# Iowa Network Against Human Trafficking and Slavery

Anti-Trafficking Resource Directory

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I. CRISIS LINES

1. NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE
   Call to report suspicious activity or concerns. The national hotline will in-turn inform the
   Iowa Department of Public Safety Office to Combat Human Trafficking.
   Contact Information:
   Helpline: (888)373-7888 or text “HELP” to BeFree (233733)
   Email: help@humantraffickinghotline.org
   Website: www.humantraffickinghotline.org

2. STATEWIDE IOWA CRISIS LINE
   Trafficking victims and survivors are assisted 24/7.
   Contact Information:
   Helpline: (800)770-1650 or text “iowahelp” to 20121
   Website: www.survivorshelpline.org

3. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES CHILD ABUSE HOTLINE
   For reports of suspected child sex trafficking.
   Contact Information:
   Helpline: (800)362-2178

II. IOWA STATEWIDE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

1. IOWA NETWORK AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND SLAVERY
   Nonprofit organization providing statewide coordination, volunteer opportunities, training,
   awareness, and legislative advocacy.
   Contact Information:
   Dr. George Belitsos, Board Chair
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   Website: www.iowanaht.org
   Facebook: www.facebook.com/iowanaht

2. CRIME VICTIM ASSISTANCE DIVISION (within the Iowa Attorney General’s Office)
   Contact Information:
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3. OFFICE TO COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING (within the Iowa Department of Public Safety)
   Contact Information:
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Director of Investigative Operations  
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4. IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & TRUCKERS AGAINST TRAFFICKING

For an Iowa DOT map showing locations of survivor services, visit iowadot.gov/endslavery. For more information about the work of Truckers Against Trafficking, go to their website at truckersagainsttrafficking.org/state-agency-initiatives.

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III. IOWA DIRECT SERVICE PROVIDERS AND RESTORATION SERVICES (These residential programs primarily serve trafficking survivors.)

1. BRAKING TRAFFIK/FAMILY RESOURCES

Headquartered in Davenport, Iowa: Provides comprehensive services to victims of labor and sex trafficking covering Region 6 (SE Iowa) of the crime victim’s area map.

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Website: http://www.famres.org/services/survivor-services  
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● 1521 47th Avenue, Moline, Illinois 61265 // Phone: (309)797-6534  
● 801 Oregon Street Unit 4, Muscatine, Iowa 52761 // Phone: (563)263-0067  
● 240 North Bluff Boulevard, Clinton, Iowa 52732 // Phone: (563)242-0887

Service Description: Braking Traffik/Family Resources provides services as the victim needs them (trauma-informed), including housing, counseling, medical and court
advocacy, while collaborating with law enforcement and other community agencies; training and public awareness around trafficking issues; and safety and well-being of victims.

Mobile advocacy available in the following counties: Clinton, Jackson, Louisa, Muscatine, and Scott, but will consider referrals from anywhere in eastern Iowa.

2. CHAINS INTERRUPTED

Based in Cedar Rapids, Iowa: A 501(c)3 non profit that provides the following services (see their website www.chainsinterrupted.com for further details):

- Survivor Advocacy: The organization offers a variety of support services, including short-term physical needs (housing, transportation, referrals, etc.), as well as a non-residential Restoration Program. The “Harbor House” is a “low supervision” Restoration Program for adult women. Please call our intake line for information on, or referral to our Restoration Program or Harbor House (319) 206-4417

- Speaker’s Bureau: The organization provides trained speakers to present on various topics of human trafficking for your organization, business, church, group, school or private gathering. Specific projects include education for Schools, Hotels and Motels, Financial Institutions and Medical Personnel. Please see the “Request a Speaker” form on their website.

- “UnChained Coalition:” A coalition that works to identify and address the gaps that exist in community services to people victimized by human trafficking.

- “Stop the Demand Project”: Stopping the demand for trafficked persons is likely the most important way to stop Human Trafficking. Chains Interrupted partners with an organization that seeks to educate the public on the direct link between pornography and human trafficking, as well as provides services and support for those addicted.

- Missions: Chains Interrupted has local, national and international mission projects. Partnering with the IMPACTO Ministries and the Protect Me Project, the organization works in Guatemala in 1) Prevention education, 2) Restoration work, and 3) Providing respectable jobs for women.

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3. **DOROTHY’S HOUSE**

Located in Des Moines, Iowa: Restoration home and programs for survivors of sex trafficking. Statewide referrals accepted. Programs include:

- DH Restoration – Long term residential housing for women (18+) who are willing to commit to sobriety and participate in the work toward healing. The residential program is designed to teach new ways of thinking and believing about life and the world around them to create better outcomes in the future.
- DH Transitions – This program is designed for participants who have completed the residential program to gradually take on more personal responsibility as they continue to gain confidence and achieve goals. Each transition subsidy is geared to the specific needs of the participant and is designed to help them reach successful independence.
- DH Front Porch – Designed to provide immediate safety and long-term housing solutions to all survivor profiles (boys/men 18+, gender non-binary, adults with custody of their minor children).

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4. **FREEDOM HOUSE MINISTRIES** (opened on December 2, 2019)

Located near Pella, Iowa: Long term faith-based Restoration Home (two-year program) for girls 12-17 years of age (and 18-year-old students still in high school) who are survivors of sex trafficking. As of June 2020, Freedom House also serves young women who are survivors of labor trafficking. This long-term restoration home has 4 beds and is licensed by the Iowa Department of Human Services for service to minors is located in the Pella area. Their services include: an initial call, filling out our referral packet, their committee approving the participant, and a face-to-face meeting with required documents and signatures. Freedom House provides opportunities for medical care, counseling, life skills, education, and healing. They are staffed with house moms (12-hour shifts) and a social worker. They are not a crisis center.

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5. **FRIENDS OF THE FAMILY**

**Headquartered in Waverly, Iowa:** Provides comprehensive services to victims of both labor and sex trafficking covering Region 3 (NE Iowa) of the crime victim’s area map.

**Contact information:**
Karen Siler, Human Trafficking Services Manager  
Helpline: (319)352-1108  
Address: PO Box 784, Waverly, Iowa 50677

**Service Description:** Friends of the Family provides services as the victim needs them (trauma-informed) that could include housing, counseling, medical and court advocacy while collaborating with community partners; training and public awareness around trafficking issues and safety and well-being of victims. The agency opened a location in Postville Iowa in December 2016.

The agency also provides mobile advocacy and goes to where the victims are located – primarily serving victims in the following counties: Allamakee, Benton, Black Hawk, Bremer, Buchanan, Chickasaw, Clayton, Delaware, Dubuque, Fayette, Howard, Jones, Linn, and Winneshiek.

6. **GARDEN GATE RANCH (opening June 1, 2020)**

This restoration center will open in an undisclosed location in central Iowa. This faith-based 501(c)3 nonprofit program provides safe housing, restorative services, and transitional living for four sexually exploited women and their children (up to age 4). The newly remodeled facility has the potential to expand to serve up to eight women.

