: Stories, Stats, and Solutions; and featured in magazines, newspapers and local television, she has been recognized for her excellent work combating human trafficking. Her personal testimony as a foster care child and survivor of childhood sexual abuse, will leave you inspired.

Lunch Break – 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Plenary – 12:30 – 1:00 PM

Invading the Darkness: Inside the Historic Fight Against Child Sex Trafficking in the United States
Linda A Smith, Former member of the US Congress, Founder Shared Hope International, Founder Shared Hope Institute for Justice and Advocacy
American kids are being sold for sex. This isn’t a new problem in our country. During the early 1900s a movement had arisen across the United States in response to hearing that girls and women were being forced or coerced into prostitution —what we now call sex trafficking. General Booth of the Salvation Army gave this call to action: “do something!” People rose up to try saving these young women. The crusaders were judges, prosecutors, missionaries, suffragists, police captains, politicians, pastors, doctors and individuals who wanted to stop the deception and betrayal. These activists finally passed a federal law and then moved to their own states legislatures. They used their collective voice to tell the tragic stories of girls deceived, enslaved, and sold. They hung pictures on posts and walls of entrapped girls peering through bars. They lit the darkness of the brothel by carrying candles into the bowels showing that what was hidden in the darkness would not survive the light of truth. World War I, the depression and then World War II stalled the movement’s progress; 100 years would pass and sadly, American girls and boys are today still being sold to satisfy someone else’s depravity. Buyers are still driving a market with their demand for youth. But now is the time, and our moment, to end this darkness once and for all. That is why Shared Hope exists. We are in it to invade that darkness once and for all.

Congresswoman Linda A Smith, Founded Shared Hope International in 1998 and the Shared Hope Institute for Justice and Advocacy in 2019. Author of From Congress to the Brothel, Renting Lacy, Invading the Darkness, The National Report on Domestic Minor Sex trafficking: the prostituting of America’s children, and The Demand report. Linda has testified before Congress, presented at national and international forums, and has been published in numerous news outlets and journals.
Session 6 – 1:30 – 2:45 PM

Demand Reduction Initiatives as Restorative Justice
Autumn Burris, Founding Director, Survivors for Solutions

The presentation will explore demand reduction initiatives as a form of prevention, restorative justice and survivor empowerment. The model of Sex Buyer Education will be presented via a case study of the First Offenders Prostitution Program, initiated in San Francisco, California and replicated across the United States. Technical Support discussions and activities will give participants the tools to properly implement the program to ensure governments are not responsible for funding the program. The outcomes are survivors have access to exit resources and services, the police departments are able to fund operations and the administrator of the program has operational funds.

Autumn Burris is a dedicated and passionate leading expert and international speaker with over twenty years experience in combating commercial sexual exploitation in all forms. Burris holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science/Public Policy with minor Human Rights from the University of California, San Diego. As a subject matter expert, her public policy advocacy experience includes the United Nations, British Parliament, legislative work at the federal, state and local levels, written and verbal testifying on legislation in multiple states. Ms. Burris’ experience includes educating offenders-Sex Buyers and Traffickers. She is currently an Expert Consultant with the Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center and partners with multiple organizations.

Reunification with Family, Community, and School After Trafficking
Marlene Carson, Founder & CEO, The Switch Anti-Trafficking Network

When it comes to victims of human trafficking there are many topics that stir intense emotional reactions. As we discuss the prospect of reunification of the family (especially if a parent is the perpetrator) or reintegration back into the the community the emotions for providers can become very problematic. However, the complicated realities mean that advocates and service providers across disciplines are frequently called upon to help mediate that process with very few guidelines. This workshop will present the participants with tools, strategies, and insights to help enhance safety, cooperation and positive outcomes for all involved.

Marlene Carson, SurThriving, author, coach, Founder of Rahab’s Hideaway and CEO of The Switch Anti-Trafficking Network is one of America’s foremost authorities on the subject of human trafficking. While many have a textbook knowledge of the perils faced by teenage girls and young adult women who are forced into prostitution, Marlene knows from her own personal experience. At age 15 she became one of the tens of thousands of girls exploited daily. Through her faith in Christ Marlene’s misery became a ministry to hurting teen girls and women who are seeking to be free. Marlene is a native and resident of Columbus, Ohio, but her heart for victimized women knows no boundaries. It is Marlene’s mission to create a loving, non-judgmental environmental for healing and restoration of lives.
Keeping Track of Trafficking: The Importance of Understanding and Using Sound Measurements

Jenna Andriano, MPP, Safe Harbor Evaluator, Minnesota Department of Health
Beatriz Menanteau, JD, Violence Prevention Programs Unit Supervisor, Minnesota Department of Health

Data has the potential to tell powerful stories; however, it can often be misrepresented or misinterpreted. As the anti-trafficking movement gains national momentum and is thus subjected to greater scrutiny, it is essential that anti-trafficking advocates know how to understand, collect, and discuss data. Even those who do not work directly with data benefit from a clearer understanding of what tools are uncovering. This presentation will cover commonly misused statistics in the anti-trafficking movement, how to spot reliable or unreliable data, and basics of how to represent your thorough data.

