

Iowa Network Against Human Trafficking and Slavery

Anti-Trafficking Resource Directory

I. CRISIS LINES

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

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

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

IOWA NETWORK AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING:

Dr. George Belitsos, Board Chair

Website: www.iowanaht.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/iowanaht

Email: gbelitsos55@gmail.com

STATEWIDE HUMAN TRAFFICKING COORDINATOR:

within the Attorney General’s Office, Gretchen Brown-Waech

Email: gretchen.brown-waech@ag.iowa.gov

Phone: **(515)281-5044**

OFFICE TO COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING:

within the Iowa Department of Public Safety

Terry Cowman, Human Trafficking Coordinator

Email: cowman@dps.state.ia.us

Phone: **(515)725-6037**

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & TRUCKERS AGAINST TRAFFICKING:

For an Iowa DOT map showing locations of survivor services, visit <https://iowadot.gov/endslavery>. For more information about the work of Truckers Against Trafficking, go to their website at <http://truckersagainstrafficking.org/state-based-initiatives/>

Contact information:

Chief Dave Lorenzen

Phone: **(515)237-3215**

Email: david.lorenzen@iowadot.us

III. IOWA SURVIVOR RESTORATION SERVICES

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

1. **BRAKING TRAFFIK/FAMILY RESOURCES - Headquartered in Davenport, Iowa:** Provides comprehensive services to victims of both labor and sex trafficking covering Region 6 (SE Iowa) of the crime victim's area map.

Contact information:

Alyce Egan

Phone: **(563)468-2384**

Helpline: **(866)921-3354**

Address: 2800 Eastern Ave, Davenport, Iowa 52803

Service Description: Braking Traffik/Family Resources 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.

Braking Traffik/Family Resources provides mobile advocacy and can go to where the victims are located – primarily serving victims in Clinton, Jackson, Louisa, Muscatine and Scott Counties, but will consider referrals from anywhere in eastern Iowa.

2. **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 will be opening a location in Postville Iowa by December 2016. The agency also provides mobile advocacy and goes to where the victims are located – primarily serving victims in Allamakee,

Benton, Black Hawk, Bremer, Buchanan, Chickasaw, Clayton, Delaware, Dubuque, Fayette, Howard, Jones, Linn and Winneshiek counties.

- 3. 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

Phone: **641-423-0490**

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 Butler, Cerro Gordo, Floyd, Franklin, Grundy, Hamilton, Hancock, Hardin, Humboldt, Kossuth, Mitchell, Webster, Winnebago, Worth and Wright Counties.

- 4. 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

Phone: **(515)883-2379**

Email: amitchell@yss.org

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). On August 10th, 2016, IHYC opened up 9 new emergency beds for non-system street and homeless youth ages 16 to 21. Eligible clients are victims of crime including human trafficking survivors. This new Youth Opportunity Center is located at 612 Locust in the heart of downtown Des Moines. The center also provides a daily meal site, mobile 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.

- 5. YOUTH AND SHELTER SERVICES (AKA Youth Standing Strong or YSS) - headquartered in Ames, Iowa:** Provides sex trafficking prevention, awareness, diversion

and residential services. Identifies vulnerable youth through referral and self-disclosure and assists and ensures that young victims are safe and diverted from further exploitation.

Contact information:

Ruth Buckles

Phone: **(515)233-3141**

Cell Phone: **(515)460-4802**

Website: www.yss.org

Address: 420 Kellogg Avenue, Ames, Iowa 50010

Service Description: The YSS human trafficking project is focused on child and youth victim identification and referral to existing YSS, IHYC, and other appropriate child welfare services. YSS provides emergency shelter for sex trafficked youth ages 12 to 17 in Ames and Mason City and restoration/transitional living services for those 18 to 21 for a maximum of 24 months. Teens Against Human Trafficking and Iowa Foster Care Youth Councils are the central education, information, and advocacy components. YSS includes prevention and awareness programming for youth, parents, and community groups. The YSS plan is to establish Teens Against Human Trafficking chapters in 135 schools in 45 counties by the end of 2020. Aside from its headquarters in Ames, YSS has facilities in 28 other locations throughout Iowa.

