

REDEFINING JUSTICE

Envisioning New Approaches in Anti-Trafficking Work
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Welcome

On behalf of the Freedom Network USA, and our amazing Conference Co-Chairs Annie Fukushima and Lara Fallon, I am so pleased to welcome you to the 15th Annual Freedom Network USA Conference!

For 16 years, the Freedom Network has been America’s largest network of individuals and organizations working to improve the response to human trafficking in the United States. Our work is deeply rooted in a human rights based approach, which compels us to look more broadly. We must address the context of poverty, discrimination, weak labor protections, and criminalization of communities which creates vulnerabilities that allow human trafficking to thrive.

Our definition of justice, then, must include far more than criminal and civil justice systems. We must broadly consider issues of safety, education, employment, housing, and support for entire families. While direct, immediate care for survivors is critical, we must also collaborate to support policies that create stronger communities, workplaces and families. We must build bridges for marginalized communities, service providers, law enforcement, and faith-based communities.

I look forward to exploring these issues and connections with you over the next two days. I hope that you learn something, challenge something, struggle with something, and laugh at something during the conference. I also hope that you meet new people with whom you can partner on a project, debate an idea, discuss a concept, or share a meal. Tell us all about it on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter using #fnconference. Thank you for joining us!



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Executive Director
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CONFERENCE EXHIBITORS

Premier Exhibitors

Office for Victims of Crime United States Department of Justice

The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), a component of the Office of Justice Programs in the U.S. Department of Justice, is committed to enhancing the Nation's capacity to assist crime victims and to providing leadership in changing attitudes, policies, and practices to promote justice and healing for all victims of crime.

Established in 1988 through an amendment to the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) of 1984, OVC is charged by Congress with administering the Crime Victims Fund (the Fund). Through OVC, the Fund supports a broad array of programs and services that focus on helping victims in the immediate aftermath of crime and continuing to support them as they rebuild their lives.

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Our newest feature is Engage, a ground-breaking client engagement portal for Penelope designed to help your clients connect more deeply with your organization. With Engage, organizations can send documentation and clinical communications directly to clients who can then respond on any device at their own convenience, with the results automatically saved in Penelope.



Exhibitors

The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law

Serving as the hub of academic human rights programming at American University Washington College of Law (AUWCL). It sponsors the largest human rights curriculum at AUWCL through its bilingual (Spanish and English) programs: the LL.M. in International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law and Summer Program of Advanced Studies on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law. The LL.M. is a Hybrid program with both online and residential components, specifically designed for lawyers and human rights advocates. The Summer Program offers 20 courses on specialized topics within the field of Human Rights. Additionally, it hosts the trilingual (Spanish, Portuguese & English) Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition, which has trained 3000+ student and faculty from 310+ universities of 40+ countries on the Inter-American human rights system. Participants in the Summer Program and Moot Court may be lawyers, legal professionals, human rights activists and law students.



Blue Campaign United States Department of Homeland Security

The Blue Campaign is the unified voice for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) efforts to combat human trafficking. Working in collaboration with law enforcement, government, non-governmental and private organizations, the Blue Campaign strives to protect the basic right of freedom and to bring those who exploit human lives to justice.



National Human Trafficking Training and Technical Assistance Center

NHTTAC delivers training and technical assistance (T/TA) to inform and enhance the public health response to human trafficking.

By applying a public health approach, NHTTAC holistically builds the capacity of communities to identify and respond to the complex needs of all survivors of human trafficking and address the root causes that make individuals, families, and communities vulnerable to trafficking. Survivors and those at risk of human trafficking need coordinated and trauma-informed services before, during, and after their trafficking exploitation, regardless of their age, gender, nationality, sexual orientation, or type of exploitation.

Medical and behavioral health practitioners, nonprofits, community- and faith-based organizations, licensed social workers, child welfare professionals, housing authorities, and public health agencies can provide comprehensive and survivor-informed services by building their skills and knowledge with NHTTAC.



Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, United States Department of State

The U.S. Department of State leads the United States' global engagement to combat human trafficking and supports the coordination of anti-trafficking efforts across the U.S. government. Within the Department of State, and under the direction of the Ambassador-at-Large to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons Susan Coppedge, the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons (TIP Office) partners with foreign governments, international organizations, civil society, and the private sector to develop and implement effective strategies for confronting modern slavery. The TIP Office is responsible for bilateral and multilateral diplomacy, targeted foreign assistance, and public engagement on trafficking in persons.



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3:15 pm - 4:45 pm	USCIS Panel	Consequences of Policing Prostitution	Nobody is Temporary: Why Guest Workers are Vulnerable to Exploitation	Public Health and Criminal Justice: Creating Public Health-Informed Response & Prevention
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Redefining Justice: Envisioning New Approaches in Anti-Trafficking Work

“Redefining Justice: Envisioning New Approaches in Anti-Trafficking Work,” the 15th Annual Freedom Network USA Human Trafficking Conference, will utilize a social justice lens to imagine what justice looks like in the anti-trafficking movement. To achieve justice is to talk about inequalities in our society and how injustices can create vulnerabilities to human trafficking and continue to disadvantage trafficking survivors. For the trafficked person, justice might look like the conviction of a trafficker, having access to various benefits, or the development of preventative efforts so that no one else experiences what they went through. What does justice look like to anti-traffickers? Justice might be found through the criminal justice system, the civil legal system, or restitution. Justice may be prevention, may involve looking beyond the legal system, and even be the development of new resources to protect survivors, victims, and potential victims.

"We as humans have rights.
Justice will happen when others
do not have to go through this."

- Human Trafficking Survivor



Wednesday, April 5th

8:45 am | Opening Remarks

9:30 am - 11:00 am | Plenary

Bending Towards Justice

Presenters: Harold D'Souza, Janine Geske, Colleen Owens, Lisa Palumbo and Savannah Sanders

Location: Crystal Ballroom

In recent years, legislation designed to protect survivors of human trafficking has expanded both in the United States and abroad. Research indicates that despite this strengthened legislation, challenges exist in the identification, investigation and prosecution of human trafficking cases across the U.S.. While prosecutors traditionally define success as having secured a conviction against traffickers, research suggests that not all survivors are best served by, nor desire, traditional criminal prosecutions. We currently lack in-depth insight into survivors' perceptions of justice and how they feel the legal system can best serve them. The Urban Institute, in collaboration with the Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago's Immigrants and Workers' Rights Practice Group, the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and Harvard Medical School and School of Public Health, is conducting a study on survivors' perceptions of justice and their experiences with the justice system. Members of the research team will present and discuss their interim results.

11:15 am - 12:30 pm | Breakout Sessions

Collaborative Action: Multi-Disciplinary Approach to Large Group Cases - Lessons Learned

Presenters: Sarah Brenes, Sarah R. Cope, Darci Flynn and Evelyn Melendez

Location: Crystal Ballroom

Four workers were paroled into the U.S. to testify against their trafficker — a farm owner. International Institute of Minnesota was called upon to find housing for the survivors while they were present for the trial. This led to the unveiling of a large labor trafficking case involving 28 other men who were still working on the farm and nearly a hundred more who were scattered throughout the U.S. or had returned to their home country. This case gives "it takes a village" a whole new meaning as the Department of State, Homeland Security, Department of Labor, U.S. Attorney's Office, legal aid and a pro-bono network of attorneys, three NGOs, and a federally funded case management program came together to meet the complex needs of these survivors. The presenters will discuss the processes followed by each player, the challenges, successes, and lessons learned.

Innovative Approaches: Victims' Rights Advocacy

Presenters: Kristy Cho, Erika Gonzalez, Carolyn Kim and Lynette M. Parker

Location: Lincoln Room

Fundamental to the road of recovery for survivors of trafficking is access to victims' rights. When used effectively, these rights can be powerful tools to empower survivors and combat trafficking. These rights may include any combination of safety protections, victim compensation, criminal restitution, and being given a voice throughout the criminal proceedings. Which rights are utilized should be decided upon by each individual informed survivor.

Historically victims' rights have been underutilized tools to help survivors of trafficking access their full potential legal remedies. The panelists will define in detail what victims' rights are, barriers to accessing them, how to successfully access and maintain them, as well as look into the future trajectory of victims' rights. This training is targeted at professionals and law enforcement officers who have had experience working within the criminal justice system and have basic understanding of crime victims' rights.

Yes We Can: Investigate and Prosecute Labor Trafficking Cases

Presenters: Susan French, Martina Vandenberg and Daniel A. Vélez

Location: Washington Room

Successful labor trafficking cases will be dissected to apply lessons learned to develop future labor trafficking cases. Content will focus on obstacles and overcoming them during the investigation and at trial. Presenters will discuss successful labor trafficking cases including details on how the case was identified and challenges developing the case, investigative agencies and partnerships, investigative and prosecutorial hurdles and how agents and prosecutors addressed and dealt with case challenges, NGOs' roles and challenges, victim services challenges and resolutions, trial obstacles and how prosecutors successfully addressed those challenges and explained them to a jury's satisfaction. Presenters will also cover who calculates restitution and how, what is ordered, how restitution is collected, and explore creative models for restitution in plea agreements and at sentencing.

Human Rights Based Approaches to Anti-Trafficking Work

Presenters: Jean Bruggeman, Lynly S. Egyes, Annie Isabel Fukushima, Kristin Heffernan and Renan Salgado

Location: Wilson/Harrison/Jackson

Research shows that people lacking human rights are the most vulnerable to trafficking. Human trafficking is a rights violation, and countries have a responsibility to protect the rights of residents who are trafficked in their territory. A human rights based approach (HRBA) to anti-trafficking centralizes rights and rights violations as a means to address the root causes of trafficking. Additionally, the HRBA to anti-trafficking theory and practice are central to Freedom Network USA's mission/work. Although the perception of a human rights approach is universal to rights, there currently is little consensus as to what constitutes a rights based approach to human trafficking. This lack of consensus has been most notable in the genesis of the anti-trafficking movement in the 1960s where radical feminists called for abolition of prostitution - seeing sexual economies as a manifestation of patriarchy. Their approach contrasted liberal feminists' priorities which centered agency as more complex than men's violence against women. While the movement has become more intricate and broad, haunting it is an unclear definition and inconsistent practice of human rights based approaches. We will address a central concern in anti-trafficking efforts: what are the best practices of employing a HRBA to anti-trafficking in service provision, policy, and advocacy?