Jenna Andriano is the Safe Harbor Evaluator for the state of Minnesota at the Minnesota Department of Health where she created and manages the statewide service database for Safe Harbor service providers. As an evaluator, Jenna applies statistical analysis, policy analysis, and discourse analysis as tools to understand and translate qualitative and quantitative data on commercial sexual exploitation of youth. She has a B.A. Gender and Women’s Studies from the University of Illinois at Chicago and a Masters of Public Policy from the University of Minnesota where she wrote her thesis on the impact of anti-trafficking policy development strategies on transgender women of color who trade sex.

Beatriz Menanteau is a human rights and public health attorney. She is the Supervisor of the Violence Prevention Programs Unit at the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). At MDH, she oversees efforts to change systems that perpetuate sexual violence, human trafficking, and exploitation, and ensure appropriate system-wide responses to commercial sexual exploitation. After practicing corporate litigation, Beatriz transferred to a human rights NGO and worked locally and internationally to advocate for women’s human rights around the world. She helped develop Minnesota’s Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Youth Act and amendments to increase penalties for perpetrators. Beatriz has worked with a range of professional and community groups. She also has also taught law and social work courses.

After Backpage - A Case Study Through Social Media

Natalie Nohr, Human Exploitation and Trafficking Detective, Mesa Police Department
Kathleen Noriega, Police Investigator II, Mesa Police Department

This case study will assist investigators how to establish trafficking cases with runaway juveniles, adults, and documentation using the internet, social media, open source investigative tools, and apps for phone numbers. This case study will identify techniques used and documentation after the cessation of Backpage.com. Instruction will include challenges and successes encountered during the investigation. Additionally, information will be provided of the resources used during this investigation.

Natalie Nohr is a Detective for the Mesa Police Department’s Human Exploitation and Trafficking unit in Mesa, Arizona. Natalie has held this position since it was created over 3 years ago and previously was a Detective within the Special Victim’s unit. Natalie has over 10 years of experience as a Detective, 16 years as a law enforcement officer, and 19 years with the City of Mesa. Natalie obtained an interdisciplinary study, with a focus on criminal justice and sociology, bachelor’s degree at Arizona State University. Natalie has investigated numerous trafficking cases. The main content of these investigations came from social media. Natalie has been involved in undercover field work and operations targeting the demand of purchasing sex online and those persons who were trafficked.

Kathleen Noriega, Police Investigator II for the Mesa Police Department Human Exploitation and Trafficking Unit (HEaT) in Mesa, Arizona. She has been with this unit since its inception in 2016 and employed with the City of Mesa since 2004. Kathleen has
assisted with several trafficking cases involving children and adults, rescue operations, as well as numerous undercover operations. She is responsible for contacting and coordinating with other agencies/investigative leads/probation officers as well as utilizing automated systems to research criminal history, background checks, gather intel, logistics and assists with interviews. Kathleen also writes her own supplementary reports, and compiles and coordinates reports and statistics for the HEaT unit.

The Aftermath of R. Kelly: Human Trafficking Survivorship and Survivors of Color
Tanisha Knighton, Ph.D., Trainer/Consultant, Knighton Consulting Group, LLC
The recent documentary “Surviving R. Kelly” highlights the challenges faced by survivors of colors as they pursue justice for previous sexual assaults and being believed about their victimization. These same issues relate to human trafficking survivors and their reluctance to discuss their victimization, being believed about their victimization, and navigating the criminal justice system. This presentation will address the concept of identity distortion and the impact it has on the victim believability, the failure to meet the needs of Survivors of Color, and ways to engage in culturally-competent interventions to meet the needs of Communities of Color.

Tanisha L. Knighton, holds a B.A., M.C.J. and a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology. Dr. Knighton is an independent consultant and national trainer with over 15 years of experience as a Social Worker with Cuyahoga County Department of Children and Family Services and over 5 years in the Missing Persons Unit for the Cuyahoga County Sheriff’s Department. Dr. Knighton is an active member of the Human Trafficking Task in her area and a number of other agencies that address issues that affect missing persons. Dr. Knighton designs curricula and provides training on different topics for a variety of agencies and national conferences.