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7. **IOWA HOMELESS YOUTH CENTERS - (a program of YSS)**

**Located in Des Moines, Iowa:** Provides comprehensive services to victims of crime including sex trafficking survivors between ages 18 to 21 for males and 18 to 24 for females including those who are pregnant and parenting.

**Contact information:**
Ashley Mitchell or Elizabeth Patten
Service Description: Staff are human trafficking and trauma-informed trained and provide crisis intervention, counseling, emergency beds and transitional living (for up to a maximum of 24 months). IHCY operates 9 emergency beds for non-system street and homeless youth ages 16 to 21. Eligible clients are victims of crime including human trafficking survivors. The Youth Opportunity Center is located at 612 Locust in the heart of downtown Des Moines. The center also provides a daily meal site, mobile street outreach and crisis intervention, life skills, employment services, mental health/counseling services, and daily youth development, education and computer services for youth of all ages. In addition, YSS provides two emergency shelters located in Mason City and Ames (trauma informed) and will accept adolescent sex trafficking victims ages 12 to 17.

8. NIAD CENTER FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT/CRISIS INTERVENTION SERVICES

Headquartered in Mason City, Iowa: Provides comprehensive services to victims of both labor and sex trafficking covering a portion of Region 2 (North Central Iowa) of the crime victim’s area map.

Contact information:
Mary Ingham
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Address: PO Box 656, Mason City, Iowa 50402

Service Description: The agency provides services as the victim needs them (trauma-informed) that could include housing, counseling, medical and court advocacy while collaborating with law enforcement and other community agencies; training and public awareness around trafficking issues; and safety and well-being of victims.

The agency provides mobile advocacy and goes to where the victims are located – primarily serving victims in the following counties: Butler, Cerro Gordo, Floyd, Franklin, Grundy, Hamilton, Hancock, Hardin, Humboldt, Kossuth, Mitchell, Webster, Winnebago, Worth, and Wright.

9. SAFE AT HOME

Headquartered in Des Moines, Iowa: A free statewide address confidentiality program for survivors of trafficking and other violent crimes. This service to trafficking survivors is administered by the Iowa Secretary of State’s Office.

Contact Information:
Melanie Shellenberger, Program Administrator
Phone: (515)725-7233
Service Description: Safe at Home provides a substitute legal address that survivors can use in place of their actual, physical address. The Safe at Home program forwards the mail to the survivors’ actual address. Program participants are also able to vote via absentee ballot without disclosing their physical address in the statewide voter registration system. The intent of the program is to keep survivors’ physical addresses safe. It is open to Iowa residents.

10. SET FREE DUBUQUE
Set Free Dubuque is a registered 501(c)3 non-profit faith-based agency. Set Free is focused on the city of Dubuque and the tri-state area including East Dubuque, Illinois, and Grant County, Wisconsin. Set Free Dubuque exists to proclaim freedom for survivors by educating the community, advocating for survivors, and eliminating the demand for modern day slavery.

Set Free provides one-on-one services to individuals who are or were victims of human trafficking or their loved ones. They work closely with law enforcement and local therapists to ensure that their efforts are effective. Set Free also offers training and speaking engagements. Practical assistance such as finding temporary shelters, seeking medical assistance, clothing, meals, and limited transportation are some of the ways Set Free assists people. Set Free does not itself provide shelter or longer-term restorative residential services, but does make referrals.

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11. LILA MAE’S HOUSE
Located in Sioux City, Iowa: A safe house providing 24/7 restoration and healing support for adult female survivors of sex trafficking. Lila Mae’s House has a capacity for 7 women and is open for referrals for women 18+ who have been domestically sex trafficked.

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PO Box 1281
Sioux City, IA 51102
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12. WINGS OF REFUGE

Located in Central Iowa: This is a Christ-centered 501(c)3 nonprofit safe house with five beds providing 24/7 restoration support for healing female adult survivors of sex trafficking. Statewide referrals accepted. They have an online referral application process on their website. Wings of Refuge is in the process of remodeling a second restoration facility that will serve as a transitional living center. This new transitional living facility will have five apartments for five female survivors. The projected opening is January 2021. To volunteer, please email info@wingsofrefuge.net.

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Website: www.wingsofrefuge.net
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Facebook: www.facebook.com/wingsofrefuge.ia
Address: P.O. Box 562, Iowa Falls, Iowa 50126

13. YOUTH AND SHELTER SERVICES - (YSS)

Locations in Ames, Boone, Marshalltown, Mason City, and Des Moines, Iowa:
Provides sex trafficking prevention, awareness, diversion and residential services to children and youth. Identifies vulnerable youth through mobile street outreach, referral and self-disclosure and assists and ensures that young victims are safe and diverted from further exploitation.

Contact information:
Ruth Buckels, LMSW
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Phone: (515)233-2250 x 4572
Emergency Shelter Phone: (515)233-2330
Business Office: (515)233-3141
Website: www.yss.org
Address: 420 Kellogg Avenue, Ames, Iowa 50010
Service Description: YSS provides emergency shelter for sex trafficked youth ages 12 to 17 in Ames and Mason City and restoration/transitional living services for those ages 18 to 24 in Ames, Marshalltown, and Des Moines (AKA Iowa Homeless Youth Centers). Transitional living program duration is up to 24 months. The transitional living program also provides housing and services to the client’s children.

IV. MINORITY, CULTURALLY-SPECIFIC, REFUGEE, AND IMMIGRANT SURVIVOR SERVICES

These agencies are a good resource for survivors of trafficking who face cultural and/or language barriers. These agencies also serve victims of labor trafficking, and are good resources for information and training on labor trafficking. The US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants is now federally funded for service to trafficking survivors. The last resource is an attorney serving Chinese survivors of sex and labor trafficking.

1. AMANI COMMUNITY SERVICES
   Website: www.amani-cs.org

2. CAUSEY & YE LAW
   With offices in Des Moines, Iowa City, and Ames, this law firm has extensive experience representing minority defendants, particularly those who speak only Chinese, who are victims of human trafficking. The firm is recognized for its immigration services.

   Contact Information:
   Phone: (515)381-0168
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   Address: 2213 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50312

3. DEAF IOWANS AGAINST ABUSE (DIAA)
   This organization’s mission is to cultivate a safe, informed, and empowered community for individuals with any type of hearing loss by providing culturally competent and fully accessible services, advocacy, and education.

   Contact Information:
   Jennifer Upah-Kyes, Executive Director
   Helpline: (319)531-7719
   Director’s Phone: (319)531-7717
   Website: https://diaaiowa.org/

4. ETHNIC MINORITIES OF BURMA ADVOCACY AND RESOURCE CENTER (EMBARC)
   Website: www.embarciowa.org
5. **LA LUZ HISPANA CENTRO CULTURAL**  
Website: [www.laluzhispana.org](http://www.laluzhispana.org)

6. **LUNA (LATINAS UNIDAS POR UN NUEVO AMANECER) (LATINAS UNITED FOR A NEW DAWN)**  
The mission of LUNA is to empower, educate, and advocate for victims/survivors of sex and labor trafficking, domestic violence, and sexual assault, so that they may build futures free from violence and exploitation. Trafficking and domestic violence impact all communities and are a serious problem. However, each community is unique and has different barriers. The staff at LUNA are knowledgeable on the barriers that Latinx survivors face, including legal status, language, and lack of resources. LUNA works alongside the survivor to educate them on the various systems (legal, court, law enforcement, etc) and empower them to make their own decisions about their healing process using a client centered and trauma informed approach.  