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm | Breakout Sessions

Serving Survivors in the Current Climate

Presenters: Mary Caparas, Kathleen Morris, Nat Paul and Dan Werner

Location: Crystal Ballroom

The stated intentions and enacted policies of the current administration present many threats and challenges for survivors of human trafficking and those working to serve them. In this session we will discuss what is already happening and what we can realistically expect that may threaten the safety and access to services and support for survivors. The presenters will answer: How can we as advocates continue to best serve survivors in this new environment? What are some ways to address fears, provide answers, and help survivors cope with new stressors? What resources should we look to to address new threats and challenges? Please come ready to share experiences and ideas so we can do our best to prepare ourselves for the challenges to come.

Justice for Victims with Disabilities

Presenters: Hilary Axam, Sarah Bessell, Florrie Burke and David Hutt

Location: Lincoln Room

Trafficking of persons with disabilities has become more visible in recent years; the increase trends suggest traffickers target people with disabilities across the United States. Traffickers have sought out individuals with disability benefits, such as SSI, in order to steal those funds, all while holding the victims in forced prostitution, forced labor, or both. Data collected by Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center show a particular uptick in cases involving victims with developmental disabilities. Victims have been trafficked and abused in multiple sectors, including the meatpacking industry, the agricultural sector, forced prostitution, and domestic servitude. The program will bring together anti-trafficking community and disability rights community experts to examine the question of justice.

Victims as Perpetrators and Perpetrators as Victims

Presenters: Amy Fleischauer, Amanda Kramer, Caitlin Kelly Lawrence and Kate Mogulescu

Location: Washington Room

This session will explore the complicated issues of protections and justice for victims of human trafficking who are forced to become perpetrators of that same crime. What are the implications for victims within the criminal justice system and within their own healing/therapeutic process? What role can service providers, attorneys, and/or law enforcement play to ensure that this sub-set of survivors is viewed holistically and receives appropriate support? A multidisciplinary panel including a survivor, public defender, and federal prosecutor will speak to these complicated issues while highlighting several specific case examples.

Fair Food Program: Preventing Forced Labor and Gender-Based Violence

Presenters: Lindsay Adams and Agatha Schmaedick

Location: Wilson/Harrison/Jackson

With the advent of the Fair Food Program (FFP), the Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW) has moved beyond the discovery and investigation of forced labor and sexual violence, and now has reached the goal of prevention on tomato, strawberry and pepper farms in seven states along the East Coast. Rather than cleaning up the abuse after the fact, worker education and monitoring backed by market consequences — enforceable zero tolerance — resulted in FFP farms having zero cases over a five-year period. This panel will discuss: the remarkable transformation of women and men's lives in the Fair Food Program; the FFP's essential mechanisms such as worker-to-worker education, in-depth audits, and complaint resolution process; and the collaboration amongst the FFP, a major grower, VIDA, and Futures without Violence to produce curriculum tailored for corporate agriculture on the elimination of sexual violence and harassment — a blueprint for the creation and dissemination worker-centered, preventative educational materials on forced labor.

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm | Breakout Sessions

Ask a Fed

Presenters: Hilary Axam, Bill Bernstein, Steve W. Cagen, Katherine Chon, Lisa Coffman, John Freeman and Sara Gilmer

Location: Crystal Ballroom

Officials of several government departments will summarize their work on human trafficking and answer questions submitted by members of the Freedom Network USA and the audience.

“Girls” Courts: A Criminal & Victim Paradigm

Presenters: Holly Austin Gibbs, Megan K. Mattimoe and Elisabet Medina

Location: Washington Room

Girls Courts have emerged in urban centers across the nation as a response to Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth (CSEC); shifting to a paradigm of youth as victims and survivors rather than criminals. What are the implications of anchoring services and interventions in the juvenile justice system? As more states adopt decriminalization policies, in what ways will interventions need to adapt to identify CSEC and respond to youth outside of the juvenile justice system. This session will explore implications and considerations for communities seeking justice and empowerment of youth that have experienced commercial sexual exploitation.

Wednesday, April 5th

Cross-Border Service Provision

Presenters: Cathleen Caron, Elizabeth Darlington, Jeremy McLean and Yolanda Villa
Location: Lincoln Room

Many transnational migrants who are victims of human trafficking and other forms of severe labor exploitation require services that need to be provided in their home country. This need can present when victims choose to return to their home countries, or when services are needed for family members that live in the victim's home country. When transnational services are required, victims and service providers face obstacles navigating two separate legal and service regimes. Victims may face challenges such as participating in ongoing U.S. civil or criminal proceedings, difficulty accessing health services, stigma, security concerns, and coping with debt and other financial issues. Service providers may find it difficult navigating a legal system different than the U.S. system. In this session, the panelists will discuss strategies to ensure that trafficking survivors have access to portable justice, continuing social services, personal and financial security if they return home, and adequate legal services for family members that remain in their native country.

I Can’t Confirm or Deny: Privilege and Confidentiality are Fun!

Presenters: Rebecca DeSimone, Erika Gonzalez, Carolyn Kim and Andrea Panjwani
Location: Wilson/Harrison/Jackson

Increasingly, survivors of human trafficking are faced with complex criminal, civil, and immigration proceedings. As these legal cases become more intricate, the need to protect confidentiality and privileges become crucial for the success of a survivor's legal case. This interactive workshop will focus on the challenges and successes of trauma-informed collaboration between social service providers, legal providers, and law enforcement. This session will explore the labyrinth of how multi-disciplinary teams/workgroups/whatever? have dealt with this increasing demand to become more sophisticated in daily protocols to effectively protect their survivor-client's right to privacy, confidentiality, and legal privileges from a client-centered approach.

Special Events

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm | Networking Event

Location: Washington Room
Join other professionals in your field from across the country for a casual “meet and greet.” Freedom Network USA will facilitate a brief activity to explore and discuss individual notions of social justice. We hope to engage in constructive dialog around these individual perspectives and will pull them together to create a collective visual representation.

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm | The Paul and Sheila Wellstone Award Ceremony and Reception

Location: Monument Room, 14th Floor
The Paul and Sheila Wellstone Award seeks to recognize individuals and organizations that have made a unique contribution to the anti-trafficking field in the United States or demonstrated outstanding leadership and dedication in working to combat human trafficking and slavery in the United States. This award is named in honor of U.S. Senator Paul Wellstone and his wife, Sheila, both champions of human rights and justice. All attendees are welcome to join us for light hors d’oeuvres . Cash bar will be available.

Thursday, April 6th

9:00 am - 10:30 am | Plenary

Justice through Prevention

Presenters: Janie Chuang, Cyndee Clay, Sameera Hafiz, Marita Canedo, JJ Rosenbaum and Agatha Schmaedick
Location: Crystal Ballroom

A truly just society would be free of human trafficking. All forms of work would be valued, all workers would be fairly compensated and given a safe working environment, and all workers would know and be empowered to exercise their rights. Our panel will explore the ways in which activists and organizers are working toward this vision of justice for domestic workers, sex workers, dairy workers and guest workers.

10:45 am - 12:15 pm | Breakout Sessions

The Experience of Trafficked Children and Youth Accessing Services

Presenters: Alison Boak, Deborah Gibbs and Jody Haskin
Location: Crystal Ballroom

This workshop will explore the experience of trafficked children and youth accessing services in New York and Florida. The first part of the presentation will explore the extent to which unaccompanied minors in New York and Florida who crossed the southern border of the U.S. have been screened and receive the services they are entitled to under the TVPA. The second part of the presentation will describe analyses of more than 3,000 trafficking victims identified since 2011 by the Florida child welfare system. This will include a description of the children's various living situations at the time of alleged human trafficking, how children with allegations of trafficking are different from others who experience abuse and neglect, and children's experiences before and after their initial trafficking allegations.

Domestic Servitude in the U.S.: Organizing and Litigating

Presenters: Narbada Chhetri, Sameera Hafiz, Fainess Lipenga and Martina Vandenberg
Location: Lincoln Room

There are approximately two million domestic workers in the United States. These workers are frequently excluded from federal and state labor law and other protections. Survivor-led and worker-led organizing has yielded tremendous legal and advocacy victories across the U.S. At the same time, litigators have obtained significant victories in civil cases; federal prosecutors have put traffickers abusing domestic workers in prison and have obtained criminal restitution. This panel will draw on insights from domestic workers' rights and anti-trafficking advocates to discuss strategies for both prevention and accountability. The panel will also address the issue of survivor-led advocacy. On the prevention side, with extensive work by the National Domestic Workers Alliance (NDWA) member organizations, seven states now have laws protecting domestic workers. However, in many states, domestic workers remain excluded from minimum wage laws. While advocates work to close the protection gap, domestic worker survivors of trafficking for forced labor are asserting their rights in civil cases. Some participate as victim-witnesses in criminal cases. A significant number of federal forced labor criminal cases are domestic servitude cases. An even larger number of federal forced labor civil cases have been filed by survivors of domestic servitude. This panel will provide case data, as well as case studies, to illustrate the intersection between organizing and litigating to support domestic worker rights.

Implementing Survivor-Informed Services

Presenters: Laura Berger, Tara Hughes, Ima Matul and Nat Paul
Location: Washington Room

This Round Table discussion will focus on key points of client-centered, trauma-informed service delivery. Creating client choice in all aspects of service will be a focal point, highlighting the varied ways that survivors experience empowerment as they take control of their lives. Participants in this discussion will hear from survivors and service providers about ways to frame the story of what has happened to someone in order to maximize a survivor’s empowerment and future options. Harm Reduction will be defined in relation to Safety Planning, and the discussion will highlight how to acknowledge existing safety/survival skills, as well as build new ones that are specific to a person’s experience. The need for flexibility in all areas of service provision will round out the discussion, helping providers understand the benefit of individualizing each conversation with a survivor so that situations, strengths and challenges can be brought together to empower the survivor in choice and self-determination.

Forced Marriage and Human Trafficking Intersection

Presenters: Pooja Dadhania, Daliah Setareh, Casey Carter Swegman and Laura Vidal
Location: Wilson/Harrison/Jackson

This session will focus on defining forced marriage (FM) and will review the data regarding the prevalence of FM. The session will discuss how FM intersects with human trafficking, the remedies for FM/HT survivors in the fields of immigration and family law, as well as social services and relocation/privacy protection counseling. Additionally, we will discuss policy regarding government responses to forced marriage and criminalization of FM, as well as what resources and efforts are available for survivors, using Australia as a case study.