6. STATEWIDE CRISIS LINE: (800)770-1650

This “violent crimes” crisis line is available for victims and survivors of any violent crime including labor and sex trafficking. The crisis line will connect the victim to direct service providers. The statewide crisis line is a place for community members, providers and victims to get information about options for assistance.

Sherry Kastein is the Executive Director of Family Crisis Centers which operates the statewide crisis line. Three years ago the main domestic abuse statewide hotline was housed in Des Moines with Children and Families of Iowa. The new and expanded Statewide hotline is now located in Sioux Center and operated by Family Crisis Centers. This 800 number is state VOCA funded to take on human trafficking, homicide and other violent crimes including domestic abuse. They are trained to respond to all kinds of victims-of-crime calls.

IV. IOWA SURVIVOR RESTORATION SERVICES

(not funded by Iowa Crime Victim Assistance Division)

- 1. DOROTHY'S HOUSE:** a safe house providing 24/7 restoration support for the healing of female adult survivors of sex trafficking located in Des Moines Iowa. On April 9th, 2018, DHS granted Dorothy's House a Juvenile facility license to serve girls ages 14 through 17 who are survivors of trafficking and sexual exploration. Statewide referrals accepted.

Contact information

Kellie Markey, Founder & Executive Director

Phone: **(515)306-5580**

Email: kelliem@dorothyshouse.org.

Website: www.dorothyshouse.org

- 2. WINGS OF REFUGE:** a safe house providing 24/7 restoration support for healing female adult survivors of sex trafficking. This is a faith-based and supported agency. Statewide referrals accepted.

Contact information:

Joy M. Fopma, Founder & Development Director

Email: wingsofrefuge.ia@gmail.com

Twitter: @for1moregirl

Facebook: www.facebook.com/wingsofrefuge.ia

Website: www.wingsofrefuge.net

Address: P.O. Box 562, Iowa Falls, Iowa 50126

- 3. SIouxLAND RESTORATION CENTER (opening 2019):**

The Siouland Restoration Center will soon open the Lila Mae House for survivors of sex trafficking. A large house and property has been donated and is in the process of being readied to receive 7 women survivors of sex trafficking.

Franciscan Sister and instructor at Briar Cliff College, Shirley Fineran, is leading this western Iowa project and makes the following description of the new program:

“Where does a woman go once she has been trafficked and been left for dead? Please join the critical need to provide a home and therapeutic healing for adult women who have been sex trafficked. The Siouland Restoration Center’s mission is to develop Lila Mae’s House to help women survivors live the rest of their lives the best they can with what they have experienced.”

Contact Information:

Shirley Fineran, Franciscan Sister and Instructor at Briar Cliff College

Phone: **(712)899-6211**

Address: PO Box 1281, Sioux City, IA 51102

Email: restorationcentersxland@gmail.com

- 4. 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. Mostly what they provide is a judgement free opportunity to be heard and advice on options should a victim seek a new lifestyle. Set Free does not itself provide shelter or longer-term restorative

residential services, but does make referrals.

Contact Information:

Suzanne Wright, Executive Director

Email: executivedirector@setfreedubuque.org

Website: setfreedubuque.wordpress.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/setfreedubuque

Phone: (563)451-7914

5. **CHAINS INTERRUPTED**: a 501(c)3 non profit that provides the following services (see our website for further details):
- **Speaker's Bureau**: We provide trained speakers to present on various topics of human trafficking for your organization, business, church, group, school or private gathering. Specific projects include prevention education in Schools, the Hotel/Motel Project, and training Medical Personnel. Please see the "Request a Speaker" form on our website.
 - **Coalition**: Currently a group of over 100 organizations, businesses, churches and individuals who gather quarterly for education, networking and building an action plan for front-line personnel.
 - **"Stop the Demand Project"**: Stopping the demand for trafficked persons is likely *the most important* way to stop Human Trafficking. We partner with an organization that seeks to educate the public on the direct link between pornography and human trafficking, as well as provide services and support for those addicted.
 - **Survivor Support**: We offer a variety of support services, including short-term physical needs (housing, transportation, referrals, etc.), as well as a survivor-led support group that meets weekly. Contact Teresa at Teresa@ChainsInterrupted.com for more information.
 - **Missions**: Chains Interrupted has local, national and international mission projects. Partnering with the IMPACTO Ministries and the Protect Me Project, we work in Guatemala in 1) Prevention education, 2) Restoration work, and 3) Providing respectable jobs for women.