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Des Moines Office: (515)271-5060  
Marshalltown Office: (319)242-7536  
Website: [www.lunaiowa.org](http://www.lunaiowa.org)

7. **MONSOON ASIANS & PACIFIC ISLANDERS IN SOLIDARITY**  
Monsoon's mission is to end all forms of gender-based violence and build healthy communities through transformative justice and social change. The organization functions as a resource, advocate, and support for members of Iowa’s API population affected by domestic violence, sexual assault, and trafficking by providing crisis advocacy; individual and group counseling; assistance involving law enforcement; legal advocacy; court accompaniment; medical support and advocacy; assistance with housing, education, employment and government benefit applications; information and referrals; a community resource center; community outreach and education; youth internships; and youth programming.

**Contact Information:**  
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Iowa City Office: (319)466-9000  
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8. **NISAA AFRICAN FAMILY SERVICES**  
NISAA African Family Service’s mission is to end sex and labor trafficking, domestic
violence, and sexual assault in African Immigrant and Refugee communities by promoting the social, economic, and political self-determination of all women. The organization seeks to build healthy communities through transformative justice and social change.

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Des Moines Office: (515)255-5430  
Iowa City Office: (319)338-7617  
Website: [http://nisaa-afs.org/](http://nisaa-afs.org/)

**9. RESOURCES FOR INDIGENOUS SURVIVORS (RISE)**
Website: [www.meskwaki.org/rise](http://www.meskwaki.org/rise)

**10. SUPPORT FOR ARAB FAMILIES IN IOWA (SAFI)**
Website: [www.monsooniowa.org](http://www.monsooniowa.org)

**11. U.S. COMMITTEE FOR REFUGEES AND IMMIGRANTS**
This organization serves refugees and immigrants statewide with a vast array of services. Major federal grant funding provides an attorney and direct service case manager to immigrants and refugees who have been sex or labor trafficked. The Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Service (TAPS) has staff with extensive victim-centered advocacy experience.

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V. IOWA DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE AGENCIES & ADULT SHELTERS

(Funded by the Crime Victims Assistance Division of the Iowa Attorney General’s Office)

There are 12 comprehensive domestic abuse service agencies that primarily serve victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault. These 12 programs also assist victims of human trafficking. The following link provides a detailed description of each agency, which counties they serve, and their websites: www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov.

VI. IOWA PREVENTION AND EDUCATION TRAFFICKING PROJECTS

One of the best defenses against human trafficking and slavery is education. Many people who are enslaved are tricked into it. Violence comes only after trickery has given the traffickers or slaveholder control. This is an ancient method for enslaving people. Four hundred years ago, slavers on the West African coast offered free food and a free trip to a fabulous paradise to the local people. The reality, once on board the slave ship, was brutality and enslavement. Around the world today, "recruiters" hold out the chance of a good job to the economically desperate or designer clothes or commodities to impressionable youngsters – the hoax revealed once they have taken control of people’s lives. The con men of trafficking and slavery know exactly how to lure the vulnerable into slavery. But against this deception a little education goes a long way.

All the direct service providers listed under Section III Iowa Survivor Restoration Services also provide education and awareness services. Contact the program closest to your community for speakers.

1. BLANK CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER - Des Moines
   
   Provide education and training and database creation to track at-risk kids making contact with members of the MDT teams showing human trafficking indicators.

   **Contact Information:**
   Nikki Romer, Forensic Interviewer
   Phone: (515)241-4311

2. IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & TRUCKERS AGAINST TRAFFICKING
   
   Funded to develop and air statewide PSA campaign (via radio, satellite radio, and social media) instructing Iowa motorists, truck drivers, and bus drivers to recognize and call appropriate human trafficking hotlines and victim services agencies. The Iowa Truckers Against Trafficking have become a model for the rest of the country. For more information about their work, go to their website at truckersagainsttrafficking.org.

   **Contact Information:**
   Chief Dave Lorenzen
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For an Iowa map showing locations of survivor services and a report on data collected by the Iowa Victim Service Hotline with a breakdown on 415 human trafficking calls, go to https://iowadot.gov/endslavery.

3. IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY

   The Iowa LEA provides onsite training for newly hired law enforcement officers on how to recognize and investigate trafficking. The LEA also provides off site training upon request to local police and sheriff’s departments as well as anti-trafficking community groups.

   Contact Information:

   Phone: (515)725-9609
   Website: www.ileatraining.org
   Address: P.O. Box 130, Camp Dodge, Johnston, IA 50131

4. IOWA NETWORK AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND SLAVERY

   Headquartered in Ames, Iowa: The Iowa Network Against Human Trafficking & Slavery (NAHT) is Iowa’s first and only statewide volunteer organization devoted exclusively to ending trafficking in all its forms. The Iowa NAHT is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that is overseen by a board of Directors (20 members) from across Iowa. There are no employees and the Iowa NAHT does not provide direct services to victims or survivors. The NAHT does not receive state funding and operates on private donations. The network’s website is the go-to place for Iowa human trafficking information, training, and volunteer opportunities. You can subscribe to receive a twice-monthly email blog post by going to the contact tab on the website.

   Four statewide projects:
   - Hotel/Motel Employee Training & Awareness
   - Rescue Sticker Distribution and Awareness Project
   - Anti-Trafficking Massage Business Project
   - Demand An End Project

   Network’s Mission: To coordinate Iowa’s solution to end human trafficking and slavery through coalition building, raising awareness, and promoting education and advocacy. To end human trafficking in all its forms through:
   - Providing a platform for collaboration between state and local agencies
   - Advocating for effective investigation, rescue, and prosecution
   - Leading and coordinating public policy and legislative efforts
   - Strengthening collaboration between regional groups, nonprofits, law
enforcement, faith communities, and community service providers

- Raising awareness and promoting education and training
- Advocating for expansion of survivor services and best practice

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Subscribe to Iowa NAHT Blog: [link here](#) (Monthly update on anti-trafficking news, events, training, and resources here in Iowa and around the country)

5. **IOWA SAFE SCHOOLS** - Statewide

The primary focus of this program is to prevent LGBTQ+ youth from being groomed by online traffickers. Anti-trafficking advertisements on social media platforms like Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram are utilized to increase awareness of this issue. Information about educational events is provided as well. Iowa Safe Schools also hands out Specialized Pride Packs that focus on human trafficking at Iowa Pride Events.

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Website: [https://www.iowasafeschools.org/](https://www.iowasafeschools.org/)

6. **PARTNERSHIP FOR A HEALTHY IOWA**

The Partnership for a Healthy Iowa offers free educational resources developed under the supervision of Iowa educators and Iowa State University as part of the Iowa Digital Literacy and Wellness project.