Using Photovoice to Reduce Stigma and Promote Resilience among Survivors of Childhood Sex Trafficking: Examining Process and Lessons Learned
Jennifer Middleton, PhD, MSW, LCSW, Associate Professor, University of Louisville
Angela Renfro, Executive Director, KristyLove Foundation
Survivors of Trafficking Creating Art, Agency, and Resilience (Project STAAR) is a survivor-informed photovoice project that utilized grounded theory analysis techniques to facilitate critical conversations with two cohorts of survivors of childhood sex trafficking. The resulting compilation of photos and narratives shared by the artists (the survivors) will be shown as a 20-minute silent short film. The film is powerful and conveys the many ‘photovocies’ of survivors of child sex trafficking. Following the film, a survivor-led panel will present lessons learned and findings (photography and narratives) from the project. Recommendations for improving advocacy, outreach and services will also be discussed.

Dr. Jennifer Middleton is an Assistant Professor in the Kent School of Social Work at the UofL and Director of the UofL Human Trafficking Research Initiative. Dr. Middleton’s work examines the impact of trauma-informed organizational change interventions within systems of care that serve sex trafficked populations. Dr. Middleton is currently the Director of Implementation for a new five-year $5M SAMHSA grant aimed at addressing community violence, trauma, and inequities in Louisville, Kentucky. Middleton is an active member of numerous local, state, national, and international human trafficking initiatives and is fully trained in the Sanctuary Model®. During her forensic social work career, Dr. Middleton worked with sexually exploited and trafficked children and youth.

Angela Renfro is the Founder and Executive Director of the Kristy Love Foundation, Inc. located in Louisville, Kentucky. The Kristy Love Foundation is a 501c3 organization that has been in existence for over 8 years and served over 2,000 victims of trafficking.
through residential programming, and provided meals and outreach to over 25,000 homeless and/or vulnerable individuals in need. Angela’s selflessness, community focus, and leadership has enhanced the quality of life for so many girls and women.

**The Intersection of the Opioid Epidemic with Sex Trafficking**

*Sean Tepfer, MPA, National Program Manager, US Department of Justice, Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit (HTPU)*

This session will examine multiple successful drug-based coercion sex trafficking prosecutions in the United States. The 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. In addition, the session will focus on recruitment methods used by traffickers, how the cases were initially missed and then later identified by law enforcement. The presentation will conclude with an examination of the legal and evidentiary challenges that arise in these cases, common defenses, and successful strategies for overcoming those challenges and defenses to secure convictions.

*Sean Tepfer* is the National Program Manager for the Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit (HTPU) within the Criminal Section of the US Department of Justice’s Civil Rights Division where he 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. 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. 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.

**Working With Foreign Victim of Trafficking**

*Marc Tetzlaff, Victim Specialist, Homeland Security Investigations*

*Stacey Sutherland, Program Director, TRUST - Training and Resources United to Stop Trafficking*

The majority of sex trafficking victims, both minors & adults, in the U.S. are Americans. But an underserved population that is often missed and ignored are foreign minor victims. Foreign minor and adult victims of sex and labor trafficking are often not provided the necessary services and considerations that they deserve. This session will talk about the unique needs that a foreign victim has and the best practices that advocates, service providers and officers can use to stabilize the victim. We will also talk about the legal considerations on getting temporary status for the victim and the federally available services that are specifically available to foreign victims of trafficking. We also describe how to apply for a “T Visa” and a “U Visa” as well as options for foreign minors.

*Marc Tetzlaff* was hired as the first Victim Spec for HSI AZ in July of 2010. He has trained thousands of citizens and police officers on Human Trafficking and has trained foreign law enforcement agents on human trafficking at the International Law Enforcement Academy 10 times over the last 4 years. He has worked with both domestic and foreign victims of trafficking and routinely consults with local and state law enforcement agencies on trafficking issues and victim care issues. Marc’s previous work experiences include working with U.S. Army soldiers and their families on issues of domestic violence and child abuse, he’s also been a victim advocate at the U.S. Attorney’s Office where he worked mostly violent and sexual abuse crimes. He helped develop the hotel training system with Phoenix P.D.

*Stacey Sutherland* is currently the Programs Director for TRUST (Training and Resources United to Stop Trafficking). She has extensive experience conducting human trafficking related training’s across the country to multiple disciplines including medical, mental health, child welfare, victim services and law enforcement. One of her passions is working with rural communities to build
local capacity to serve victims of human trafficking. Stacey began her work in the anti-trafficking field by building a regional human trafficking program. She graduated from Arizona State University with Bachelors in Science in Sociology.

**Civilian Men and Law Enforcement Collaboration: Disrupting Online Sex Buyers Nationwide**

*Nick Lien, HEaT Sergeant, Mesa Police Department*

*Nick Lembo, State Coordinator, JustMenArizona*

Men find a meaningful answer to the question, “What can I do to stop demand?” We train teams in more than eleven US cities to use secured software from Epik Project, allowing civilians to form cyber patrols to confront buyers at the point of sale. Script is designed by LE, survivors, and legal advocates, and relationship with LE insures cyber patrol schedules don’t interfere with local efforts. Collected buyers’ information is offered to local LE to help identify high frequency buyers and pimps for further action, and has resulted in arrests of buyers and pimps nationwide. We educate potential buyers to the reality of modern-day slavery, and possible legal ramifications of their actions. Applicants are screened and trained to use correct verbiage interacting with those who respond to decoy ads on buyer websites.