1:15 pm - 2:45 pm | Breakout Sessions

Beyond Criminalization: A Critical Look at Criminalization as the Primary Strategy to Address Trafficking

Presenters: Kate D’Adamo, Noelle Fries and Priya Rai
Location: Crystal Ballroom

Since the passage of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act, the issue of human trafficking has vastly expanded, increasing the attention for the issue as well as leading to the creation of an entire infrastructure of “victim support”, with a particular focus on non-profit and law enforcement collaboration. Much of this work has focused on changing laws, increasing prosecutions, and expanding professionalized victims’ services. This workshop seeks to explore the historical and current implications of the movement’s focus on the criminal justice system as the front-line approach toward ending trafficking. Multiple anti-trafficking organizations have spearheaded advocacy for stronger laws and penalties and pushed for increases in prosecutions as a primary metric of success. While this has led to more attention to the issue of human trafficking, these same laws and policies are increasingly used to criminalize the lives of survivors before, during, and after their trafficking experience - especially women of color, queer folks, and immigrants. Therefore, a human rights based approach has meant in contrast to criminalization, anti-trafficking advocates and practitioners have actively sought justice for survivors jailed or penalized for trying to stay safe, challenging us to deeply reflect on the implications of their goals for survivors of violence and our communities. In what ways are our solutions strengthening the systems of criminal justice, incarceration, and immigration which harm survivors and those vulnerable to trafficking, and how can we undermine this impact? By identifying common problems, providing systemic context for them, and examining other issues through this lens, we hope participants will come away with concrete solutions on how our movement can better serve those affected by trafficking, and be strategic in how we invest resources to end harm.

Starting the Conversation: The Legal Profession, Law Enforcement and Secondary Trauma

Presenters: Kristin Heffernan, Elizabeth Hopper and Olivia Wilson
Location: Lincoln Room

This multidisciplinary panel will address particular issues that attorneys and members of law enforcement face in working with a high volume of survivors of human trafficking within the immigration, civil and criminal justice systems. We will provide concrete examples of symptoms of secondary trauma with the understanding that legal professionals often lack supervision around trauma and its effects and that frustrations with the legal system can further contribute to distress. We will provide practical tools, information and takeaways in recognizing and responding to secondary trauma on an individual and organizational level.

Food Justice: Worker-driven Social Responsibility (WSR) Model as a Way to Prevent Abuses in Supply Chains and Prevent Human Trafficking

Presenters: Marita Canedo, Edith Klimoski and Rafaela Rodriguez
Location: Washington Room

This workshop will engage participants in first understanding and submerging themselves in the unique context of dairy farm workers in Vermont. Presenters will highlight the hardships workers endure in this around-the-clock job and discuss the similarities and differences between this work and other manual labor. Presenters will then give a brief introduction of the history of Migrant Justice, the member-based organization that identified the needs of these dairy farm workers in Vermont. Following this introduction, presenters will give an overview of the steps that Migrant Justice took in adapting the existing WSR model to the unique circumstances of the dairy industry in Vermont.

How Safety Net Policy Can Support Trafficking Victims: Lessons from Illinois and California

Presenters: Megan Mahoney, Tanya Broder, Lisa M. Newstrom and Kimberly Drew
Location: Wilson/Harrison/Jackson

In this workshop, advocates from California and Illinois will share their experience passing bills which provide access to public benefits for survivors of trafficking who are not yet certified. Speakers will talk about some of the strategies used and lessons learned to better equip advocates to lead similar efforts in other states. Speakers will also share experiences working with clients in need of these benefits, and challenges and successes of implementing support.

3:15 pm - 4:45 pm | Breakout Sessions

United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)

Presenters: Carson Osberg and Elizabeth Dallam
Location: Crystal Ballroom

This panel will share the latest trends, statistics, and updates in immigration law and practice for trafficking survivors with a particular emphasis on T and U nonimmigrant status. The session includes two panelists from USCIS and will offer an opportunity to get your questions regarding T & U practice answered.

Thursday, April 6th

Consequences of Policing Prostitution: An Analysis of Individuals Arrested and Prosecuted for Commercial Sex in New York City

Presenters: Afua Addo, Meredith Dank, Kate Mogulescu and Katie Beth White
Location: Lincoln Room

This panel will present findings from a newly released study by the Urban Institute and The Legal Aid Society of New York City. The Legal Aid Society’s Exploitation Intervention Project (EIP) represents most individuals prosecuted for violating state prostitution laws. EIP also represents survivors of trafficking into prostitution facing other charges in the criminal legal system. A relatively new provision in New York law allows these survivors to vacate, or clear, charges from their criminal records if those charges were a result of having been trafficked. Urban Institute researchers gathered data from both groups of EIP clients to describe who is currently facing arrest in New York City for prostitution offenses and who has faced arrest and prosecution for prostitution in the past. Drawing from the findings of the study, this panel will offer a data-supported analysis of the Human Trafficking Intervention Court Initiative and will explore the background and needs of individuals arrested for prostitution related charges. This panel will then discuss the challenges EIP clients face within the criminal legal system and consider how service providers can collect and utilize data as part of an advocacy strategy while continuing to prioritize client work.

Nobody is Temporary: Why Guest Workers are Vulnerable to Exploitation

Presenters: Daniel Costa, Patricia Medige and Meredith B. Stewart
Location: Washington Room

Some of the largest labor trafficking cases in the United States have been brought by or behalf of guest workers. The session will explore the unique vulnerabilities of guest workers, focusing on workers with H-2A, H-2B and J-1 visas. We will discuss how these programs are structured and why those structures make trafficking and other severe labor exploitation of guest workers tragically common. The panel will combine technical information about the visa programs and the nature of international guest worker recruitment, provide examples from guest worker trafficking civil and criminal cases around the country, and propose reforms of the visa programs to reduce workers’ vulnerability.

Public Health and Criminal Justice: Creating Public Health-Informed Response & Prevention

Presenters: Susie Baldwin, Edith Klimoski, Mike Posanka and Hanni Stoklosa
Location: Wilson/Harrison/Jackson

The U.S. anti-human trafficking movement has significant roots in a criminal justice response. In spite of such emphasis, this session conveys the need to broaden anti-trafficking approaches by centering the importance of a Public Health lens. The speakers’ expertise is grounded in the belief that “we cannot arrest our way out of human trafficking.” The public health framework takes a broader view, including focusing on upstream prevention efforts, and the long-term healing and restoration of survivors. Participants in this workshop will one, gain an understanding of a public health framework for preventing and responding to human trafficking cases; two, understand how the interplay of public health, healthcare and criminal justice approaches may be effective; and three, leave equipped (through discussion and the workshop) with two action steps to take in their own communities.

4:45 pm - 5:00 pm | **Wrap-up & End of Conference**



Speakers

Alphabetically organized by first name

Afua Addo

Coordinator of Gender and Justice Initiatives, Center for Court Innovation

Afua Addo, MHC, is the Coordinator of Gender and Justice Initiatives with the Center for Court Innovation. In this role she manages Project SAFE (Services and Fundamental Enhancements for Justice-Involved Women addressing the needs of women of color with a history of domestic violence and sexual assault. This newly appointed project operates in partnership with Black Women's Blueprint and National Black Women's Justice Institute. Afua is the former coordinator of the Hidden Victims Project (HVP), which serves the Queens Misdemeanor Treatment Court with an emphasis on the Human Trafficking Intervention Court. She conducts national technical and training assistance on the intersection of trauma, race, gender and sexuality and trauma-informed service delivery to judges, stakeholders, law enforcement, and direct service personnel. She has worked as a criminal court advocate for youth of color, survivors of gender-based violence, child sexual abuse, domestic human trafficking, and substance abuse.

Agatha Schmaedick

Associate General Counsel, Coalition of Immokalee Workers

Agatha Schmaedick, the Coalition of Immokalee Worker's (CIW) Associate General Counsel, is a labor and migrants' rights advocate with over two decades of experience internationally and in the U.S. As a founding member of both the United Students Against Sweatshops (USAS) and the Worker Rights Consortium (WRC), Agatha helped to uncover and resolve many abuses in the global garment industry through harnessing and combining consumers' and workers' power to hold apparel retailers accountable to abuses in their supply chains. For seven years, Agatha served first as the Field Director for Southeast Asia and ultimately as the Director of Field Operations at the WRC. In this capacity, Agatha directed factory investigations and facilitated remediation action plans in dozens of garment factories across Asia. Prior to this, Agatha served as the Program Director of the Network for Immigrant Justice, a coalition of faith-based, labor, and community organizations providing support to migrant farmworkers in her home state of Oregon. In recent years, Agatha has provided direct legal services to individuals fleeing forced labor/ domestic servitude situations in the U.S., and served as the Senior Advisor on Labor Trafficking at Polaris in Washington, DC. Agatha earned her Juris Doctor from Georgetown University, where she attended as a Public Interest Law Scholar and was awarded the American Bar Association Award for Excellence in Labor and Employment Law.

Alison Boak

Co-Founder and President, International Organization for Adolescents (IOFA)

Alison Boak, MPH is co-founder and Executive Director of the International Organization for Adolescents (IOFA), a U.S. based, non-profit organization working since 1999 to eliminate human trafficking and exploitation of vulnerable adolescents worldwide. She is also a Leader-in-Residence at the Colin Powell School for Civic and Global Leadership at the City College of New York where she teaches a fellowship seminar on Human Rights and Trafficking. Alison is a leading international expert on the issue of child and adolescent trafficking and exploitation and has created several model programs and founded numerous organizations, networks, and coalitions to coordinate the multi-disciplinary work required to assist trafficked persons. For nearly 20 years her work has focused on delivering successful programs to assist vulnerable and marginalized adolescents especially those who are parentless, unaccompanied, LGBTQ, juvenile justice involved, commercially sexually exploited, or involved with exploitative labor practices. She has served on numerous advisory boards and is a founding member of the Freedom Network USA serving as Co-Chair from 2004 to 2006. Her work in the U.S. has been recognized by former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, the Westchester County Board of Legislators, Westchester County Executive Rob Astorino, and Congresswoman Nita Lowey. In 2014 she received the Community Partner Award from "My Sisters' Place." She received a Masters of Public Health (MPH) Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University, the Division for Population and Family Health. She is also a former Peace Corps Volunteer and Fulbright Scholar.

