



NETWORK AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND SLAVERY

CLARIFICATION OF MISSION

AND ACTION STEPS FOR PROMOTING

COLLABORATION AND ACTION STEPS FOR

LEADING IOWA ANTI-TRAFFICKING LEGISLATIVE

EFFORTS

MISSION + ACTION STEPS

Coordinating Iowa's solution to end labor and sex trafficking and modern slavery through coalition building, raising awareness, promoting education, leading legislative efforts, and advocating to end human trafficking in Iowa in all its forms through:

- Provide a platform for collaboration between provider agencies working on sex and labor anti-trafficking efforts.
- Advocating for training for law enforcement and the judicial system.
- Developing a speaker's bureau to connect local speaking requests with knowledgeable and experienced labor and sex trafficking presenters.
- Leading and coordinating Iowa's labor and sex trafficking public policy and legislating efforts.
- Advocating for funding for Survivor service providers.
- Writing a blog post/newsletter at least once each month to inform all subscribers of action step progress, and state, national, and global efforts to combat modern day slavery.
- Recognizing allied groups and survivor service providers through articles and announcements on blog, Facebook, website, and awards.
- Raising statewide public awareness and promoting labor and sex trafficking education and training.
- Recognizing those who have contributed significantly to the fight to end trafficking in Iowa. Presentation of annual Outstanding Anti-Trafficking Service Awards.
- Build and continually update Iowa NAHT website and Facebook page, and other forms of social media.
- Offer volunteer opportunities for those who request.

ACTION STEPS FOR PROVIDING A PLATFORM FOR COLLABORATION:

- Provide a platform for collaboration between provider agencies working on sex and labor anti-trafficking efforts.

- Establish a platform for collaboration between regional coalitions, service providers, and public state agencies.
- Coordinate and share information between regional representatives from Northern, Southern, Eastern, Central, and Western Iowa.
- Collaborate with similar statewide anti-trafficking networks in neighboring states.
- Invite direct service providers to join board meetings in order to share progress and challenges.
- Collaborate with both national and international anti-trafficking organizations.
- Post minutes of board meetings on the network website.
- Encourage local and regional coalitions to share information about their work and progress with the NAHT Board of Directors.
- Recruit and train volunteers who wish to serve and participate in NAHT projects or to be connected with survivor service providers.
- Provide encouragement and support to those who wish to form local community anti-trafficking coalitions including college campus clubs.
- Invite heads of state agencies to board meetings to discuss progress/problems and to consult & advise the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee.
- Maintain a list of NAHT allied organizations and post on the Network website.

ACTION STEPS FOR LEADING IOWA ANTI-TRAFFICKING LEGISLATIVE EFFORTS:

- Solicit legislative ideas from survivors, law enforcement, state agencies, county attorneys, social services, and health care providers.
- Based on information from Network allies, survivor service providers, NAHT board members and regional groups, comprise a list of changes and needs with regards to labor and sex trafficking legislative efforts.
- Research effective labor and sex trafficking legislation in other states pertaining to meeting Iowa's needs and solutions to problems.
- Coordinate and facilitate meetings
 - o Legislative Advocacy Committee meetings in September, October, November, and December of each year to set legislative agenda for the coming session.
 - o Meeting with NAHT Board Members to ask them to contact their Iowa House and Senate representatives to support NAHT's Legislative priorities.
 - o Meeting with select legislators in December and January of each year to propose our legislative agenda.

- o Follow-up meetings as needed throughout the legislative session.
 - o Day on the Hill to promote legislation and increase awareness.
- Advocating for legislative proposals and bills.
- Communicating with lobbyists, legislators, and Governor's office.
- Action Steps for Public Awareness
- Hosting a Human Trafficking Day on the Hill and press conference to build support for labor and sex trafficking legislation and funding.
- Drafting press releases and editorials.
- Drafting and sending out labor and sex trafficking information to the public through social media, e-blasts/blog, and NAHT website.
- Writing a monthly blog post/newsletter.
- Printing and distributing an NAHT brochure.
- Printing and distributing posters, signs, and printed materials.
- Speaking engagements and awareness programs statewide.
- Promoting website awareness and training information
- Information booth for online and in-person events and conferences.
- Hosting an annual online Freedom Summit to update the public on progress being made fighting human trafficking in Iowa.