**Sergeant Nick Lien** has been employed with the Mesa Police Department in Arizona since 2003. Sergeant Lien previously worked as a detective in the Gang Unit and in the Special Investigations Unit conducting multi-agency task forces. Sergeant Lien was selected to lead the Mesa Police Department Human Exploitation and Trafficking (HEaT) Unit in 2017. In the HEaT Unit he supervised several human trafficking operations varying from small to large. These operations have varied from a couple days to multiple weeks. These operations used a collaborative model of local, state and federal law enforcement partners as well as incorporating Non-Governmental Organization (NGO’S).

**Nick Lembo** is the State Coordinator for JustMenArizona (Arizona Anti-Trafficking Network). Nick has been a presenter for JustMenArizona throughout the state of Arizona sharing the importance of men’s involvement in fighting human trafficking and how they can get involved. He is an active member of AATN combating trafficking in Arizona. Nick has also presented for Shared Hope International at national conferences and has spoken at anti-trafficking forums across the nation. Nick serves as Finance Chair for the Shared Hope board of directors, is co-chair of the Defenders, the Men of Shared Hope, and Board Member of the Rebecca Bender Initiative. His passion is to engage and equip men to wage war against sex trafficking and change the culture through education.

**Session 7 – 3:45 – 5:00 PM**

**HOPE Court: The District of Columbia’s Non-Criminal Response to Sexually Exploited Youth in the Court System**

*Rashida Prioleau, JD, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General-DC*

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

*Maxine Akai, LICSW, LCSW-C, Program Coordinator for HOPE Court, Community Services Administration, DC Department of Behavioral Health*

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 how the entire court team from the presiding judge, prosecutors, opposing counsel, and service providers, take a trauma informed approach to treating the child victim. The workshop will walk through an actual case and highlight how the court employs a non-criminal response, even in juvenile cases, when serving a child victim.
**Rashida Prioleau** is an Assistant Attorney General at the Office of the Attorney General, for the District of Columbia. For the past eleven years, Rashida has handled the civil prosecution of child abuse and neglect cases in the District of Columbia. 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. Rashida now serves as the child welfare prosecutor in HOPE Court, a treatment court in the District of Columbia that works with sexually exploited children in the child welfare and juvenile systems.

**Megan Aniton** is an Assistant Attorney General at the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) for the District of Columbia. Megan 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.

**Maxine Akai** is a Clinical Social Worker with over 10 years’ experience working with child welfare, education, hospital and mental health in the DC area. Maxine currently works at the DC Dept. of Behavioral Health and serves as the Program Coordinator for HOPE Court at DC Superior Court. Maxine serves as a clinical representative for HOPE Court, providing service recommendations for youth in both the juvenile justice and/or child welfare system(s), teams on expediting services, troubleshoots issues related to access and provides real time input on issues related to youth’s holistic presentation, including, but not limited to, mental health. External to her roles within DC Superior Court, Maxine conducts trainings for various government agencies on CSEC warning signs and risk factors.

**Exploring Marriage, Friendship and Professional Relationships for Survivors**

**Victoria Gutbrod, LPCC-S & EMDR Certified, Trauma Team Lead, Emerge Counseling Agency**

**Matthew Gutbrod, Director, State and Federal Comm.**

**Alicia Ley, Director of Safe Housing, RAHAB Ministries**

**Jacob Ley, MDiv, Pastor, The Chapel | Kenmore**

Victoria and Matthew Gutbrod will be joined with Alicia and Jacob Ley in a panel format to discuss the journeys of being married as survivors. Alicia and Matt are both survivors of childhood sexual abuse. Matt has written a book called "Boy on the Run" that tells his story of ruin, recovery and reformation. He is celebrating 18 years of sobriety and is a strong advocate for male survivors of sexual abuse. Alicia is a survivor of childhood abuse that includes being trafficked. She is the Safe House Director for Rahab Ministries and devotes her life to advocating for other survivors. A panel with open discussion of being married as a survivor and how their spouses have come alongside to aid the healing. These couples will share real stories with humor and humility to bring hope to others.