Amanda Kramer United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of New York, Senior Litigation Counsel

Amanda Kramer has been an Assistant United States Attorney in the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York since 2008, where she serves as Senior Litigation Counsel and the Office's Human Trafficking and Project Safe Childhood Coordinator. Ms. Kramer prosecuted corporate and white collar fraud as a member of the Office's Complex Frauds and Cybercrime Unit from 2009 through 2011. Before joining the U.S. Attorney's Office, Ms. Kramer practiced litigation at Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler and Weil Gotshal. From 2004 through 2005, Ms. Kramer served as a law clerk to the Honorable Loretta A. Preska, United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York. She is a 2003 graduate of the Fordham University School of Law, where she has served as an Adjunct Professor

teaching Advanced Trial Advocacy since 2014. In 2014, Ms. Kramer was recognized as one of New York's New Abolitionists by Sanctuary for Families and the New York State Anti-Trafficking Coalition. In May 2015, Ms. Kramer was named Top Prosecutor by the organization Women in Federal Law Enforcement for her work on human trafficking. In 2016, Ms. Kramer was named Prosecutor of the Year by the Society of Asian Federal Officers.

Amy Fleischauer Director, Survivor Support Services, International Institute of Buffalo

Amy Fleischauer, LMSW is the Director of Survivor Support Services at the International Institute of Buffalo (IIB) and supervises a team of case managers and advocates working with survivors of human trafficking and domestic violence. Ms. Fleischauer currently serves as the co-facilitator of the Western District of New York's Anti-Trafficking Task Force, a position she has held since its inception in 2007. In addition, Ms. Fleischauer serves as the Quality Support Specialist for the USCRI Trafficking Victim Assistance Program, providing training and technical assistance for nearly 200 organizations administering direct care to foreign-born survivors of human trafficking across thirty-four states. She has recently been appointed to the New York State Office of Victim Services Advisory Counsel. Ms. Fleischauer has represented the immigrant victim services perspective on the New York State Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team, a position she was appointed to by Governor Cuomo in 2012. She also testifies as an expert witness on domestic violence-related trauma for state-level criminal cases. She serves on the board of Freedom Network USA and is an active member of the New York Anti-Trafficking Network. Ms. Fleischauer has a master's degree in social work from Columbia University and a certificate in Trauma Counseling from the University of Buffalo. She has specific expertise in program planning, and provides training to national audiences on the implementation of trauma-informed care within victim services programs.

Andrea Panjwani Managing Attorney, Immigration Unit, My Sister's Place

Andrea Panjwani is presently the managing attorney of the immigration practice at My Sisters' Place, a multi-service agency which provides shelter, case management and legal services to survivors of human trafficking and relationship violence in the Lower Hudson Valley. Ms. Panjwani trains on the topics of immigration consequences of criminal convictions, immigration consequences of family court dispositions, VAWA self-petitions and battered spouse waivers, T Visas, U Visas and cross cultural interviewing. Ms. Panjwani presently sits on the Immigrant Issues in the New York State Family Court Judicial Committee and the New York State Padilla Working Group. Prior to joining My Sisters' Place, Ms Panjwani was co-executive director at Immigrant Defense Project, directing attorney at African Services Committee, clinical instructor at Brooklyn Law School and staff attorney at Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc. Ms. Panjwani is the recipient of the Louis J. Lefkowitz Public Service Award, Above and Beyond Award and Equal Justice Award.

Dr. Annie Isabel Fukushima Director, Initiative for Transformative Social Work and Assistant Professor, School for Cultural & Social Transformation and College of Social Work, University of Utah

Dr. Annie Isabel Fukushima is Assistant Professor in a joint position in the Ethnic Studies Division in the School for Cultural & Social Transformation and the College of Social Work at the University of Utah. Prior to joining the faculty at University of Utah, she received her PhD from University of California, Berkeley in Ethnic Studies with a Designated Emphasis in Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies and was an Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow at Rutgers University (2013 – 2015). In 2015 she was recognized by the National Center for Institutional Diversity (NCID) as an Exemplary Diversity Scholar. Dr. Fukushima's scholarly and public works on immigration, citizenship, victimhood, criminality, and violence has appeared in scholarly peer reviewed articles in journals such as Feminist Formations, Frontiers: Journal of Women's Studies and Praxis: Gender & Cultural Critiques. She has multiple chapters in anthologies, The Subject(s) of Human Rights (forthcoming) edited by Cathy Schlund-Vials, Guy Beauregard, and Hsiu-chuan Lee; a chapter on End Demand in Human Trafficking Reconsidered edited by Rhacel Parrenas and Kimberly Hoang; a chapter on filmic representations of trafficking and consumer activism in Documenting Gendered Violence by Heather McIntosh and Lisa Cuklanz; as well as encyclopedias and handbooks for ABC-Clio, Greenwood Press, and MacMillan. Currently she is a co-editor for an anthology being published by Third Woman Press, a Queer and Feminist of Color publisher, and their inaugural anthology being co-edited with Fukushima, Layli Maparyan, Anita Revilla, and Matt Richardson. She is currently revising her manuscript in progress, Migrant Crossings which examines Asians and Latinas/os trafficked in the US. In 2016, she was contracted to work on a learning exhibition project between Korea, the Philippines, Columbia, and the United States, entitled, "Migratory Times" a project of the Institute of (Im)Possible Subjects. She has served as an expert witness and consultant regarding human trafficking. She has worked at all levels of organizations. She serves as the Secretary/Treasurer for the Human Rights Section of American Sociological Association, Co-Chair for the Freedom Network USA Conference Committee, and Director for the Initiative for Transformative Social Work, University of Utah.

Speakers

Bill Bernstein MS, LPC, Deputy Director, Mosaic Family Services

Bill Bernstein is Deputy Director of Mosaic Family Services, an agency serving those who have suffered human rights abuses such as human trafficking and domestic violence. He founded the Multicultural Family Violence Intervention program at the agency in 1997 and the Services for Trafficked Persons program in 2001, and has served as Chair of the Metroplex Refugee Network and the North Texas Immigration Coalition. Bill directs the program at Mosaic that has served survivors of human trafficking since 2001. The agency provides case management, legal services, counseling and housing, and has worked with over 500 trafficked persons: male and female, labor and sex, adults and minors, foreign born and domestic. Bill is a founding member of the North Texas Anti-Trafficking Team, consisting of federal and local law enforcement, prosecutors and social service providers. Bill served as co-chair of the Freedom Network USA for seven years.

Caitlin Kelly Lawrence Advocate

After surviving nearly eight years of severe violence and exploitation, Caitlin escaped her trafficker by entering a rehabilitation program for alcohol and substance abuse. Upon completion of the program, she was relieved to discover that her trafficker had been arrested by federal investigators. However, Caitlin was surprised to learn that she would also be facing federal charges related to human trafficking. Caitlin is a well-known speaker and panelist in the Western New York area, sharing her experience and offering mentorship to women who seek sobriety and wish to regain control of their lives. Caitlin completed her associate’s degree with a 4.0 GPA and is currently pursuing a master’s degree in social work from the University of Buffalo. She is a proud wife and mother to two beautiful children.

Carolyn Kim Training and Technical Assistance Senior Attorney, CAST

Carolyn M. Kim is a Senior Attorney at the Coalition to Abolish Slavery & Trafficking in Los Angeles, CA. As a Senior Attorney, she provides training and technical consult to legal and social service providers across the United States on comprehensive legal services for trafficking survivors. Before joining CAST, Carolyn was a staff attorney at Bay Area Legal Aid located in Richmond, CA where she represented survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking in their immigration and family law matters. Carolyn also worked as a family law attorney at Asian Pacific Islander Legal Outreach in Oakland, CA prior to joining Bay Area Legal Aid. Carolyn graduated from Santa Clara University School of Law and the University of California, Berkeley.

Carson Osberg Staff Attorney, Americans for Immigration Justice

Carson is a Staff Attorney at Americans for Immigrant Justice (formerly Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center) in Miami, Florida. She joined AI Justice’s Lucha Program in January 2014 and provides immigration representation to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. She also provides ‘Know Your Rights’ and other information to immigrant communities. Prior to joining AI Justice, Carson was a Public Interest/Public Service (PIPS) Scholar at the American University Washington College of Law, where she focused on immigration law and workers’ rights and participated in WCL’s Immigrant Justice Clinic. While in law school, she interned and volunteered at Ayuda, KIND, Maggio & Kattar, Centro de los Derechos del Migrante, the National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project, CARECEN, and CAIR Coalition. Also an active student organization member, Carson spearheaded her school’s Equal Justice Foundation, wrote and edited for the Human Rights Brief, and co-chaired the Immigrants’ Rights Coalition. Prior to law school, Carson worked for the International Organization for Migration (IOM), managing a family reunification program providing reunification assistance for human trafficking survivors choosing to remain in the United States. She has a Bachelor of Arts from Tufts University and is a member of the Maryland Bar. Carson speaks Spanish and has lived in Spain, Mexico, and Ecuador.

Casey Carter Swegman Forced Marriage Initiative, Project Manager, Tahirih Justice Center

Casey Swegman, M.A., is the Forced Marriage Initiative Project Manager at the Tahirih Justice Center where she provides policy leadership on the issue of forced marriage in the United States, fields technical assistance requests nationally, provides direct services to individuals facing forced marriage, and coordinates chairs the national Forced Marriage Working Group. She was the principle content drafter and developer of preventforcedmarriage.org as well as the NRC DV supported research paper The Intersectionality of Forced Marriage and Other Forms of Abuse in the United States and she also engages in extensive national outreach, education and training.

Cathleen Caron Executive Director, Justice in Motion

Cathleen Caron is the Founder and Executive Director of Justice in Motion, an organization dedicated to protecting migrant rights across borders. She has over 15 years of human rights experience in the United States and abroad. Previously she directed a national needs assessment in East Timor of the human trafficking situation for the Aloia Foundation. She has also worked as a staff attorney with the Migrant Farmworker Justice Project in Florida. Prior to law school, Cathleen worked on human rights issues in Guatemala for over three years. She is a graduate of the American University Washington College of Law and Dartmouth College.