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Phone: 515-729-7334

7. **STAYING SAFE ON THE INTERNET: WHAT SINGLE PARENTS NEED TO KNOW**

All parents face challenges in keeping their children safe online. However, single parents must work twice as hard to keep their households running, which can make internet safety a difficult priority to keep while juggling other parental duties. This is a guide to help single parents. Link to online guide here: [https://decisiondata.org/internet/staying-safe-single-parents/](https://decisiondata.org/internet/staying-safe-single-parents/)
7. TEENS AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING - (YSS)

Through the program known as Teens Against Human Trafficking (TAHT), YSS provided in school—youth to youth—educational and referral opportunities. TAHT now has downloadable resources at www.yss.org for students to access.

YSS continues to provide statewide Achieving Maximum Potential (AMP) as well Iowa Foster Care Youth Councils with anti-trafficking education, information, and awareness. YSS continues to provide awareness programming to community groups and law enforcement at conferences.

Contact Information:
Ruth Buckels, AMP and Iowa Foster Care Youth Council Statewide Coordinator
Phone: (515)233-2250 x 4572
Website: www.yss.org

Terri Bailey, Assistant AMP Coordinator
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8. THE SET ME FREE PROJECT

This nonprofit organization provides prevention education to schools and communities in Iowa. The education program empowers youth to value themselves and others from trafficking and social media dangers. They also empower adults to protect youth in these same areas.

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VII. NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES

1. BIKERS AGAINST TRAFFICKING

Bikers Against Trafficking attempt to educate motorcycle enthusiasts to recognize and report suspicions of human trafficking. Their goal is awareness and education.

Website: https://bikersagainstrafficking.org/
Phone: 407-300-8971
Iowa Chapter Email: earl@bikersagainstrafficking.org
2. **CEASE NETWORK (CITIES EMPOWERED AGAINST SEXUAL EXPLOITATION)**
   A collaboration of 11 pioneering cities committed to combating sex trafficking by reducing the demand for buying sex by 20 percent in two years.

   Website: [www.ceasenetwork.org](http://www.ceasenetwork.org)

3. **ECPAT INTERNATIONAL**
   A global network of organizations working to end child prostitution, child pornography, and the trafficking of children for sexual purposes.

   Website: [www.ecpatusa.org](http://www.ecpatusa.org)

4. **END SLAVERY NOW SLAVE-FREE BUYING GUIDE**
   The End Slavery Now Slave-Free Buying guide is meant to introduce customers to companies and brands that address slavery, forced labor, and human trafficking in their supply chain.

   Link: [http://www.endslaverynow.org/media/3949/slavefreeguide_052416.pdf](http://www.endslaverynow.org/media/3949/slavefreeguide_052416.pdf)

5. **EQUAL JUSTICE WORKS IOWA FELLOWSHIP**
   Legal services provided by a two-year fellowship (7/2018 - 6/2020) serving only victims of labor or sex trafficking in Iowa. There are no income requirements to qualify for legal services. The fellowship serves adult and minor victims, citizens and non-citizens statewide.

   **Contact Information:**
   Lauren Camp, Justice Corps Attorney
   Phone: (319)364-6108
   Email: lcamp@iowalaw.org

6. **FAIRTRADE INTERNATIONAL**
   The mission of Fairtrade International is to connect disadvantaged producers and consumers, promote fairer trading conditions and empower producers to combat poverty, strengthen their position and take more control over their lives.

   Fairtrade International believes that trade can be a fundamental driver of poverty reduction and greater sustainable development, but only if it is managed for that purpose, with greater equity and transparency than is currently the norm. They believe that people can overcome disadvantage and marginalization if they are empowered to take more control over their work and their lives, if they are better organized, resourced and supported, and can secure access to mainstream markets under fair trading conditions.
Website: https://www.fairtrade.net/

7. FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
   Investigation and prosecution of labor and sex trafficking.
   
   Contact Information:
   Karen Gale, Victim Specialist
   Des Moines: (515)223-4278
   Cedar Rapids: (319)336-2461
   Quad Cities: (309)764-9559
   Waterloo: (319)234-4327

8. THE FREEDOM FUND
   The mission of The Freedom Fund is to mobilise the knowledge, capital and will needed to end slavery. The organization identifies and invests in the most effective frontline efforts to eradicate modern slavery in the countries and sectors where it is most prevalent. Partnering with visionary investors, governments, anti-slavery organisations and those at risk of exploitation, The Freedom Fund tackles the systems that allow slavery to persist and thrive. Working together, they protect vulnerable populations, liberate and reintegrate those enslaved and prosecute those responsible.
   
   Website: https://freedomfund.org/

9. FREEDOM UNITED
   The world’s largest community dedicated to ending human trafficking and modern slavery. They mobilize by engaging the public stakeholders in many different countries. They equip millions of supporters with awareness, education, and ways to take action that drives real change.
   
   Website: https://www.freedomunited.org/

10. GLOBAL SLAVERY INDEX
    This organization maintains the Global Slavery Index. The Global Slavery Index provides a country by country ranking of the number of people in modern slavery, as well as an analysis of the actions governments are taking to respond, and the factors that make people vulnerable. This year, so that they might better understand the problem, they have also included an analysis of trade flows and data on state imposed forced labour in North Korea, risk factors in the fishing industry, and the prevalence of forced labour in the cocoa sector.
    
    Website: https://www.globalslaveryindex.org/2018/data/maps/#prevalence
11. **HOPE FOR JUSTICE INTERNATIONAL**

   **Headquartered in Manchester, England:** This global organization, which operates on four continents, employs a strategy based on preventing exploitation, rescuing victims, restoring lives, and reforming society.

   **Contact Information:**
   - U.S. Office: P.O. Box 280365, Nashville, TN 37228
   - Ed LeMieux, Executive Director
   - Phone: (615)828-8781
   - Email: ed.lemieux@hopeforjustice.org
   - Website: www.hopeforjustice.org

12. **HOTEL & MOTEL CODE OF CONDUCT**

   The hospitality industry has a code of conduct for the protection of children from sexual exploitation in travel and tourism. For more information, go to www.thecode.org.

13. **HUMAN TRAFFICKING CENTER**

   The HTC is a nonprofit research and advocacy organization committed to using academic rigor and transparency, sound methodology, and reliable data to understand forced labor and human trafficking. Their aim is to provide research that improves inter-organizational cooperation and accountability, influences anti-trafficking policy, and raises public awareness about the problem. They also partner with academics, students, legislators, NGOs, and international organizations to provide the public balanced information about human trafficking. The HTC is housed within the Josef Korbel School of International Studies at the University of Denver and is comprised of M.A. candidates and faculty. This research center has a series on forced labor and fair trade standards.

   Website: https://humantraffickingcenter.org/

14. **IN OUR BACKYARD**

   In Our Backyard is a nonprofit based in Central Oregon that links arms across America in the fight against trafficking. Their focus is prevention and education, and they have collaborated with many states by providing training for social service agencies, schools, faith communities, etc. IOB believes that awareness is the critical first step in ending human trafficking.

   Website: http://inourbackyard.org/

15. **LOVE146**

   The mission of Love146 is to end child trafficking and exploitation worldwide. They provide prevention and education services along with their survivor care program.