**Victoria Gutbrod MA, LPCC-S** is the Trauma Team Lead for Emerge Counseling Agency. She has been instrumental in developing a partnership with Rahab Ministries, to provide cutting edge trauma interventions for the women at their safe house. She has 17 years of experience working with survivors of abuse. She has spoken at national and state level agencies to promote awareness of how trauma impacts the mind, body and spirit of individuals. She is passionate about coming alongside survivors as they find healing and a voice to tell their story. She is involved in creating a trauma informed movement therapy with dance as well as with aerial and wall yoga. She is innovative in her approach to finding healing, and believes that the creative process is at the core of this.
Matthew Gutbrod is an author and speaker in the areas of Childhood Abuse, Addiction and Recovery. His book "Boy on the Run" was published in 2013. His second book "The Prodigal Addict" is currently being edited. Matthew speak to groups about recovering from abuse and the addictions that normally follow.

Alicia Ley has worked with RAHAB overseeing the vision to provide safe housing for victims of human trafficking across the state. She is an in-demand speakers and collaborates with our many community partners to provide research-based responses to trauma that address the specific needs of our survivors. Her life calling is to partner with God as He builds up what has formerly been devastated and sets captive free. As a survivor herself, Alicia has a fiery passion to see survivors of sex trafficking live whole, healthy and restored lives. When she is not at RAHAB, Alicia lives in intentional community in an urban neighborhood with her husband, 3 kids and two grandchildren. Alicia adores long distance biking with her dearest friend and making the perfect cup of frothy coffee.

Jacob Ley is the lead pastor of an urban church in Akron, Ohio where he resides with his amazing wife, their 3 children, and 2 grandchildren. Jacob and Alicia have been married for 12 years and are continually committed to learning how to grow in greater intimacy despite the trauma and difficulties that being a survivor of DMST brings. He is a self-proclaimed nerd and passionate preacher of the word. Although Jacob's trifecta of being a military brat, pastor's and missionary kid has provided him the opportunity of traveling and living all over the world; there is no place he'd rather be than the city of Akron. Jacob is dedicated to suffering alongside fellow Cleveland sports fans. His best nights are spent at home with his family or out on a date with his wife.

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

Marie Leger, MD PhD, Dermatologist, Metro Dermatology

Exploiter brandings such as tattoos inhibit emotional healing, affect physical safety and employment opportunities, and impede the ability to “move on” with life. The Office of Child Trafficking Prevention and Policy therefore developed “Movin On”, a network of doctors and tattoo artists who provide free tattoo removal or alteration for branded youth, along with a trauma informed counseling component to ensure the support needed for life changing decisions. The workshop will address the trauma and attachment factors relevant to involuntary tattooing, provide an overview of the variety of physical and emotional considerations involved for removal, and discuss outreach strategies to youth, network development, liability waivers and other factors required for replication consideration.

Selina Higgins has been the inaugural Executive Director of ACS’ Office of Child Trafficking Prevention and Policy since its formation in 2014. She has created a variety of innovative programs and tools that have heightened awareness and service provision for trafficked and at-risk youth. Selina has worked for ACS for 25 years, including 3 years at its Children’s Center, supervising social work and child care staff, and directly providing clinical services to trafficked and other vulnerable youth. Selina has trained professionals locally and nationally on human trafficking, infant assessment, attachment and permanency, and group work models, and has published on trafficking prevention and intervention and best practice conferencing.

Dr. Marie Leger is a physician at Metro Dermatology in New York City. Previously, she was an Assistant Professor of Dermatology at Weill Cornell and at New York University. She completed her residency at New York University where she also served as chief resident. Dr. Leger attended medical school and obtained a PhD in Communications at the University of Illinois. She consults with the FDA and NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene about tattoo health and isotretinoin. She started the first tattoo center in the US, and lectures tattoo artists about skin cancer detection and tattoo safety. In addition, she founded a tattoo removal program...
at Metro Dermatology (with referrals from Legal Aid Society and NYC Administration for Children’s Services) for victims of human trafficking.

**Whats Wrong with this Picture**

*Rus Funk, Consultant, Rus Funk Consulting*

Most men view pornography but most men who view pornography are not paying attention to the impact that viewing pornography has on them. Evidence clearly demonstrates that viewing pornography has an impact on men’s attitudes towards themselves and their understanding of manhood, their attitudes towards women, their attitudes about sex and sexuality, their willingness to become engaged in preventing gender based violence, and more. "What’s Wrong with this Picture" is a facilitated program designed to support men to examine the impact of viewing pornography on their attitudes and behaviors, leading to an invitation for men to get active in efforts to prevent gender-based violence generally, and sexual exploitation and sex trafficking in specific.

*Rus Ervin Funk* is a consultant based in Louisville, KY. He is a long time-activist and organizer focusing on engaging and mobilizing men to prevent gender-based violence and promote gender-equality. He is the creator of both the What’s Wrong with this Picture and "We’re not buying it" initiatives. Rus is currently the Development Coordinator of the North American MenEngage Network where he serves as chair of the Policy Advocacy Committee. He also serves on the Global Advocacy Working Group of the Global MenEngage Alliance and is the Secretary of the Board of the National Center on Sexual and Domestic Violence.