Colleen Owens Senior Research Associate, Urban Institute’s Justice Policy Center

Ms. Owens has over a decade of research experience directing research projects funded by the U.S. Department of State, National Institute of Justice and Bureau of Justice Assistance. These projects have included investigations into labor trafficking in the United States, research on trafficking in Asia, Latin America, Africa and Europe, analyses of federal prosecutions of CSEC cases, research on the underground commercial sex economy and research with Northeastern University to understand challenges investigating and prosecuting human trafficking, developing and providing technical assistance for the Human Trafficking Reporting System. Having worked full-time for Urban for over 12 years, Ms. Owens has been working part-time for Urban and as a consultant since August 2016 while she pursues a degree in another passion of hers, ethical and sustainable footwear design at the Fashion Institute of Technology. She hopes to continue to combine her interests in anti-trafficking and design in the future. In her part-time capacity she serves as Principal Investigator of a NIJ-funded study on perceptions of justice among human trafficking survivors. She also serves as a consultant on a project funded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance and led by the International Association of Chiefs of Police and in collaboration with Aequitas as the National Human Trafficking Training and Technical Assistance provider for the BJA-funded law enforcement task forces. She also consults on an NIJ-funded study with Northeastern University to understand UCR reporting in select sites across the country.

Cyndee Clay Executive Director, HIPS

Clay is an internationally recognized expert with over 20 years experience in program development, nonprofit management and evaluation for improving the health and safety of individuals engaged in street economies, including those who exchange sex due to choice, circumstance or coercion. She is a graduate of the UCLA/Johnson & Johnson Health Care Executive Program at UCLA Business School, and currently serves as the Executive Director of HIPS, which has provided services and advocacy for sex workers and those in the sex trade for over 24 years.

Daliah Setareh Senior Attorney, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles

Daliah Setareh is an advocate on behalf of vulnerable immigrant communities. As a senior attorney at LAFLA, Ms. Setareh provides legal assistance to adult and child survivors of persecution, torture, domestic violence, serious crimes as well as survivors of human trafficking before U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Immigration Courts, Board of Immigration Appeals. Ms. Setareh successfully litigated a precedent setting case in the Ninth Circuit, Jiang v. Holder, 658 F.3d 1118 (9th Cir. 2011) in which she represented a torture survivor from China and the court decided the case in the applicant’s favor on the issue of document authentication. She has presented on these immigration topics, locally, nationally as well as on international satellite television. She also participated in the curriculum creation for the standard training on human trafficking for law enforcement in California.

Dan Werner Senior Supervising Attorney, Southern Poverty Law Center

Dan Werner serves as Senior Supervising Attorney for the Southern Poverty Law Center’s (SPLC) Immigrant Justice Project. In 2017, Dan has developed and currently directs SPLC’s Southeast Immigrant Freedom Initiative, which provides high-quality, universal case screening and holistic pro bono legal representation to immigrants detained in the southeastern United States as a result of Trump-era immigration raids and other enforcement actions. Dan coauthored A Guide to Civil Litigation on Behalf of Victims of Human Trafficking and has lectured extensively on issues impacting victims of severe labor exploitation. In 2015 he and his trial team were awarded the 2015 Public Justice Trial Lawyer of the Year Award for their work on the David v. Signal International human trafficking lawsuit. He is a graduate of Grinnell College in Iowa and the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law and has previously represented low-wage workers in New York and Florida.

Speakers

Daniel A. Vélez Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Daniel A. Vélez has been a federal prosecutor since 1996, initially with the Criminal Section, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice in Washington D.C., and, since 2002, as an Assistant United States Attorney, U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, in Philadelphia. In those respective positions, Vélez prosecuted difficult and significant labor and commercial sex trafficking cases. At the U.S. Department of Justice, Vélez investigated and prosecuted color of law, hate crime, and human trafficking cases throughout the United States, its territories and possessions. From 2009 to 2011, as an AUSA, Vélez served as Senior Litigation Counsel for the office and was assigned to the Strike Force unit where he investigated and prosecuted organized crime cases, large fraud cases, narcotics, and human trafficking cases. Since 2011, he has been the Deputy Chief of the Economic Crimes Unit where he currently supervises approximately 20 Assistant United States Attorneys. He is also the human trafficking case coordinator and serves on the hiring and diversity committees. Prior to federal service, Vélez was employed with the Kings County District Attorney’s Office in Brooklyn, New York and assigned to a felony trial bureau and the New York City Department of Investigation as an examining attorney where he investigated government fraud and waste. Vélez graduated from Cornell University in 1986 and received his law degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1990.

Daniel Costa Director of Immigration Law and Policy Research, Economic Policy Institute

Daniel Costa is the director of immigration law and policy research at the Economic Policy Institute, a think tank in Washington DC. An attorney, his current areas of research include a wide range of labor migration issues, including the management of temporary foreign worker programs, both high- and less-skilled migration, immigrant workers’ rights, and forced migration, including refugee and asylum issues and the global migration crisis. He has testified on immigration before the U.S. Congress, been quoted by a number of news outlets, appeared on radio and television news, and was named one of “20 Immigration Experts to Follow on Twitter” by ABC News. His commentaries have appeared in various publications, including The New York Times, Roll Call, La Opinión, and The Sacramento Bee. Since 2015, he has been an affiliated scholar with the University of California, Merced.

Darci Flynn Associate Director, Freedom from Trafficking, Heartland Alliance

Darci Flynn is currently the Associate Director of the Freedom from Trafficking (FFT) program at Heartland Alliance. At FFT, Darci supervises the case management team that supports survivors in Chicagoland area on their pathway to safety, self-sufficiency, and independence. Darci is also a Program Officer for the Trafficking Victim Assistance Program (TVAP) where she manages and provides technical assistance to a network of over 60 service providers across sixteen states who are providing quality, trauma-informed services to foreign-national survivors and their family members. Additionally, Darci leads an OVC-funded project for Comprehensive Services in Targeted Communities in Illinois. Over the past five years, Darci has become a local and national expert on providing quality, trauma-informed services to survivors of human trafficking. She is an active member of the Cook County Human Trafficking Task Force as well as the IL Statewide Taskforce on Human Trafficking. She also is a trainer/facilitator for the Freedom Network Institute. Darci has a certificate in Trauma-Informed Care Organizations from the University of Buffalo School of Social Work. Prior to this position, Darci obtained her Masters in Social Service Administration from the University of Chicago where she focused on non-profit management and was a member of the Violence Prevention Program of Study.

David Hutt Senior Staff Attorney, The National Disability Rights Network

David currently works on P&A access authority, and issues involving P&A investigations of abuse and neglect of individuals with disabilities. He also provides employment law training and technical assistance for the PABSS program, and works on issues related to the International Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Prior to his current responsibilities, David worked to develop and manage the Social Security Administration Representative Payee Review Project for NDRN, and provided training and technical assistance on vocational rehabilitation to the P&A and CAPs. Prior to joining NDRN, David was a staff attorney at Legal Services of Central New York, dealing with cases involving employment discrimination, vocational rehabilitation, Medicaid, consumer debt, and accessibility issues under the PABSS, CAP, and PAIR programs. He was lead counsel in a successful employment discrimination trial in federal court under the PABSS program. He also advised clients on various return to work issues such as social security benefits planning, the Ticket to Work program, and self-advocacy with the New York State vocational rehabilitation agency. David earned a B.A. from Le Moyne College in Syracuse, N.Y., and holds a J.D. and PhD in political science from the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Deborah Gibbs Senior Analyst, Violence and Victimization Research Program, RTI

Deborah Gibbs is a senior analyst at RTI International, a not-for profit research firm. She has led or is currently leading studies of human trafficking and the child welfare population, evaluations of services for victims of human trafficking, and evaluation methods for these program. She would love to hear your ideas about how we should define success in services for victims of human trafficking!

Edith Klimoski Director, Give Way to Freedom

Edith Klimoski earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology with a concentration in Women's Studies from the College of the Holy Cross, and a Master of Science from University of Wisconsin - Green Bay. She managed the start-up process, and since its incorporation in 2009, she has been the director of Give Way to Freedom, a private operating foundation that creates and supports targeted, culturally relevant projects aimed at providing care and empowerment to survivors of human trafficking, as well as those vulnerable to trafficking. She has given and organized trainings on human trafficking throughout New England to a wide variety of professionals including healthcare workers, social workers, runaway and homeless youth service providers, law enforcement, lawyers, drug treatment counselors, students, and educators. She has mentored two University of Vermont College of Medicine semester long Public Health Projects, both of which were accepted into the American Public Health Association’s Annual Meeting. Edith sits on the University of Vermont Medical Center’s Collaborative on Human Trafficking lead by their Clinical Simulation Laboratory. She is a member of the Vermont Human Trafficking Task Force, their Steering Committee, and the Chittenden County Human Trafficking Task Force. In 2015 she received the Ally Award on Crime Victims’ Rights Day from the State of Vermont. She devotes her volunteer work extensively to Rotary International.

Elisabet Medina Senior Program Manager: Strategic Partnerships CSEC, San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center

Elisabet Medina obtained her Bachelors of Social Work from Azusa Pacific University near Los Angeles. She pursued service opportunities both domestically and abroad, working with street children and communities affected by HIV. Elisabet graduated with a Masters of Social Work with a concentration in Community Organization from the University of Michigan. The focus of Elisabet's work has been with immigrant victims of domestic violence and other crimes. She currently works at San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center, coordinating strategic partnerships to address Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and youth.

Elizabeth Dallam Policy Analyst, Family Immigration & Victim Protection Division, USCIS Office of Policy and Strategy

Elizabeth Dallam serves as a subject matter expert and develops policy guidance on T and U visas in the Washington, D.C. office of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).Dallam joined the federal government in July 2015. Prior to her service with the U.S. government, Dallam was the National Legal Services Director at a non-profit organization that provides pro bono legal counsel to children in immigration proceedings. Dallam also worked for ten years on US asylum policy issues at the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. She has over twenty years of experience in the field of immigration law and spent the first six years of her career at a non-profit providing free representation to immigrants in removal proceedings. Dallam has a J.D. from the University of Arizona College of Law and a bachelor’s degree from Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri.

Elizabeth Darlington Counter-Trafficking and Protection Unit, International Organization for Migration (IOM)

Elizabeth Darlington coordinates the “Return, Reintegration and Family Reunification Program for Victims of Trafficking in the US” at the International Organization for Migration (IOM) in Washington, DC through funding from the Bureau for Population, Refugees and Migration, US Department of State. The program assists trafficking survivors reunite with family members for long-term resettlement in the US or voluntarily return to their countries of origin. Elizabeth previously worked at the US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants to support post-release services for unaccompanied minors and case management for foreign national victims of trafficking in the US. She graduated from Westmont College.