Contact Information:

Email – info@chainsinterrupted.com

Website - www.chainsinterrupted.com

Facebook - www.facebook.com/chainsinterrupted

Office Phone – 319-369-4415

Emergency number - 319-536-2027

Address - P.O. Box 583 Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406

6. **GARDEN GATE RANCH (opening 2019)**: This restoration center plans to open somewhere in central Iowa in late 2019. This faith-based program has a full-time development director, Lauren Gildersleve. They also have a Community Development Coordinator and a Development Assistant and bookkeeper as well as many dedicated volunteers. Garden Gate Ranch is a 501(c)(3) Christian organization with a strong board of directors. The founder and driving force of the organization is Brenda Long. Garden

Gate Ranch held its 1st annual spring fundraising GALA on April 21st 2018 and raised over \$200,000. Nearly 550 primarily from the Central Iowa churches attended this benefit GALA event. Their goal is to raise one year of operating funds of \$350,000 and to open a rescue shelter and a restoration home in rural Polk County. Phase #1 is the "Pathway House" and will be Iowa's first of its kind immediate rescue shelter for women 18 and over serving women with or without children.

Contact Information:

Brenda Long, Founder & Executive Director

Phone: **(515)556-2588**

Email: brendalong515@gmail.com

Lauren Gildersleeve, Development Director

Phone: **(641)521-7860**

Email: lauren@gardengateranch.com

Website: www.gardengateranch.com.

7. **Freedom House Ministries (opening 2019):** Long term Restoration Home for girls 12-17 years of age who are survivors of sex trafficking. Plans are to open the faith-based program in the Pella area in 2019.

Contact Information:

Jennifer Attema, Founder & Executive Director

Website: freedomhouseministry.org

Email: freedomhouse17@gmail.com

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

(The first four agencies are funded by the Iowa Crime Victim Assistance Division to serve victims of all violent crimes, including survivors of human trafficking. They are a great resource for survivors of trafficking facing 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 not funded by the Iowa Crime Victim Division. The last resource is an attorney serving Chinese survivors of sex and labor trafficking.)

1. **MONSOON ASIANS & PACIFIC ISLANDERS IN SOLIDARITY:** Monsoon Asians & Pacific Islanders in Solidarity (formerly, Monsoon United Asian Women of Iowa) serves victims/survivors of sex and labor trafficking, domestic violence, and sexual assault in Asian and Pacific Islander (API) communities in Iowa. The organization serves all 99 counties in Iowa. Monsoon's programs include direct services, community outreach and education, violence prevention and technical assistance. Monsoon has two offices: in Des Moines and in Iowa City. The organization's staff is composed of the executive director, the assistant director, five advocates, four interns and several on-call advocates. All staff members are multilingual and together speak 14 languages. Monsoon's services are free and confidential.

Contact Information:

Mira Yousef, Executive Director

Website: <http://monsooniowa.org/>
Des Moines Office: (515)288-0881
Iowa City Office: (319)466-9000
Helpline: (866)881-4641

- 2. NISAA AFRICAN FAMILY SERVICES:** NISAA African Family Service's mission is to end sex and labor trafficking, domestic violence, and sexual assault in African Immigrants and Refugee communities by promoting social, economic and political self-determination of all women; it seeks to build healthy communities through transformative justice and social change.

Contact Information:

Hibo Jama, Executive Director
Website: <http://nisaa-afs.org/>
Des Moines Office: (515)255-5430
Iowa City Office: (319)338-7617
Helpline: (866)881-4641

- 3. L.U.N.A. (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 L.U.N.A. are knowledgeable on the barriers that Latino survivors face including legal status, language, and lack of resources. L.U.N.A. 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.