**The Dangers of Social Media Now and in the Future--So Let’s Fix It!**

*Gene Hill, Co-Director, Freedom13, Past Director CHAMPS Mentoring, Shared Hope Defender & Ambassador*

The critical thinking portion of teen brains will not be fully wired up until the mid-twenties. Until then, they deserve extra protection on the Internet. But they don’t get it. Gene breaks down how predators and traffickers use flaws in Social Media to identify and groom victims. He shows where social media is heading in the near future, describing how technology, including artificial intelligence, will move social media into more dangerous territory and how it can be used to fight sex trafficking. Gene proposes a Digital Bill of Rights for Minors and a structural change to the Internet to effectively protect our youth.

*Gene Hill* retired after 30 years in Silicon Valley designing integrated circuits. PC Magazine named him Man of the Year for proposing and developing Intel’s original 32-bit Personal Computer Chip. Gene understands computer and app issues down to the bit level. He and his wife Sandy began Freedom13.org in 2013 to educate parents and teens on the dangers of DMST and how to protect children. They have presented 100 times to schools, churches, and community groups. Gene is an Ambassador for Shared Hope. Gene entered the world of writing in 2018, publishing his first novel, Cryptocurrencies, Self-driving Cars & Murder winning a literary contest. His second novel, *She is Brilliant: An Artificial Intelligence Mystery* continues to show computer and technology dangers in an entertaining way.

**Implementing a Protocol in a Hospital or Clinic**

*Teresa Davidson, ARNP, MSN, MA, Anti-Human Trafficking Coordinator, Mercy Medical Center*

Journey through the process of implementing a protocol to identify and assist victims of Human Trafficking that enter the doors of your hospital or clinic. Discover the training necessary, and the tools needed. The presentation will include a frank discussion on risks, barriers and common pitfalls of implementing a protocol.
**Teresa Davidson** has practiced as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner for over 23 years, recently becoming a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner. She is also a pastor and part-time missionary, and has led multiple international and national mission trips; including those assisting victims of human trafficking. Teresa is currently working in Guatemala to assist that country with prevention education and restoration. She founded and serves as the President of Chains Interrupted, an organization based out of Cedar Rapids, dedicated to eradicating human trafficking in Iowa and beyond. Teresa was recently hired by Mercy Medical Center as an Anti-Human Trafficking Coordinator, becoming the first hospital in Iowa to hire a person whose specific job is to assist victims caught in Human Trafficking.

**Survivor and Law Enforcement Informed Policy**

*Camila Zolfaghari, JD, LLM, VP of Policy, Street Grace*
*Kayti Batya, Survivor Leader, Street Grace*

This presentation will talk about the importance of involving survivor leaders and law enforcement in the initial policy making process, rather than merely using their stories and experiences to advance policies made without their consultation. We will discuss different ways that survivor leaders, law enforcement, and other multi-disciplinary experts can be invited into the policymaking process, as well as ways they can become policy leaders even when working in a state or environment that is not currently being receptive to their expertise. We will discuss numerous examples of new and innovative legislative policy ideas that have originated from our Survivor Advisory Board, as well as a history of law enforcement led demand focus legislation.

**Camila Zolfaghari** serves as the Street Grace vice president of policy, bringing 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 as their chief human trafficking prosecutor. She is also focused on setting legislative policy focused demand prosecution and deterrence, and the prevention of human trafficking.

**Kayti Batya** joined Street Grace in the Fall of 2017 and serves as Survivor Leader for the organization. Kayti is a survivor of familial sex trafficking, both as a child and adult. Through her healing, she became passionate about what she could do to combat this horrible injustice and to help others. Her heart is not only to help other survivors and those being exploited but to also aid in preventing children from falling prey to it. Kayti has a unique perspective from a survivor’s standpoint that helps in the fight against Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking.

**Empowering Survivors of Trafficking Through Service Animals**

*Jessa Crisp, Executive Director, BridgeHope*
*K.D. Roche, Human Trafficking Field Expert and Trainer, Independent Contractor*

Although research shows the power of animals in assisting survivors of trauma in healing and daily tasks that are associated with trauma responses, most individuals working with survivors often lack the knowledge to be able to use this tool effectively or in a manner to empower survivors to co-create their healing process. In this session, three survivors of trafficking will share their unique insight and experience working through the long-term medical and psychological effects of trauma with their service animals. Illuminating the unique healing animals can provide on a biopsychosocial level, you will walk away equipped with knowledge on how to engage with handlers and their service animals, adhere to the ADA, and advocate for service animals with the survivors you work with.
A respected communicator, Jessa Dillow Crisp uses her childhood experience of severe abuse and trafficking to illustrate both the stark realities of sex trafficking, and the truth that healing transformation is possible. Some highlights of Jessa’s career include speaking at the Colorado State Capitol, speaking at the National Character Leadership Symposium, filming with Fight the New Drug and Real Woman Real Stories, and training the Department of Homeland Security on topics related to human trafficking.