Speakers

Elizabeth Hopper PhD, Director, Project REACH, The Trauma Center at JRI

Elizabeth Hopper, PhD, is a Clinical Psychologist, Senior Supervisor, and member of the Training Faculty at the Trauma Center at Justice Resource Institute, one of the nation’s leading agencies in the study and treatment of the psychological impact of exposure to trauma. She is the Director of Project REACH, a national anti-human trafficking program that provides direct services to domestic and foreign national trafficking survivors and that offers training and consultation to a network of cross-discipline professionals throughout the country. She has served as the Associate Director of Training at the Trauma Center, collaborated with numerous agencies and organizations in developing trauma-informed systems of care, and offered regular trainings on intervention with survivors of complex trauma. Dr. Hopper is the co-author, with David Emerson, of Overcoming Trauma Through Yoga: Reclaiming Your Body, a book that describes yoga as a body-based intervention for trauma. She is the lead author of the forthcoming book Treatment of Adult Survivors of Childhood Emotional Abuse and Neglect: Reaching Across the Abyss, which introduces the Components Based Psychotherapy (CBP) model for the treatment of complex trauma. She has written numerous articles and book chapters on complex trauma, trauma-informed care, homelessness, and human trafficking and also has a strong interest in cross-cultural work, integration across intervention modalities, and vicarious trauma.

Erika Gonzalez Training and Technical Assistance Senior Attorney, CAST

Erika Gonzalez is a Senior Attorney at the Coalition to Abolish Slavery & Trafficking in Los Angeles, CA. As a Senior Attorney, she provides training and technical consult to legal and social service providers across the United States on comprehensive legal services for trafficking survivors. She started at CAST in 2014 as a Staff Attorney where she worked with the Foreign National population to provide comprehensive direct legal services in the areas of immigration and criminal law. Before joining CAST, Erika was the Immigration Legal Services Program Manager at Opening Doors, Inc. in Sacramento, CA where she started a low-bono immigration program that focused on assisting victims of domestic violence and trafficking. Erika graduated from the University of Pacific, McGeorge School of Law and the University of California, Berkeley.

Evelyn Melendez Advocate, Central Minnesota Sexual Assault Center

Evelyn Melendez is currently employed by the Central Minnesota Sexual Assault Center. Within her role at the Center, Evelyn provides trauma-informed psychoeducation, ongoing support counseling to primary and secondary victims of sexual assault, and legal advocacy. She also began working as a case manager serving survivors of human trafficking in 2016. Evelyn holds a B.A. from St. Cloud State University with a focus in Anthropology and Business Administration. Evelyn also holds a Minor in Chicano Studies. Evelyn is a recognized community leader in the greater St. Cloud, MN region. As such, she has aided in addressing challenges facing Latinos pursuing higher education in Central Minnesota. Evelyn was previously employed by Catholic Charities as a Youth Activities Coordinator. In this capacity, she served populations wherein 90% of community members are below poverty level.

Fainess Lipenga Survivor Leader, National Survivors Network

Ms. Fainess Lipenga is a member of the National Survivor Network. She has been an active member since 2013. As a survivor of labor trafficking, she uses her voice and experience to educate the community and raise awareness. Ms. Lipenga's mission is to prevent other survivors from being re-victimized and to give them hope and the courage to heal and become leaders in order to achieve their dreams. Ms. Lipenga has spoken before Congress on behalf of other survivors regarding the challenges they face in their lives, as well as before the National Academy of Sciences. Ms. Lipenga has provided technical assistance to Community Clinic, Inc. in Prince George’s County, Maryland and The Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center to develop training for health care providers. Ms. Lipenga believes that survivor voices and leadership are essential in order to advocate on behalf of other survivors. Ms. Lipenga is a Certified Nursing Assistant and has been providing services to elderly clients for approximately four years. Ms. Lipenga continues to pursue her goal of becoming a registered nurse with hopes of continuing to expand her work in the field of medicine.

Florrie Burke Chair Emeritus, Freedom Network USA

Florrie Burke is a consultant on Human Trafficking and Modern Day Slavery to both governmental and non governmental agencies. She helped start the Anti-Trafficking Program at Safe Horizon in New York City where she oversaw both the Anti Trafficking Program and the Solace Program for Survivors of Torture and is a founding member and currently Chair Emeritus of the Freedom Network. Ms. Burke is on the steering committee of the NY Anti-Trafficking Network. She has done extensive training, speaking and consultation on Human Trafficking

issues, trauma and torture both nationally and internationally. She serves as an Expert Witness on cases of Human Trafficking and she is a member of the Global Training Initiative on Human Trafficking at the UNODC in Vienna and has been part of three working groups developing materials for first responders and others who may encounter Human Trafficking. Ms. Burke has been working with trafficked persons since 1997 when she designed and implemented specialized social services to sixty deaf Mexicans who were held in slavery in a peddling ring in NYC. Ms. Burke also designed and implemented a model for Community Trauma Response following the attacks on September 11th. In 2007 Ms. Burke received the National Crime Victims Recognition Service Award from the Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime. She has been honored by the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, by the Wage and Hour Division of the U.S. Department of Labor and was awarded the Annual Paul and Sheila Wellstone Award by the Freedom Network USA.

Hanni Stoklosa MD, MPH, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Harvard Medical School

Hanni Stoklosa, M.D., MPH, Executive Director of HEAL Trafficking, is an emergency physician at Brigham and Women’s Hospital with appointments at Harvard Medical School, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, and the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative. Dr. Stoklosa is a well-recognized investigator, advocate, and speaker focusing on the public health of trafficking survivors in the US and internationally. She has advised the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Labor, and National Academy of Medicine on issues of human trafficking and testified as an expert witness multiple times before the US Congress. Moreover, she has conducted research on trafficking and vulnerable populations in a diversity of settings including Australia, China, Egypt, Guatemala, India, Liberia, Nepal, Kazakhstan, the Philippines, South Sudan, Taiwan, and Thailand. She just published the first book on public health and trafficking, “Human Trafficking Is a Public Health Issue: A Paradigm Expansion in the United States.”

Harold D’Souza Member, United States Advisory Council on Human Trafficking

Harold D'Souza is a survivor of labor trafficking and debt bondage in the United States of America. Originally from India, Harold D'Souza is educated and has experience is sales management. He has a Masters of Commerce, Post Graduation Diploma-Human Resource Development and a Bachelors in Law from The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda. Harold pursued the American Dream and came to the U.S. on the advice and support of the man who would become his trafficker, encouraging him and reassuring him the American Dream was well within reach. It was 133 months before Harold and his family felt freedom. Today, Harold is a Survivor, Advocate and Public Speaker. Since 2008 Harold has worked at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center as a Senior Supply Chain Associate. He is a founding member of the National Survivor Network CAST and is active in local anti-trafficking organizations. He has spoken at numerous anti-human trafficking events throughout the U.S and India. Notably, Harold has been appointed by U.S. President Barack Obama to the Historic United States Advisory Council on Human Trafficking. D'Souza is working on a book called "Human Trafficking: A Frog in a Well." Harold and his wife Dancy, along with social worker, Jessica Donohue-Dioh have launched a non-profit organization. Eyes Open International is uniquely focused on the prevention of human trafficking through education and empowerment. Harold looks forward to the near future when he can dedicate 100% of his professional career to anti-human trafficking work.

Hilary Axam Director, Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice

Hilary Axam has served as Director of the Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit in the Department of Justice Civil Rights Division since 2011, and before that as Acting Director since 2009. She has been a prosecutor with the Criminal Section of the Civil Rights Division since 2001, and a Special Litigation Counsel in the Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit since its inception in 2007. She has prosecuted and supervised some of the most significant human trafficking cases in the United States, involving both forced labor and sex trafficking. She has also played a central role in ground-breaking initiatives to enhance the federal law enforcement response to human trafficking and to build bi-lateral law enforcement partnerships that have produced international investigations and prosecutions. She has trained prosecutors, federal agents, law enforcement officers, non-governmental organizations, and international delegations on human trafficking laws and investigative and prosecutorial strategies, and has been recognized as one of the Department of Justice’s leading experts on human trafficking. Before coming to the Department, Ms. Axam worked internationally as counsel to the Judiciary of the Republic of Palau, and as a Fulbright Fellow at the Centre for Applied Legal Studies in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Speakers

Holly Austin Gibbs Human Trafficking Response Program Director, Patient Care Services, Dignity Health

Holly is a survivor of child sex trafficking and an activist against all forms of human trafficking and exploitation. Holly has testified before Congress and consulted for numerous organizations, including the Office for Victims of Crime, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, and the AMBER Alert program. She is requested on a regular basis to provide testimony and input to law enforcement officials, legislators, social service providers, human trafficking task forces, and journalists. In 2014, Holly published an academic book titled Walking Prey: How America's Youth are Vulnerable to Sex Slavery. In 2015, Holly joined Dignity Health, the fifth largest health system in the nation and the largest hospital provider in California. As Director of the Human Trafficking Response Program, Holly oversees efforts to recognize and respond to vulnerable populations and victims of human trafficking in the healthcare setting.

Ima Matul

Survivor Coordinator, Coalition to Abolish Slavery & Trafficking (CAST)

Ima is Survivor Coordinator at the Coalition to Abolish Slavery & Trafficking (CAST), she manage the Survivor Leadership Program (Survivor Advisory Caucus and National Survivor Network), program that foster connections between survivors of diverse forms of human trafficking and to build a national anti-trafficking movement in which survivors are at the forefront and recognized as leaders. Ima is a powerful speaker and advocate for the rights of immigrant laborers in the United States. She has spoken to politicians and legislators to promote survivor-centered legislation on the issue of human trafficking. Ima has received numerous awards for her leadership. In September 2012, Ima was recognized by President Barack Obama as a hero in today's abolitionist movement. Ima has recently appointed by President Barack Obama as one of the first United States Advisory Council on Human Trafficking. Ima is survivor of child labor trafficking. In 1997, she was trafficked to the United State when she was 17 years old and was enslaved for 3 years as a domestic servant. After reaching out to a neighbor for help, she was able to escape and was connected to CAST.