   U.S. Address: P.O. Box 8266, New Haven, CT 06530
16. NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN

The nation’s clearinghouse and comprehensive reporting center for missing children and issues related to the prevention of and recovery from child victimization.

Website: www.missingkids.com

Internet Safety Programs:
www.netSmartz.org
www.netSmartzkids.org

June is Internet Safety Month.

17. NATIONAL CENTER FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

The National Center on Sexual Exploitation (NCOSE) is the leading national organization exposing the links between all forms of sexual exploitation such as child sexual abuse, prostitution, sex trafficking and the public health crisis of pornography. As the thread of pornography in the web of sexual exploitation is systemically overlooked by society, the National Center on Sexual Exploitation has prominently advanced this issue as a central pillar of its projects in order to promote more holistic solutions.

Website: https://endsexualexploration.org/

18. NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE

Call to report suspicious activity or concerns. The national hotline will in-turn inform the Iowa DPS Office to Combat Human Trafficking.

Contact Information:
Helpline: (888)373-7888 or text “HELP” to BeFree (233733)
Email: help@humantraffickinghotline.org
Website: www.humantraffickinghotline.org

19. THE NO PROJECT

The NO Project is an award-winning global educational anti-slavery campaign that specifically targets youth awareness of modern slavery and human trafficking through film, music, art, dance, theater, journalism, education, and social media. Their approach is based on the principle that education includes global citizenship, ethical decision-making, and protection. The NO Project offers free downloadable teaching material on
human trafficking and modern slavery. This material is primarily for older teens. The NO Project values the power and skills of young people to join the fight against trafficking.

Website: https://www.thenoproject.org/

20. **PARTNERS AGAINST CHILD TRAFFICKING (PACT)**

This organization produces public service announcements and radio ads that are broadcast nationally. They are focused on keeping children safe, especially from internet traffickers. The key to their platform is the students who through peer to peer communications are empowered to stop the predator in their own environment. Students have a voice and PACT provides them a platform to bring an end to child trafficking by raising awareness, preventing victimization, and reducing demand.

Website: https://www.pact.city/

21. **POLARIS PROJECT**

The Polaris Project operates the National Human Trafficking Resource Center (NHTRC) and its hotline which is used throughout the United States as the central number to call for help, leave tips, and get information on human trafficking. Their resources include numerous online trainings and print information on human trafficking for individuals and various groups (including law enforcement), legislative advocacy (state and national), case information, and more, all of which can be found at traffickingresourcecenter.org.

Website: www.polarisproject.org

22. **PROTECT ME PROJECT**

Works at preventing sex trafficking in North and South America. Training materials are available.

Website: www.protectmeproject.org

23. **ROTARIAN ACTION GROUP AGAINST SLAVERY (RAGAS)**

RAGAS raises awareness that millions are held captive and illegally forced to work for commercial gain. The organization encourages its communities to participate in local education projects which help to prevent vulnerable children, youth, and adults from becoming modern day slaves. Its board leaders are Rotarians in Australia, Egypt, India, Pakistan, Italy, New Zealand, South Africa, The Philippines, The United Kingdom, and The United States.

**Iowa Contact Information:**

Dr. George Belitsos, Iowa RAGAS Coordinator
Email: gbelitsos55@gmail.com
24. **SHARED HOPE INTERNATIONAL**

Shared Hope provides major national anti-trafficking conferences and training. The organization strives to prevent the conditions that foster sex trafficking, to restore victims of sex slavery, and to bring justice to vulnerable women and children. They support 14 freedom and restoration projects in the United States and around the world. Their demand reduction effort is found at sharedhope.org/join-the-cause.

Website: www.sharedhope.org

25. **THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING LEGAL CENTER**

**Headquartered in Washington, District of Columbia:** The Human Trafficking Legal Center (HT Legal) empowers courageous survivors of labor and sex trafficking to seek justice. The center provides human trafficking survivors who seek legal representation with access to highly-skilled, pro bono attorneys. HT Legal spearheads national efforts to hold human traffickers accountable for their crimes and raise awareness of victims’ rights. The center works to obtain criminal convictions, criminal restitution, and civil judgments against traffickers. It also conducts groundbreaking research on trafficking and mandatory criminal restitution, informing public policy and influencing federal reform. With pro bono legal assistance, trafficking survivors can rebuild their lives.

**Contact Information:**
Martina Vandenberg, National Director
Email: mvandenberg@htlegalcenter.org
Website: http://www.htlegalcenter.org

26. **THORN**

Thorn is a nonprofit anti-trafficking organization founded by actor and Iowa native Ashton Kutcher. The organization has been a leader in the worldwide fight against human trafficking since its founding in 2011. Kutcher’s foundation has developed software known as “Spotlight” which is being used by many urban police departments to uncover human trafficking on the internet. Spotlight is also utilized by the Iowa Department of Public Safety. Thorn is applauded as the “Digital Defender of Children.”

Website: https://www.thorn.org/

27. **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, OFFICE OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS**

Produces training materials related to human trafficking for health care and social service providers, and law enforcement officers. They provide a series of webinars for
health care providers, behavioral health professionals and social workers called SOAR, which can be accessed at acf.hhs.gov.

A new series is set for spring 2018. You can pre-register for it at nhtac.wufoo.com.

They also provide posters and brochures at acf.hhs.gov.

Website: www.acf.hhs.gov


Their anti-human trafficking program is called the Blue Campaign. DHS is responsible for investigating human trafficking and protecting victims. They also provide some immigration relief to foreign born victims of human trafficking. They coordinate human trafficking efforts with other government agencies such as Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). Their training materials include a large number of resources for law enforcement.

Website: http://www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign

29. YOU CAN FREE US FOUNDATION

You Can Free Us is an international human rights organization that is fighting modern slavery around the world through advocacy, rescue, and rehabilitation. The organization is based in Texas; however, it has programs throughout the world. Founded in 2010, You Can Free Us has quickly grown. They have safe houses, training centers, and intervention hubs in seven countries. Their prevention strategies are contained in a 2020 book called Libertas.

Website: https://youcanfree.us/

VIII. BUSINESS, INDUSTRY, AND PROFESSIONS

1. AMERICAN HOTEL & LODGING ASSOCIATION

The American Hotel & Lodging Association has launched a national campaign to get all hotel and motel employees trained nationwide. On August 13th, 2019, the “No Room For Trafficking” Campaign was kicked off with a press conference in Des Moines, Iowa led by Chip Rodgers, the CEO of the AHLA.

Website: www.ahla.com/issues/human-trafficking
2. **BUSINESSES ENDING SLAVERY & TRAFFICKING (B.E.S.T.)**

BEST was created to keep children and vulnerable people safe from human traffickers. BEST raises awareness about how employers can help stop human trafficking. BEST consults on best practices and provides model policies for employers. BEST trains employees to implement best practices and stop exploitation before it happens. BEST enables employers to provide jobs for survivors of trafficking and people considered at-risk.

Website: www.bestalliance.org

3. **HEALTH, EDUCATION, ADVOCACY, LINKAGE (HEAL)**

Provides information and resources (including a protocol toolkit) for medical personnel.