Contact Information:

Melissa Cano-Zelaya, Executive Director
Website: <http://lunaiowa.org/index.php/en/home-page/>
Des Moines Office: (515)271-5060
Marshalltown Office: (319)242-7536
Helpline: (866)256-7668

- 4. DEAF IOWANS AGAINST ABUSE:** This organization's mission is to cultivate a safe, informed and empowered community for deaf individuals and those with any type of hearing loss, by providing culturally competent and fully accessible services, advocacy and education.

Contact Information:

Jennifer, Executive Director
Director Phone: (319)531-7717
Website: <https://diaaiowa.org/>
Helpline: (319)531-7719

5. **U.S. COMMITTEE FOR REFUGEES AND IMMIGRANTS:**

This organization serves refugees and immigrants statewide with a vast array of services. They also serve both labor and sex-trafficked immigrants and refugees.

Contact Information:

Carly Ross, Director

Phone: **(515)528-7525 Ext. 2510**

Website: refugees.org/desmoines

Email: cross@uscri-desmoines.org

Address: 1200 University Avenue, Suite 205, Des Moines, IA 50314

6. **CAUSEY & YE LAW:** With offices in Des Moines, Iowa City, and Ames, this law firm has expertise representing Chinese-speaking defendants who are victims of human trafficking. The firm is recognized for its immigration services.

Contact Information:

Phone: **(515)381-0168**

Website: causeyyelawinternational.com

Email: yang@causeyyelawinternational.com

Address: 2213 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50312

VI. IOWA DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE AGENCIES & ADULT SHELTERS

(funded by the Iowa Crime Victims Assistance Division of the Iowa Attorney General's Office)

There are nine domestic abuse service agencies that are also funded to assist victims of human trafficking. The following is a link to a detailed description of each agency, county served, and contact information:

https://www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov/media/cms/DACShelterSAC_SFY2017_Map_Final_FFBBC7A97A908.pdf

VII. PREVENTION AND EDUCATION HUMAN TRAFFICKING PROJECTS

(funded by VOCA)

1. **Braking Traffik/Family Resources:** Statewide PSA Initiative got underway in August of 2016 for Prevention and Awareness Train the Trainer Project and statewide public service announcements.
2. **Sioux County Attorney's Office - Orange City:** Planning to hold a Law Enforcement Human Trafficking Conference.
3. **University of Iowa:** Statewide conference plans for providers of direct service to the victims of sex and labor trafficking.
4. **Teens Against Human Trafficking:** Statewide school-board education and intervention project (see YSS).

Contact Information:

Ruth Buckels
Phone: (515)460-4802
Website: www.letsgetangry.org

Programs funded in 2018:

1. **FAMILY RESOURCES – BRAKING TRAFFIK - Davenport:**
Funded to work with Justice for Our Neighbors to focus on labor trafficking outreach

Contact information:
Alyce Egan
Phone: (563)468-2383

2. **YOUTH SHELTER SERVICES - Ames:**
Funded for a Community Educator doing prevention curriculum in schools

Contact Information:
Ruth Buckels
Phone: (515)233-2250

3. **RAPE VICTIM ADVOCACY PROGRAM - Iowa City:**
Funded for creation and dissemination of bilingual social media video advertisement strategy targeting Iowa's Latinx communities regarding human trafficking.

Contact information:
Adam Robinson
Phone: (319)335-6001

4. **WINGS OF REFUGE - Iowa Falls:**
Funded for printed educational materials for the year including informational handouts, posters, and training manuals.

Contact information:
Bev Shipley
Phone: (641)640-1327

5. **MESKWAKI SETTLEMENT -Tama:**
Funded for fees and travel for external consultants to develop a strategic plan focused on human trafficking.

Contact information:
Mylene Wanate, Director
Phone: (641)484-4444

6. **IOWA SAFE SCHOOLS - Statewide:**
Funded for creation and dissemination of a social media campaign advertising human trafficking awareness through Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram;

Costs for creation of campaign to focus on increasing visibility of the issue of human trafficking creating awareness about educational events, and engaging lowans to sign up for more information regarding human trafficking;
Costs for creation of specialized Pride Packs to be handed out at Iowa Pride Events that focus on human trafficking.