K.D. Roche is a human trafficking field expert and has been providing recommendations and input to inform research, policies, and programs to combat trafficking and provide services to survivors since 2014. They are a training and technical assistance consultant for the Office for Victims of Crime, a fellow of the Human Trafficking Leadership Academy, a member of the National Survivor Network and co-chair of the LGBTQIA Working Group for IPATH (Indiana Protection for Abused and Trafficked Humans) Taskforce. K.D. also offers professional consulting services on strategic fundraising, organizational development and capacity building for anti-trafficking organizations.

Instilling Healing and Safety: Addressing Somatization of Trauma
Kristen Hoffman, LCSW, TRCC, Therapist, Ascent 121
Emily Taylor, MSW, LSW, Clinical Therapist, Ascent 121

Trauma is universal. At any point, in a blink of an eye trauma can turn your whole world upside down. Exposure to trauma can leave a tremendous impact on an individual’s social, emotional, and behavioral functioning. Even more so, we are seeing trauma have a dramatic sensory and somatic impact. Trauma is experienced and re-experienced on a sensory level, triggering a myriad of trauma related disturbances. However, what is often more challenging for individuals to identify and treat is the somatic disturbances. Together we will explore how adverse life experiences (ALEs) create fear based responses causing dysregulation and somatic symptomology. We will explore sensory based interventions to target somatic symptoms and trauma dysregulation to re-instill a sense of healing and safety.

Kristen Hoffman is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, with a vast array of experience in working with at risk, traumatized children, adolescents, and adults. Mrs. Hoffman attended University of Kentucky, where she obtained her BASW and MSW, with a Clinical Mental Health Concentration. From 2009-2016, Mrs. Hoffman was employed by Central Clinic Behavioral Health, where she advanced to Director of Special Programs and overseeing a Trauma Treatment Center. Mrs. Hoffman has obtained a Trauma Responsive Care Certification, through the Tristate Trauma Network and was credentialed as a Certified Trauma Practitioner, through National Institute for Trauma and Loss from 2013 - 2017. Mrs. Hoffman is currently working as a therapist with trafficking victims through Ascent 121.

Emily Taylor is a Clinical Therapist at Ascent 121. In her role she provides individual, family, and group therapy to youth and young adults who have experienced commercial sexual exploitation (CSE) and sex trafficking (ST). She additionally developed programming for survivor aftercare support. Emily is trained in Victim Survivor Leader Model through Girls Educational and Mentoring Services (GEMS) and My Life My Choice Prevention Curriculum. Prior to working as a therapist at Ascent 121, Emily worked at the Magdalene Model of Thistle Farms in St. Louis, Missouri with adult survivors of CSE/ST and for Missouri Division of Youth Services with juvenile delinquent-involved youth.
Thursday, October 17
Breakfast – 7:30 – 8:30 AM

Department of Justice Update – 8:30 – 9 AM

U.S. Department of Justice’s Efforts to Combat Demand
Beth A. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Legal Policy
In collaboration with state and local partners, the U.S. Department of Justice is taking an “all fronts” approach to combating the plague of sex trafficking. This includes not only prosecuting traffickers and identifying and assisting victims, but also fighting demand and disrupting the illicit commercial sex marketplace that fuels sex trafficking. In this presentation, the Department’s primary policy advisor will give an update on the ways in which the Department is working to disrupt the commercial sex marketplace and to decrease demand for the illicit services that constitute—or induce—sex trafficking.

Beth A. Williams was sworn in as Assistant Attorney General on August 21, 2017, after unanimous confirmation by the Senate. As Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Policy, she serves as the primary policy advisor to the Attorney General and the Deputy Attorney General, and as the Chief Regulatory Officer for the Department. From 2005–2006, Ms. Williams served as Special Counsel to the United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary, where she assisted with the confirmation of Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr. and Associate Justice Samuel A. Alito, Jr. to the United States Supreme Court. Prior to becoming Assistant Attorney General, Ms. Williams was a litigation and appellate partner at a national law firm, where her practice focused on complex commercial, securities, and First Amendment litigation. Ms. Williams litigated cases in federal and state courts across the country. She also served as chair of the firm’s Women’s Leadership Initiative in Washington, D.C. Ms. Williams received the firm’s Pro Bono Service Award seven years in a row for her dedication to pro bono work.