Website: https://healtrafficking.org


For articles on what the hospitality industry is doing to fight human trafficking, search for “human trafficking” at: http://www.travelweekly.com

5. **TRUCKERS AGAINST TRAFFICKING (TAT)**

A leader in promoting the difference an individual can make in fighting human trafficking and in mobilizing an industry. It has an excellent video and provides trainings for truck and bus drivers. The organization also trains Iowa truck stops to make sure employees are aware of what to look for and what to do if they spot signs of trafficking.

Website: www.truckersagainsttrafficking.org

6. **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR’S BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (ILAB)**

Provides a variety of information on Child labor and Forced labor, including a free app for iPhones and Androids called “Comply Chain” which provides businesses with tools for Labor Compliance in Global Supply Chains. A similar online tool can be found at: www.dol.gov/ilab/complychain/.

Website: www.dol.gov/agencies/ilab/our-work/child-forced-labor-trafficking
IX. ANTI-TRAFFICKING SPECIAL PROJECTS

1. RESCUE STICKERS

The Iowa NAHT is providing Rescue Stickers statewide with both the national and Iowa human trafficking hotline numbers. The stickers are primarily placed in convenience stores, transportation centers, hotels, truck stops, etc., always with the permission of the management. As of January 1st, 2020, 10,000 stickers have been posted by volunteers and advocates in Iowa. As of April 1, 2020, the NAHT now has a Spanish-language Rescue Sticker. If you or your organization would like to volunteer to distribute Rescue Stickers click here for full instructions. You will need to obtain consent from each location in which stickers are posted. For consent tracking, please use this form.

2. IOWA NAHT ANTI-SEX TRAFFICKING MASSAGE PARLOR PROJECT

The Iowa NAHT asks anti-trafficking coalitions and advocates to approach local law enforcement and city councils to pass ordinances to regulate local massage businesses.
Nationwide, there are over 9000 illicit businesses practicing under the guise of massage therapy. Ordinances allow law enforcement to ensure that there are no illicit activities such as prostitution and trafficking in local massage parlors. For more information on the project and how you can help, contact the NAHT at gbelitsos55@gmail.com.

3. **IOWA NAHT HOTEL EMPLOYEE AWARENESS & ANTI-TRAFFICKING TRAINING**

   This statewide project is a joint venture of the Iowa NAHT and the Nebraska Coalition on Human Trafficking. The Hotel/Motel Employee Training Project recruits community volunteers to attend a three hour Train the Trainers program. Each trained volunteer is asked to provide training to a minimum of three hotels/motels. Four regional anti-trafficking coalitions lead local project efforts covering all sections of Iowa with the exception of Southern Iowa. Those interested in training should contact the Iowa NAHT at gbelitsos55@gmail.com.

4. **RED SAND PROJECT** ([https://redsandproject.org](https://redsandproject.org))

   Offers free bags of red sand for groups or individuals to use to fill in cracks in sidewalks or parking lots to remind people of the most vulnerable among us who may become victims of human trafficking, and that they aren’t to be walked on or let to fall through the cracks. Other artistic installations are also encouraged.

5. **S.O.A.P. (SAVE OUR ADOLESCENTS FROM PROSTITUTION)** ([www.soapproject.org](http://www.soapproject.org))

   Started by Theresa Flores, a trafficking survivor, S.O.A.P. has community volunteers provide bars of soap with the human trafficking hotline number on the label, to motels/hotels with a large risk of trafficking, especially during certain large sporting events.


   The founder and driving force behind Break the Cycle is Mark “Rocky” Vest, who received an Outstanding Anti-Trafficking Service Award from the NAHT on January 16th, 2020. Held annually in Iowa and raises funds to fight human trafficking. Last year, the 200 mile one day bike ride raised nearly $100,000. Since the first Break the Cycle 200 ride in 2011, over $750,000 has been raised and donated to nonprofit prevention projects, rescue services, and survivor restoration programs.

**X. ANTI-LABOR TRAFFICKING PRODUCTS**

1. **BEZA THREADS**

   An Iowa-based group that has partnered with an Ethiopian nonprofit that rescues and provides a home for children rescued from trafficking. The children produce beautiful scarves which are sold in Iowa through Beza Threads.
2. **FREESET GLOBAL** ([www.freesetglobal.com](http://www.freesetglobal.com))
   A fair trade organization whose craftspeople are survivors of sex trafficking. They make jute bags and organic cotton tee shirts.

3. **SERRV INTERNATIONAL** ([www.serrv.org](http://www.serrv.org))
   Provides crafts from around the world for groups and individuals. Some are made by survivors of human trafficking (search for human trafficking on the website).

4. **THE HUMAN THREAD CAMPAIGN** ([www.humanthreadcampaign.org](http://www.humanthreadcampaign.org))
   Works to help consumers become aware of the conditions of garment workers around the world and to help them take personal and social actions.

5. **THISTLE FARMS** ([www.thistlefarms.org](http://www.thistlefarms.org))
   Offers body and beauty products made by survivors of sex trafficking, domestic abuse and addictions. Check out the Story of the Magdalene community on this website.

   Provides a List of “Goods Produced by Child Labor or Forced Labor.”

7. **www.slaveryfootprint.org**
   Shows some of the things you may own that have been produced by forced labor.

**XI. FAITH COMMUNITIES-NATIONAL**

1. **CLINTON FRANCISCAN SISTERS**
   The center supports the statewide efforts of the Iowa NAHT and is listed as an ally. The Sisters began their fight against human trafficking in 2015, and now lead the Tri-State Coalition Against Trafficking. In September of 2018, they launched the Eastern Iowa Hotel/Motel Project Against Human Trafficking.

   **Contact Information:**
   Website: [www.clintonfranciscans.com](http://www.clintonfranciscans.com)
   Email: lfreudenberg@clintonfranciscans.com
2. **ELCA CHURCHES** ([www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org))

   Includes a link to “A Social Message on Commercial Sexual Exploitation.” It also has many links to human trafficking resources, such as [http://www.elca.org/Resources](http://www.elca.org/Resources), which includes, among other things, a six session Lenten Bible Study on Trafficking and a seven session program designed for young people.

3. **PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** ([www.presbyterianmission.org](http://www.presbyterianmission.org))

   Has resources, including “Seven Days of Prayer and Action to End Human Trafficking” and a Red Hand Project addressing the problem of Child Soldiers.

4. **UNITED METHODIST WOMEN** ([https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org](https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org))

   Have several resources for downloading.

5. **UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS (USCCB) Office of Migration and Refugee Services (MRS)** ([www.usccb.org/about/anti-trafficking-program](http://www.usccb.org/about/anti-trafficking-program))

   Offers the Become a Shepherd (Stop Human trafficking and Exploitation, Protect and Help, Empower and Restore Dignity) toolkit online which can be used in parishes and faith groups. This toolkit can be ordered for free by email by contacting: MRSShepherd@usccb.org

   USCCB MRS works primarily with international trafficking and training. The USCCB also has a St. Josephine Bakhita Prayer card. St Josephine was herself a slave.