Contact Information:

Nate Monson
Phone: **(515)729-4121**

7. **BLANK CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER - Des Moines:**

Funded for travel/training and database creation to track at-risk kids making contact with members of the MDT team showing human trafficking indicators.

Contact Information:

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

8. **IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & TRUCKERS AGAINST TRAFFICKING:**

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VIII. IOWA and NATIONAL RESOURCES

1. **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 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.

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

Contact Information:

Dr. George Belitsos, Chair of the Board of Directors

Email: gbelitsos55@gmail.com

Website: www.iowaah.org/

Facebook: facebook.com/iowaNAHT

2. **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 offsite training upon request to local police and sheriff's departments as well as anti-trafficking community groups.

Contact Information:

Steffani A, Simbric, Instructor

Phone: **(515)725-9609**

Email: steffani.simbric@iowa.gov

Website: www.ileatraining.org

Address: P.O. Box 130, Camp Dodge, Johnston, IA 50131

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Website: www.survivorshelpline.org

6. **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES CHILD ABUSE HOTLINE:**
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Contact Information:
Helpline: **(800)362-2178**

7. **STATEWIDE HUMAN TRAFFICKING COORDINATOR:**
within the Attorney General’s Office, Gretchen Brown-Waech
Email: gretchen.brown-waech@ag.iowa.gov
Phone: **(800)373-5044**

8. **OFFICE TO COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING:**
within the Iowa Department of Public Safety
Terry Cowman, Human Trafficking Coordinator
Email: cowman@dps.state.ia.us
Phone: **(515)725-6037**

9. **POLARIS PROJECT** (www.polarisproject.org): 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 <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/resources>.

10. **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, OFFICE OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS**
(<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/otip/training/nhttac>): 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: <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/otip/training/soar-to-health-and-wellness-training>

A new series is set for spring, 2018. You can pre-register for it at: <https://nhhtac.wufoo.com/forms/p16wbqbh1el5koa/>

They also provide posters and brochures at: <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/otip/partnerships/look-beneath-the-surface>

11. **DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY** (<http://www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign>): 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.
12. **ECPAT INTERNATIONAL** (www.ecptusa.org): A global network of organizations working to End Child Prostitution and child pornography And Trafficking of children for sexual purposes.
13. **SHARED HOPE INTERNATIONAL** (www.sharedhope.org): 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: <http://sharedhope.org/join-the-cause/become-a-defender/resources-for-defenders/>
14. **CEASE NETWORK (CITIES EMPOWERED AGAINST SEXUAL EXPLOITATION)** (www.ceasenetwork.org): A collaboration of 11 pioneering cities committed to combating sex trafficking by reducing the demand for buying sex by 20 percent in two years.
15. **NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN** (<http://www.missingkids.com/theissues/cse/cstt>): The nation's clearinghouse and comprehensive reporting center for missing children and issues related to the prevention of and recovery from child victimization.

Internet Safety Programs:

www.netSmartz.org

www.netSmartzkids.org

June is Internet Safety Month.

16. **PROTECT ME PROJECT** (www.protectmeproject.org): Works at preventing sex trafficking in North and South America. Training materials are available.
17. **HOTEL AND 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.
18. **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

19. **ROTARY ACTION GROUP AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND SLAVERY**: Raises awareness that millions are held captive and illegally forced to work for commercial gain. The organization encourages its members to participate in projects which help to protect everybody from slavery and its consequences. Its leaders are Rotarians in Australia, Egypt, India, Pakistan, Italy, New Zealand, South Africa, The Philippines, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

Contact Information:

Mark Little, Chairman

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20. **THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING LEGAL CENTER - Headquartered in Washington, D.C.:** 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.

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21. **HOPE FOR JUSTICE - 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.

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22. **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.