Janie Chuang Professor of Law, Washington College of Law, American University

Janie Chuang is a Professor of Law who teaches and writes in the areas of international law, human trafficking and labor migration. Professor Chuang's articles have appeared in the American Journal of International Law, the University of Pennsylvania Law Review, the UCLA Law Review, and the North Carolina Law Review, and have been cited in the Washington Post, the Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, and the Guardian, among others. Drawing on her expertise on human trafficking issues, Professor Chuang has served as an adviser to the United Nations, the International Labor Organization, and the Organization on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Professor Chuang has also served in leadership positions with the American Society of International Law and the International Law Association. Professor Chuang was a 2011-2012 Open Society Foundations Fellow. Prior to joining AUWCL, Chuang practiced with the law firm of Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton, representing foreign governments in international litigation/arbitration and pro bono clients in asylum and human rights cases. Professor Chuang currently serves as member of the Freedom Network USA, and as a member of the Modern-Day Slavery and Trafficking Working Group for the Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance, and Abolition at Yale University.

Justice Janine Geske Distinguished Professor of Law, Marquette University Law School

Justice Janine P. Geske (ret.) is a Distinguished Professor of Law at Marquette University Law School and director of the law school's Restorative Justice Initiative. Justice Geske served as a Wisconsin Supreme Court justice from 1993-98. Prior to that time she served as a Milwaukee County Circuit Court judge for over 12 years. Justice Geske has also been active in the alternative dispute resolution field and is recognized in Best Lawyers in America for her mediation work. Some of her honors and awards include the American Inns of Court 7th Circuit Professionalism Award, F.B.I. Director's Community Leadership Award, Marquette University High School Spirit of St. Ignatius Award, Thomas More Society Faithful Servant Award, Sisters of the Divine Savior Woman of Faith Award, Milwaukee Cathedral Center Woman of the Word Award, Thurgood Marshall College Fund Legacy Award, St. Norbert College's first Ambassador of Peace Award, Milwaukee Archdiocese Vatican II Award for Communication, Legal Aid Society Equal Justice Award and honorary doctorate degrees from three different universities. She has twice been recognized by the Milwaukee Bar Association as the Lawyer of the Year and received its 2014 Lifetime Achievement Award. Justice Geske provides restorative justice training both nationally and internationally. She has trained judges, lawyers and other professionals in Turkey, Ireland, Canada, Peru and Belgium. In 2011, she served as a visiting professor at Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium) Law School Institute of Criminology (in restorative justice).

Jean Bruggeman Executive Director, Freedom Network USA

Jean Bruggeman is the Executive Director of Freedom Network USA, a national alliance of experienced advocates working with survivors of all forms of human trafficking to ensure that trafficked persons have access to justice, safety, and opportunity. Most recently, Jean served as a Human Trafficking Fellow with the Office for Victims of Crime within the US Department of Justice. She supported OVC's efforts to improve and expand access to legal and social services for crime victims, provided training and technical assistance to service providers and government agencies nationwide, and supported OVC's intergovernmental efforts to improve services for victims of human trafficking. Jean provided leadership in the development of the Federal Strategic Action Plan for Services to Victims of Human Trafficking in the United States, the first OVC Human Trafficking Survivor Forum, and the OVC video series, "The Faces of Human Trafficking." Jean has over 15 years of victim services experience and expertise in nonprofit management, language access, immigration, human trafficking and domestic violence. She has developed comprehensive legal and social services programs for survivors, provided direct legal representation to survivors, authored training resources, developed an interpreter service to ensure access to legal services in the District of Columbia, and served as the Interim Executive Director of a non-profit in Washington DC. She is a graduate of the Georgetown University Law Center and Bryn Mawr College, and is a member of the DC and Maryland (inactive) bar associations.

Jeremy McLean Staff Attorney, Worker Justice Center of New York

Jeremy McLean is a staff attorney at Worker Justice Center of New York, Rochester Office. Jeremy graduated from Syracuse College of Law in May of 2013 after having completed graduate programs in International Studies and International Business at universities in Oklahoma and Mexico. He has extensive international experience having lived and studied in Mexico, Panama, Japan, and Israel. He has been actively involved with WJCNYS and its predecessor organization, Farmworker Legal Services of New York, for nearly six years as a legal intern, outreach worker, and health and safety trainer. Jeremy has advocated for many clients, focusing on agricultural and other low wage workers, through legal representation, rights education, and efforts to organize workers. Currently, Jeremy is assisting clients through the immigration remedies available to trafficking and other crime victims. He is also involved in pursuing civil redress for clients who have been trafficked.

Jennifer (JJ) Rosenbaum Robina Foundation Visiting Human Rights Fellow, Schell Center for International Human Rights, Yale Law School

Jennifer (JJ) Rosenbaum is a Robina Foundation Visiting Human Rights Fellow at the Schell Center for International Human Rights, Yale Law School where she focuses on a human rights approach to raising standards for low-wage workers on global supply chains- both global production networks and global labor subcontracting chains. Her research and consultations with worker organizations focus on legal, policy, and organizing approaches to raising workplace standards, overcoming forced labor, and promoting new forms of bargaining. She was previously the founding Legal and Policy Director for the National Guestworker Alliance and the New Orleans Workers' Center for Racial Justice where she was the legal strategist behind national campaigns the Justice @ Hershey's campaign where hundreds of foreign students won new regulations for the cultural exchange visa program and the CJ's seafood campaign highlighting forced labor in seafood processing on Walmart's U.S. supply chain. She has litigated cases before trial and appellate courts, lead national policy campaigns, and testified before the United States Congress on labor issues of migrant workers. In 2014, she was appointed by United States Secretary of Labor Thomas Perez to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's Whistleblower Protection Advisory Committee.

Jody Haskin Human Trafficking Specialist, International Organization for Adolescents

Jody is an expert in the issue of human trafficking including child trafficking and the commercial sexual exploitation of children. She currently serves as the Human Trafficking Specialist for the International Organization for Adolescents. Jody has a strong background in training and has educated over one thousand school-aged and college students on issues such as sexual health, suicide prevention, first aid and safety, student leadership, and human trafficking. Over the past several years, Jody has worked to support trainings and webinars on human trafficking awareness to direct service providers and to the public at-large. Jody earned her Masters degree in International Human Rights and Human Trafficking from the University of Denver Korbel School of International Studies where she developed her research thesis through the Human Trafficking Clinic. While in graduate school, Jody served as a Fellow of Human Trafficking Training and Technical Assistance at Polaris Project in Washington, D.C. Jody's foundation for her passion in social justice and human rights stems from the education she received while obtaining a Bachelor's of Social Work from Western Michigan University.

Speakers

John Freeman **Supervisory Special Agent, Trafficking in Persons Coordinator, Criminal Fraud Investigations (DS/CR/CFI), Diplomatic Security Service, U.S. Dept. of State**

John Freeman joined the Diplomatic Security Service, U.S. Department of State in 1999. His domestic assignments include the Washington, D.C. Field Office, the Joint Terrorism Task Force – Seattle, and Secretary of State Rice’s Protection Detail. He was posted overseas to U.S. Embassies in Nigeria and South Korea. He now coordinates human trafficking investigations from DS Headquarters, Criminal Investigations Division in Washington, D.C.

Kate D’Adamo **Program Director, Give Way to Freedom**

Kate D’Adamo is the Director of the New Hampshire Anti-Trafficking Task Force, where she supports collaborative anti-trafficking efforts involving service providers, law enforcement, and community organizations. Previously, Kate was the National Policy Advocate at the Sex Workers Project at the Urban Justice Center focusing on laws, policies and advocacy impacting those who trade sex, including the criminalization of sex work, anti-trafficking policies, and HIV-specific laws. Prior to joining the Sex Workers Project, Kate was a community organizer and advocate for people in the sex trade with the Sex Workers Outreach Project and Sex Workers Action New York. In this role, she developed programming to promote community building, provided peer support and advanced political advocacy to support the rights of people engaged in the sex trade both on and off the job. She has also worked on issues of labor and migration at the International Commission for Labor Rights, Global Workers Justice Alliance and the Open Society Foundation, and collaborative campaigns, as well as being a founding member of PERSIST Health Project. She holds a BA in Political Science from California Polytechnic State University and an MA in International Affairs from The New School University.

Kate Mogulescu **Supervising Attorney, Exploitation Intervention Project, The Legal Aid Society**

Kate Mogulescu is a supervising attorney in the Legal Aid Society’s Criminal Defense Practice, where she has represented indigent clients facing criminal prosecution for thirteen years. She is also an Adjunct Professor at the City College of New York. In 2011, Kate founded and developed the first anti-trafficking project to be implemented by a public defender organization. She continues to run the Exploitation Intervention Project, which represents victims of trafficking and exploitation among individuals prosecuted in New York City, and regularly trains public defenders, prosecutors, and other stakeholders in the criminal justice system, on best practices to prevent the criminalization of vulnerable populations. She has provided testimony before the New York City Council, the New York State Legislature and the United Nations Human Rights Committee. She also served as a 2016 Speaker/Specialist on Human Trafficking for the U.S. Embassy Public Affairs Section in India. Recently, Kate became the lead attorney on the Survivor Reentry Project at the American Bar Association Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence, a national training and technical assistance project on post-conviction advocacy for survivors of trafficking. Kate received her J.D. from Yale Law School and a B.A. from the State University of New York at Binghamton.

Katherine Chon **Director, Office on Trafficking in Persons, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services**

Katherine Chon is the Director of the Office on Trafficking in Persons (OTIP) within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. She advises the Assistant Secretary by providing subject matter expertise and overall leadership of anti-trafficking activities under the purview of ACF. OTIP is responsible for the development of anti-trafficking strategies, policies, and programs to prevent human trafficking, build health and human service capacity to respond to human trafficking, increase victim identification and access to services, and strengthen health and well-being outcomes of survivors of human trafficking. OTIP collaborates with Federal partners and other government and non-government stakeholders to raise public awareness, identify research priorities for ACF’s anti-trafficking work, and make policy recommendations to enhance anti-trafficking responses. Prior to government service, Katherine was the co-founder and President of Polaris, establishing the global organization’s innovative programs to assist victims of trafficking, expand anti-trafficking policies, and fundamentally change the way communities respond to modern slavery. Katherine received her Sc.B. in Psychology from Brown University and M.P.A. from Harvard Kennedy School.