   A collaborative, faith-based national network that offers education, supports access to survivor services, and engages in advocacy in an effort to eradicate modern-day slavery. It is comprised of congregations of religious women, coalitions working against human trafficking in which religious women participate, individual sisters, lay associate members of congregations, etc.

**XII. IOWA AND NATIONAL REPORTS**

1. **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF POLARIS PROJECT’S REPORT ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN ILLICIT MASSAGE BUSINESSES**

2. **IOWA DEPT. OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE TO COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

   The Iowa DPS has issued its 2019 annual report. They include some statistics in the annual report from the national hotline and from Iowa law enforcement agencies. It is available online at: [https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/publications/DF/1070336.pdf](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/publications/DF/1070336.pdf).

   DPS has also developed a human trafficking page on their website, which includes a link to the annual report.

3. **IDENTIFYING BEST PRACTICES AND BARRIERS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM SERVICES WITHIN THE STATE OF IOWA BY DR. HOUSTON OF THE IOWA NAHT**


4. **ON-RAMPS, INTERSECTIONS, AND EXIT ROUTES: A ROADMAP FOR SYSTEMS AND INDUSTRIES TO PREVENT AND DISRUPT HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

   [polarisproject.org/sites/default/files/A%20Roadmap](polarisproject.org/sites/default/files/A%20Roadmap)

5. **THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING LEGAL CENTER**

   Publishes excellent reports and fact sheets that can be found at [http://www.htlegalcenter.org/](http://www.htlegalcenter.org/). Some recent reports include:


   2) Human Trafficking and Health Care Professionals Fact Sheet: [www.htlegalcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/Medical-Fact-Sheet-Human-Trafficking](www.htlegalcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/Medical-Fact-Sheet-Human-Trafficking)


6. **UNDERSTANDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN IOWA**

   Report from the Iowa Attorney General’s Office, Crime Victims Assistance Division, April 2017: [iowaattorneygeneral.gov/media/documents/Understanding_Human_Trafficking](iowaattorneygeneral.gov/media/documents/Understanding_Human_Trafficking)

7. **U.S. STATE DEPT. ANNUAL (June 2019) TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS REPORT**

8. **VERA INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE**

The Vera Institute has developed a Trafficking Victim Identification Tool and Guide which gives victim service providers, law enforcement, legal, healthcare, and social service providers a standard means of identifying victims of human trafficking and a tool for building trust and maintaining confidentiality. This guide can be found at: www.vera.org/publications/out-of-the-shadows-identification-of-victims

XIII. DOCUMENTARIES

1. **ANY KID ANYWHERE**

   *Any Kid Anywhere: Iowa Sex Trafficking Survivor Stories* is an excellent DVD produced and distributed by Braking Traffik. The NAHT also loans out copies of the DVD. This is a short, but effective, 17 minute interview with three Iowa female survivors who were lured into sex trafficking while in their teens. Anyone who doubts that Iowa youth are being trafficked needs to watch this DVD. The true accounts of survival send a message of hope and provide a sobering cautionary tale that may help other Iowa youth avoid victimization. If you wish to borrow the DVD from the Iowa NAHT, please submit your request to administrator@iowanaht.org.

2. **A PATH APPEARS**

   The Department of Justice estimates that there are 300,000 children at risk of being trafficked into sexual slavery in the U.S. In the first episode of *A Path Appears*, we meet the survivors behind these numbers. This PBS documentary can be found at http://www.pbs.org/independentlens/films/path-appears/.

3. **CHOSEN**

   Learn the shocking true story of two teen girls tricked by traffickers. Brianna, 18, was a star student, cheerleader and waitress eager to break out of her small town to attend college in the big city. Lacy, 13, enjoyed church and school but struggled to help care for her siblings while her stepfather was deployed and mother worked to support the family. Brianna and Lacy share how traffickers used manipulation to lure them into the world of sex trafficking. Link here.

4. **GRIDSHOCK**

   *Gridshock* is a documentary exposing the hidden and disturbing reality behind sex trafficking in Iowa and the often-overlooked reality about why the industry thrives—because there is a demand for it. Vanessa McNeal’s film features survivors of sex trafficking, local and federal law enforcement, advocates, politicians, and a recovering sex addict. What you think you know about sex trafficking will be challenged. Gridshock
is now available online everywhere! Get your copy at vanessamcneal.com/gridshock. This is the fourth, and most recent film by filmmaker Vanessa McNeal. Donations of $45,000 funded this 55 minute film. Vanessa recently received the 2019 Outstanding Human Trafficking Service Award from the Iowa Network Against Human Trafficking and Slavery. The award was presented by Governor Kim Reynolds on January 17, 2019 on behalf of the Iowa NAHT.

5. **I AM JANE DOE**
   This documentary follows the journey of young survivors who were advertised on Backpage.com as their families engage in a legal battle not only with Backpage but with judges, special interest groups, and Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act, an internet freedom law that provides a safe haven for website publishers to advertise underage girls for sex.

6. **I AM STILL HERE**
   This is an unvarnished and grim look at the world of sex trafficking. This film is a fictional description of one young girl’s experience. The producers interviewed many different trafficking victims and the main character in the film, Layla, is a composite of those victims. *I Am Still Here* is available on Amazon Prime.

7. **INSIDE THE HIDDEN REALITY OF LABOR TRAFFICKING IN AMERICA**
   Can be found on PBS at www.pbs.org/wgbh/frontline/article/inside-the-hidden-reality.

8. **JUST MERCY**
   We can’t change the world with only ideas in our minds; we need conviction in our hearts to fight trafficking. Hopelessness is the enemy of justice. *Just Mercy* can be found on Netflix and Amazon Prime.

9. **NEFARIOUS: MERCHANT OF SOULS**
   *Nefarious* exposes the nightmare of sex slavery as experienced by hundreds of thousands daily, through the eyes of both the enslaved and their traffickers. *Nefarious* features expert analysis from international humanitarian leaders, and captures the gripping and triumphant testimonies of survivors in order to galvanize hope and vision.

10. **NOT MY LIFE**
    Filmed on five continents, in a dozen countries, *Not My Life* takes viewers into a world where millions of children are exploited, every day, through and astonishing array of practices including forced labor, domestic servitude, begging, sex tourism, sexual violence, and child soldiering.

11. **TRICKED**
Meet the pimps, the johns, the police, the parents, and the victims of America’s thriving sex trade in *Tricked*, a comprehensive documentary that uncovers America’s dirty secret.

12. OTHER DOCUMENTARIES

*Caged No More, Finding Home, Your Photo Fate* on YouTube by Zhao, Braking Traffik’s *Any Kid Anywhere* ([https://vimeo.com/147555481](https://vimeo.com/147555481)).