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IX. BUSINESS, INDUSTRY, AND PROFESSIONS

1. **TRUCKERS AGAINST TRAFFICKING (TAT)** (www.truckersagainsttrafficking.org): 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.
2. **TOURISM CHILD PROTECTION CODE OF CONDUCT (The Code of Conduct for the Protection of Children from Sexual Exploitation in Travel and Tourism)** (www.thecode.org) (www.ecpatusa.org/code): For articles on what the hospitality industry is doing to fight human trafficking, search for “human trafficking” at: <http://www.travelweekly.com>
- The Role of Hospitality in Preventing and Reacting to Child Trafficking** (www.ahlei.org/demos/ecpat/index.html) is an online training program for people involved in the hospitality industry.
3. **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR’S BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (ILAB)** (www.dol.gov/agencies/ilab/our-work/child-forced-labor-trafficking): 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/
4. **HEALTH, EDUCATION, ADVOCACY, LINKAGE (HEAL)** (<https://healtrafficking.org>): Provides information and resources (including a protocol toolkit) for medical personnel.

X. ANTI-TRAFFICKING SPECIAL PROJECTS

1. **IOWA NAHT HOTEL/MOTEL 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.
2. **RED SAND PROJECT** (<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.
3. **S.O.A.P. (SAVE OUR ADOLESCENTS FROM PROSTITUTION)** (www.soaproject.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.
4. **THE BREAK THE CYCLE BIKE RIDE** (www.breakthecycle200.com): Held annually in Iowa and raises funds to fight human trafficking. Last year, the 200 mile one day bike ride raised nearly \$100,000.
5. **IOWA NAHT ANTI-SEX TRAFFICKING MESSAGE 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.
6. **FREEDOM STICKERS**: The Iowa NAHT is partnering with the national nonprofit In Our Backyard to distribute Freedom Stickers statewide with the National Human Trafficking Hotline number. The stickers will primarily be placed in convenience stores, transportation centers, hotels, truck stops, etc., always with the permission of the management. To volunteer for training and then distribution of the Freedom Stickers, contact the Iowa NAHT at gbelitsos55@gmail.com.

XI. ANTI-LABOR TRAFFICKING PRODUCTS

1. www.slaveryfootprint.org: Shows some of the things you may own that have been produced by forced labor.
2. **SERRV INTERNATIONAL** (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).

3. **THE HUMAN THREAD CAMPAIGN** (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.
4. **FREESSET GLOBAL** (www.freesetglobal.com): A fair trade organization whose craftspeople are survivors of sex trafficking. They make jute bags and organic cotton tee shirts.
5. **THISTLE FARMS** (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.
6. **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR'S BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (ILAB)** (www.dol.gov/ilab/reports/pdf/TVPRA_Report2014.pdf): Provides a List of "Goods Produced by Child Labor or Forced Labor."
7. **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 scarfs which are sold in Iowa through Beza Threads.

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XII. FAITH COMMUNITIES-NATIONAL

1. **UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS (USCCB) Office of Migration and Refugee Services (MRS)** (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.
2. **U.S. SISTERS AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING** (www.sistersagainstrafficking.org): 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.
3. **ELCA CHURCHES** (www.elca.org/our-work/publicly-engaged-church/)

[justice-for-women/social-issues/human-trafficking](#)): 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/Justice-for-Women#Humantrafficking>, which includes, among other things, a six session Lenten Bible Study on Trafficking and a seven session program designed for young people.

4. **UNITED METHODIST WOMEN** (<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/human-trafficking>)

Have several resources for downloading.

5. **PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** (www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/human-trafficking): Has resources, including “Seven Days of Prayer and Action to End Human Trafficking” and a Red Hand Project addressing the problem of Child Soldiers.

6. **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.