Plenary – 9:00 – 10:30 AM

Preventing, Disrupting and Intervening to End Demand
Panelists:
Autumn Burris, Founding Director, Survivors for Solutions
Rus Ervin Funk, MSW, CSE, Consultant, Rus Funk Consulting
Tom Perez, Founder, EPIK Project
Moderator: Samantha Vardaman, Vice President, Shared Hope International
Multiple social forces drive the sexualization of our children and youth and create permission giving beliefs that fuel buyer behavior. What can be done to prevent, disrupt and intervene in the demand? Panelists will address why ending demand should be a priority in the efforts to end sex trafficking and how advocates and activists can include combating demand into their work.
Autumn Burris, Founding Director, Survivors for Solutions
Autumn Burris is a dedicated and passionate leading expert and international speaker with over twenty years experience in combating commercial sexual exploitation in all forms. Burris holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science/Public Policy with minor Human Rights from the University of California, San Diego. As a subject matter expert, her public policy advocacy experience includes the United Nations, British Parliament, legislative work at the federal, state and local levels, written and verbal testifying on legislation in multiple states. Ms. Burris’ experience includes educating offenders-Sex Buyers and Traffickers. She is currently an Expert Consultant with the Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center and partners with multiple organizations.

Rus Ervin Funk is a consultant based in Louisville, KY. He is a long time-activist and organizer focusing on engaging and mobilizing men to prevent gender-based violence and promote gender-equality. He is the creator of both the What’s Wrong with this Picture and “We’re not buying it” initiatives. Rus is currently the Development Coordinator of the North American MenEngage Network where he serves as chair of the Policy Advocacy Committee. He also serves on the Global Advocacy Working Group of the Global MenEngage Alliance and is the Secretary of the Board of the National Center on Sexual and Domestic Violence.

After nearly 30 years as a local pastor, Tom Perez founded The EPIK Project in an attempt to bring men to the fight to end demand for prostituted persons. Through an innovative partnership with local law enforcement, Tom has trained and led an all-volunteer effort that succeeded in intercepting over 150,000 online purchase attempts in 5 years. Since 2016, this model has been replicated in 11 cities across the country. Tom formally served as the Chair for the Multnomah County CSEC- Demand Reduction Workgroup, where he led a multidisciplinary team and was the Portland City Coordinator for the CEASE Initiative. In addition to his work with EPIK, he also serves on the Oregon Attorney General’s Advisory Committee on Sex Trafficking of minors.

Samantha Vardaman joined Shared Hope International in 2005 to direct research for the DEMAND report and documentary for the U.S. Department of State. Samantha co-authored The National Report on Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking based on research for the U.S. Department of Justice. Samantha designed and directs the Protected Innocence Challenge, which establishes a framework of laws necessary to combat sex trafficking in each state. Previously, Samantha served as the director of the American Bar Association Central European and Eurasian Law Initiative’s Moldova office implementing anti-trafficking legislation development and legal services for victims of trafficking. She is a graduate of Boston College and the University of Miami School of Law.

Plenary – 10:30 – 11:30 AM

Conversation With A Reformed Buyer “I Represent the Worst of What Happened to You”
Marian Hatcher, Rev Dr., Policy Analyst & Victim Advocate, Cook County Sheriff’s Office, Public Policy
John Pulley, Co-Founder, ManAlive Expedition
Join Marian Hatcher, Survivor Leader, as she interviews a reformed buyer, John Pulley, asking the hard questions and unpacking the painful truth. Together they will reveal the mindset of a buyer—what makes them buy with impunity?... what can stop buyers from buying?...does a criminal justice response provide deterrence? They will also address the collective anger of the survivor community at the pain inflicted by buyers, diving in where few have, in the hopes that a long overdue dialogue can begin. The session may contain content and imagery not suitable for all audiences; attendee discretion is advised.
Marian Hatcher has been with the Cook County Sheriff’s Office (CCSO) for 15 years where she is now, Policy Analyst & Victim Advocate in the Office of Public Policy. She coordinates several of CCSO’s anti-trafficking efforts such as the “National Johns Suppression Initiative,” a nationwide effort targeting the buyers of sex as the driving force of sex trafficking and prostitution. Marian is a national expert on combating the demand, sitting on numerous boards (including Shared Hope’s Advisory Board) and facilitating trainings for the FBI and Homeland Security. She has been featured in numerous documentaries, including I AM JANE DOE. Marian is a 2014 recipient of the Pathbreaker Award and in 2016 she was honored by President Obama with a Presidential lifetime volunteer achievement award.

John Pulley is an author and public speaker. Speaking openly, honestly and without shame, he speaks boldly to the hearts of men who are dealing with sexual addictions of all kinds. As a former buyer and sex addict, he knows firsthand the devastation hidden and minimized sexual issues are causing to individuals, marriages and communities. He is currently finishing a book about his journey into and out of addiction. John is also a consultant to the anti human slavery organization Fierce Freedom and co-founder of ManAlive Expedition, a ministry that is a raw, honest journey into the deep desires and passions of the heart of a man. Like his passion for speaking, the core and primary objective is to create an environment that allows men to connect with and hear from the Father directly - allowing Him to interpret and speak insight directly into their lives.