XIV. BOOKS

1. INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR ACTION: TO IMPLEMENT THE TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS PROTOCOL BY THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE ON DRUGS AND CRIME

This 70-page book in PDF format serves as a guide to fight human trafficking. The Table of Contents contains the Guiding Principles passed by the UN and sections such as prosecution, protection/assistance, prevention, national coordination/cooperation, and international coordination/cooperation. Link: [https://www.unodc.org/documents/human-trafficking/Framework_for_Action_TIP.pdf](https://www.unodc.org/documents/human-trafficking/Framework_for_Action_TIP.pdf)

2. GIRLS LIKE US: FIGHTING FOR A WORLD WHERE GIRLS ARE NOT FOR SALE: A MEMOIR

By Rachel Lloyd. "Rachel Lloyd's riveting survivor story is the true tale of her hard-won escape from the commercial sex industry and her bold founding of GEMS, New York City's Girls Education and Mentoring Service, to help countless other young girls escape 'the life'" - Amazon.

3. LIBERTAS: A CALL TO FIGHT MODERN SLAVERY

*Libertas* is a 361-page educational tool which delivers innovative ways to fight modern slavery. This book promotes systematic prevention strategies with work plans and educational programs that can be used with school-aged children. The book believes that education can play a key role in the eradication of modern slavery. These programs have already been implemented in schools, corporations, and prisons.

4. PAID FOR—MY JOURNEY THROUGH PROSTITUTION

By Rachel Moran, a woman who became homeless at age 14. She was driven into prostitution to survive. Moran writes about the psychological damage and estrangement from one’s body that is experienced as a result of sex trafficking. She did not escape until age 22.

5. RENTING LACY: A STORY OF AMERICA’S PROSTITUTED CHILDREN

By Linda Smith and Cindy Coloma. "...Author Linda Smith brings to life characters based on real stories and interviews with teen survivors. Meet *Lacy* and *Star* as they reveal the
underbelly of our country’s commercial sex trade. Get to know the men who sell them, and the ones who buy them. Let Renting Lacy draw you into the lives of these young girls as they struggle to survive each night, watching their childhood hopes and dreams slip away in the darkness..." - Amazon.

6. THE BOYS IN THE BUNKHOUSE
By Dan Barry. In 2009 in Atalissa, Iowa, a group of mentally disabled men were labor trafficked in a turkey processing plant. In 2013, a jury awarded the victims 240 million dollars as a result of the charges brought against Henry’s Turkey Service.

7. THE GIRL BEFORE
By Rena Olsen, an Iowa author. "In this powerful psychological suspense debut, when a woman's life is shattered, she is faced with a devastating question: What if everything she thought was normal and good and true... wasn't?" - Amazon.

8. WALKING PREY: HOW AMERICA’S YOUTH ARE VULNERABLE TO SEX SLAVERY
By Holly Austin Smith. "In Walking Prey, advocate and former victim Holly Austin Smith shows how middle class suburban communities are fast becoming the new epicenter of sex trafficking in America. Smith speaks from experience: Without consistent positive guidance or engagement, Holly was ripe for exploitation at age fourteen. A chance encounter with an older man led her to run away from home, and she soon found herself on the streets of Atlantic City" - Amazon.

9. OTHER BOOKS
The White Umbrella by Mary Frances Bowely, The Natashas and the Johns, by Victor Malarek, Your Brain on Porn by Gary Wilson, Stretched Beyond Measure—When the Angels Were Crying by Dorsey Jones.

XV. SCHOOL CURRICULA
Educators often have very specific expectations for their curriculum development, and it varies according to the age of the students and the type of educational institution involved. The curriculum goals may be focused on prevention, identification, intervention, or treatment. Generally, schools will want to be able to identify the reasons for the training, and then identify the curriculum goals and the content of the teaching. Several other states have developed robust curricula, either independently focused on schools or jointly developed with other organizations. If the teachers in Iowa don’t want to reinvent the wheel in developing their own curricula, here are some suggestions from other states:

1. 3 STRANDS GLOBAL
Protect with a philosophy. “An educated child is a protected child.”
www.protectnow.org/protect-3/training-and-curriculum/
2. **BORN 2 FLY INTERNATIONAL**
   They have courses and curriculum that can be downloaded free. Willing to translate into other languages.
   [https://born2fly.org/our-curriculums](https://born2fly.org/our-curriculums)

3. **BOSTON FOUNDATION - MY LIFE MY CHOICE - A DIVISION OF JUSTICE RESOURCE INSTITUTE**
   Program: [https://jri.org/training/finder/mlmc-curriculum](https://jri.org/training/finder/mlmc-curriculum) &
   [https://jri.org/training/finder/child-exploitation](https://jri.org/training/finder/child-exploitation)

4. **FREDERICK DOUGLASS FAMILY INITIATIVES**

5. **FREE THE SLAVES**
   Lists quite a number of universities and high schools participating in a student awareness program.
   [https://www.freetheslaves.net/take-action/students-ending-slavery/](https://www.freetheslaves.net/take-action/students-ending-slavery/)

6. **FREEDOM UNITED (FREEDOM UNIVERSITY)**
   [https://www.freedomunited.org/freedom-university/](https://www.freedomunited.org/freedom-university/)

7. **JUST ASK**
   The Just Ask Prevention Project works to educate youth and adults about the signs of human trafficking to keep our teenagers safe. We Educate. We Prevent. We Intervene. Materials available in French, Spanish, Dutch as well as English.
   [https://justaskprevention.org/](https://justaskprevention.org/)

8. **LOVE146 PREVENTION EDUCATION**
   A video, curriculum, and topics covered can be seen here:
   [www.love146.org/notanumber](http://www.love146.org/notanumber)

9. **OHIO HIGH SCHOOL - HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM**
   [https://docplayer.net/10618958-Human-trafficking-is-the-modern-day-slave-trade-a-high-school-curriculum.html](https://docplayer.net/10618958-Human-trafficking-is-the-modern-day-slave-trade-a-high-school-curriculum.html)

10. **STATE OF FLORIDA**
    Provides a website with links to resources focused on educators:
11. **STATE OF OHIO**
Includes youth program development guidance: [www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov](http://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov)

12. **TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY**
Focused on trafficking, with links to other sources online:
[tea.texas.gov/About_TEA/Other_Services/Human_Trafficking](http://tea.texas.gov/About_TEA/Other_Services/Human_Trafficking)

13. **UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS**
Has an excellent resource list of curricula (with lesson plans) that have already been developed: [crees.ku.edu/sites/crees.ku.edu/files/docs/Trafficking%20Resources](http://crees.ku.edu/sites/crees.ku.edu/files/docs/Trafficking%20Resources)

14. **UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA**
Led a study focused on awareness: [unmc.edu/publichealth/Trafficking-Report-final.pdf](http://unmc.edu/publichealth/Trafficking-Report-final.pdf)

15. **US AID POTENTIAL TO HELP - FUNDING SUPPORT - AND MATERIAL**
“Foreign assistance targets both sex trafficking and labour trafficking through implementation of the "3P" paradigm of Prevention (including demand reduction), Protection of victims, and Prosecution of traffickers. A fourth P, Partnership, is also a critical element in the majority of our programs.”
[https://iomx.iom.int/about](https://iomx.iom.int/about)
[https://iomx.iom.int/resources?f%5B0%5D=theme%3A1](https://iomx.iom.int/resources?f%5B0%5D=theme%3A1)

16. **US DEPARTMENT OF LABOR PROJECT**
### XVI. CITY, COUNTY, AND REGIONAL COALITIONS IN IOWA

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