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XIII. IOWA AND NATIONAL REPORTS

1. **UNDERSTANDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN IOWA**: Report from the Iowa Attorney General’s Office of Crime Victims Assistance Division , April 2017:

https://admin.iowaattorneygeneral.gov/media/cms/Understanding_Human_Trafficking_in_6BCA41F996861.pdf

2. **ATTORNEY GENERAL'S IOWA HUMAN TRAFFICKING NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

http://www.iowaathorneygeneral.gov/media/cms/Understanding_Human_Trafficking_in_6BCA41F996861.pdf

3. **IOWA DEPT. OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE TO COMBAT HUMAN**

TRAFFICKING: has issued its 2017 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/864660.pdf>

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

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

<https://iowanah.org/wp-content/uploads/The-State-of-Support-Final.pdf>

5. **U.S. STATE DEPT. ANNUAL (June) TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS REPORT:**
<https://www.state.gov/j/tip/rls/tiprpt/2018/>
6. **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF POLARIS PROJECT'S REPORT ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN ILLICIT MESSAGE BUSINESSES:**
<https://polarisproject.org/sites/default/files/Executive%20Summary%20-%20Human%20Trafficking%20in%20Illicit%20Message%20Businesses.pdf>
7. **VERA INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE:** 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-of-human-trafficking
8. **THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING LEGAL CENTER:** Publishes excellent reports and fact sheets that can be found at <http://www.htlegalcenter.org/>. Some recent reports include:
 - 1) Domestic Violence and Trafficking Fact Sheet:
<http://www.htlegalcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/Human-Trafficking-and-Domestic-Violence-Fact-Sheet.pdf>
 - 2) Human Trafficking and Health Care Professionals Fact Sheet:
<http://www.htlegalcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/Medical-Fact-Sheet-Human-Trafficking-and-Health-Care-Providers.pdf>
 - 3) Trafficking of Persons with Disabilities Fact Sheet:
<http://www.htlegalcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/Trafficking-of-Persons-with-Disabilities-in-the-United-States-Fact-Sheet.pdf>
 - 4) Mandatory Restitution and Human Trafficking:
<http://www.htlegalcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/mandatory.pdf>
9. **ON-RAMPS, INTERSECTIONS, AND EXIT ROUTES: A ROADMAP FOR SYSTEMS AND INDUSTRIES TO PREVENT AND DISRUPT HUMAN TRAFFICKING:**
<https://polarisproject.org/sites/default/files/A%20Roadmap%20for%20Systems%20and%20Industries%20to%20Prevent%20and%20Disrupt%20Human%20Trafficking%20-%20Hotels%20and%20Motels.pdf>

XIV. DOCUMENTARIES

1. **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/>.

2. **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.
3. **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.
4. **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 an astonishing array of practices including forced labor, domestic servitude, begging, sex tourism, sexual violence, and child soldiering.
5. **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.
6. **Inside the Reality of Labor Trafficking in America**: Can be found on PBS at <https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/frontline/article/inside-the-hidden-reality-of-labor-trafficking-in-america/>.
7. **Other Documentaries**: *Caged No More*, *Finding Home*, *Your Photo Fate* on YouTube by Zhao, *Braking Traffik's Any Kid Anywhere* (<https://vimeo.com/147555481>).

XV. BOOKS

1. **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.
2. **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.
3. **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.

4. **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.
5. **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.
6. **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.
7. **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.

XVI. 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. **UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA**: Led a study focused on awareness:
<https://www.unmc.edu/publichealth/departments/healthpromotion/facultyandstaff/01-Trafficking-Report-final.pdf>
2. **UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS**: Has an excellent resource list of curricula (with lesson plans) that have already been developed:
<https://crees.ku.edu/sites/crees.ku.edu/files/docs/Trafficking%20Resources%20for%20Educators.pdf>
3. **TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY**: Focused on trafficking, with links to other sources online:
https://tea.texas.gov/About_TEA/Other_Services/Human_Trafficking_of_School-aged_Children/

4. **STATE OF FLORIDA:** Provides a website with links to resources focused on educators:
<http://www.fldoe.org/schools/healthy-schools/human-trafficking.stml>
5. **STATE OF OHIO:** Includes youth program development guidance:
<https://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/Files/Publications-Files/Publications-for-Victims/Human-Trafficking-Prevention-Education-FINAL>
6. **FREDERICK DOUGLASS FAMILY INITIATIVES:** Prevention education curriculum:
<http://www.fdfi.org/human-trafficking-education-curriculum.html>