Kathleen Morris **Senior Program Manager, International Rescue Committee**

Kathleen Morris has worked with survivors of human trafficking for nine years. She is the Senior Program Manager at the International Rescue Committee in Seattle and leads its anti-trafficking program known as the Washington Anti-Trafficking Response Network (WARN),

as well as IRC’s Refugee Intensive Case Management Program, Youth Program, and New Roots Garden & Wellness Program. WARN is a coalition of non-governmental organizations providing comprehensive services to survivors of human trafficking in Washington State. Kathleen oversees survivor services and outreach provided by WARN, leads collaborative anti-trafficking efforts as co-chair of the Washington Advisory Committee on Trafficking along with the US Attorney’s Office and Seattle Police Department, provides training and technical assistance to professionals and attorneys serving human trafficking survivors, and helps survivors work through myriad issues they face. She has provided training throughout Washington State, nationally, and internationally on responding to and serving victims and survivors of human trafficking. Kathleen serves on the board of the Freedom Network USA. She is an alum of the University of Washington (go Huskies), a graduate of Gonzaga University School of Law, and is licensed in New York State.

Katie Beth White **Paralegal Case Handler, Exploitation Intervention Project, The Legal Aid Society**

Katie Beth White is the paralegal case handler for The Legal Aid Society’s Exploitation Intervention Project, a public defender based project that represents individuals charged with prostitution-related offenses in New York City and survivors of trafficking. In this position, Katie Beth provides direct support to the project team and connects clients to services addressing individual need. In 2013, Katie Beth began volunteering with the Parole Preparation Project, collaborating with and advocating for people eligible for parole who are serving life sentences in New York State prisons.

Kimberly Drew **Senior Project Manager – Economic Security Policy, Heartland Alliance for Human Needs & Human Rights**

Kimberly Drew is the Senior Project Manager of Economic Security Policy at Heartland Alliance, where her work focuses on a wide range of anti-poverty issues, including workers’ rights, job quality, economic justice, human trafficking and access to public benefits. Kim spends a significant amount of time each year in Springfield working to advance anti-poverty policy and defend against the erosion of services. Kim also provides staff support and leadership to the Illinois Commission on the Elimination of Poverty, an independent state body working to cut extreme poverty. She is also a member of Illinois’ Statewide Human Trafficking Task Force and sits on the Labor Trafficking Subcommittee of Cook County’s Human Trafficking Task Force. Prior to her work in public policy, Kim logged over seven years of community organizing experience. She previously worked as the Associate Director for the Brighton Park Neighborhood Council, a grassroots community-based organization serving Chicago’s southwest side. Kim received her BA from Kalamazoo College and her Master’s in Public Policy and Administration from Northwestern University.

Kristin Heffernan **PhD, LMSW, The College at Brockport**

Kristin Heffernan is a professor at The College at Brockport, SUNY. She holds a MSW degree from Fordham University and a doctoral degree from Boston College. Dr. Heffernan’s specific research interests lie in social justice, human trafficking, women’s issues, promoting social work education & leadership. She is currently working on developing best practices for social workers working in Human Trafficking using a Trauma Informed Lens. Dr. Heffernan teaches Social Work Methods I & II, Human Behavior in the Social Environment I & II, Research Methods and Trauma theory, therapy and informed care. Her community-based practice has included clinical and administrative work with at risk youth and families in both New York and Boston.

Kristy Cho **MSW, OVC Human Trafficking Survivor-Informed Services Fellow**

Kristy Cho has over four years of experience in the anti-trafficking field, supporting and working with survivors of human trafficking in various capacities. Kristy served as a case manager with the Coalition to Abolish Slavery & Trafficking (CAST) in Los Angeles, CA, focusing on providing intensive, holistic, and victim-centered case management, crisis intervention, and advocacy services for survivors of human trafficking while working collaboratively with CAST legal staff. Kristy provided specialized training and technical assistance for key partners on topics such as: cultural humility, accessing VOCA funds, implementing trauma-informed practices, and incorporating survivor voices for future program development. Additionally, she served as a CAST Data Specialist, analyzing and evaluating program metrics and key outcomes of social service and survivor leadership programs to improve the effectiveness of trauma-informed services. Kristy holds an undergraduate degree in Social Welfare from the University of California, Berkeley, and a Master of Social Work from the University of Southern California. Currently, as a Fellow, Kristy works with OVC and the larger victim services field to develop a shared definition of “Survivor-Informed Services.” She will explore models and share best practices for effective and meaningful survivor engagement in programs and service delivery. Kristy looks forward to supporting OVC in the development of strategies for ongoing survivor engagement.

Speakers

Laura Berger **Staff Attorney, Immigrant Women and Children Project, City Bar Justice Center**

Laura Berger is the staff attorney for the Immigrant Women and Children Project at the City Bar Justice Center in New York City. Laura represents survivors of human trafficking, domestic violence, abuse and neglect in immigration matters and advocates for them as victim-witnesses with law enforcement. She has also represented immigrants in removal hearings in immigration court, family petitions, and employment petitions. Laura received her J.D. from Fordham Law School in 2012.

Laura Vidal **National Projects Coordinator, The Freedom Partnership, The Salvation Army**

Laura Vidal is a Social Worker with a Master’s Degree in Human Rights Law and Policy. For the last 8 years Laura has worked to support men, women, children and families who have experienced human trafficking and slavery in Australia. For 4 years Laura was a Social Worker at Australia’s only Safe House for Trafficking and Slavery operated by The Salvation Army, developing and delivering support programs to survivors. In 2014, Laura travelled to Jordan on assignment with the International Labor Organisation to provide technical assistance and training for government, embassies and community organisations working with exploited migrant domestic workers. Laura currently holds the position of National Projects Coordinator for The Freedom Partnership-to End Modern Slavery, a unique initiative of The Salvation Army responding to modern slavery in Australia. In this role, Laura’s focus has turned to developing best practice solutions for individuals facing early and forced marriage. Laura is a member of the Australian Association of Social Workers, a 2016 Churchill Fellow and former member of the board for the United Nations Association of Australian Young Professionals, and the Fair Trade Association of Australia and New Zealand.

Lindsay Adams **Senior Investigator/Analyst and Director of Development, Fair Food Standards Council**

Lindsay Adams is a Senior Investigator/Analyst and Director of Development at the Fair Food Standards Council (FFSC), which monitors and enforces groundbreaking human rights agreements between agricultural workers, growers, and corporate buyers of produce, and which has been widely recognized as one of the “most successful and innovative programs” in the world today to uncover and prevent modern-day slavery. At FFSC, Adams has led field investigations of forced labor, systemic wage theft, violence and sexual assault, illegal recruitment and extortion within the H-2A federal guestworker program, and pesticide poisoning. Before joining FFSC, Adams worked extensively with human rights and economic development organizations in the United States and Latin America, and previously served as the Executive Director of the HEAR Foundation, which designed and managed programs in agriculture, nutrition, and education for women in rural Guatemala.

Lisa Coffman **Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**

Lisa Coffman is a Program Specialist in the Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPS) at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). SNAPS is the office that manages HUD’s homeless programs. Her primary role as Program Specialist is serving as Desk Officer for the State of Illinois. In addition to her Desk Officer role, she is SNAPS’ subject matter expert on domestic violence, human trafficking and HIV/AIDS. Her work as subject matter expert includes responsibility for ensuring the needs of those populations are addressed within HUD’s homeless programs and the coordination and intersection of those populations within mainstream homeless service systems. Before coming to HUD in 2010, Lisa was responsible for the City of Evansville (Indiana’s) CBDG, HOME and ESG funding, served as the Director of Programs for the Indiana State Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and was a senior staff member at the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority. She has over 20 years’ experience in affordable housing, community development and HIV/AIDS programs and services. She is a former member of the Board of Directors of Dress for Success (Indianapolis), the Damien Center, which is the largest AIDS service organization in Indiana and the Evansville (Indiana) African American Museum.

Lisa M. Newstrom **Managing Attorney, Bay Area Legal Aid | Santa Clara County Regional Office**

Lisa Newstrom joined Bay Area Legal Aid in 2009 as a Public Benefits Attorney and has served as Managing Attorney of the Santa Clara County Regional Office since 2013. In her practice, Lisa represents clients in matters regarding safety-net programs such as SSI, CalWORKS, CalFresh, Medi-Cal and General Assistance. Lisa serves on several regional task forces including the South Bay Coalition to End Human Trafficking and the Santa Clara County Public Benefits Task Force. She has trained hundreds of attorneys, advocates, and social services providers on legal issues in public benefits, particularly for immigrants, youths with disabilities, and survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking. Prior to her legal career, Lisa worked with low-income immigrant families as a bilingual/ESL special education teacher.

Lisa Palumbo **Supervisory Attorney, Immigrants and Workers’ Rights Practice Group, LAF**

Lisa Palumbo is a Supervisor in LAF’s Immigrants and Workers’ Rights Practice Group. She has been a supervisor at LAF since 1997, having worked as staff attorney since 1992. Prior to joining LAF, Lisa worked as a staff attorney at Travelers and Immigrants Aid in Chicago. In 1989, she left Chicago to work for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Hong Kong, consulting with the Hong Kong Immigration Service on detained Vietnamese asylum seekers. She later returned to the States to work for Casa de Proyecto Libertad in Harlingen, Texas, where she represented detained Central American asylum seekers before the Immigration Court. In 1994, Lisa took a brief leave of absence from LAF to work again for the UNHCR on Guantanamo, as a consultant regarding Haitian asylum seekers detained on the U.S. naval base.

Lisa has represented immigrants in a wide variety of removal defense cases before the Immigration Court, the Board of Immigration Appeals, and at the U.S. Court of Appeals. She currently focuses on the intersection of immigration and employment law, including outreach to migrant farmworkers and other low-wage workers, to victims of sex harassment and sexual assault, and supervises the agency’s newest project, TSAP, the Trafficking Survivors’ Assistance Program.

Lynette M. Parker **Associate Clinical Professor, Katharine and George Alexander Community Law Center, Santa Clara University, School of Law**

Lynette M. Parker is Clinical Faculty (Immigration Practice Area) of the Alexander Community Law Center, Santa Clara University, School of Law. She has been teaching and supervising law students handling immigration cases since March 2000. She has co-authored “Representing Survivors of Human Trafficking: A Promising Practices Handbook,” 1st edition published in 2010 and 2nd edition in 2014 by Immigrant Legal Resource Center (ILRC), and has authored a Georgetown Immigration Law Journal article titled “Increasing Law Students Effectiveness When Representing Traumatized Clients: A Case Study of the Katharine & George Alexander Community Law Center.” Ms. Parker has been a member of the South Bay Coalition to End Human Trafficking since 2005, and a commission member of the Santa Clara County Human Trafficking Commission since 2014. She was awarded the FBI’s Community Leadership Award for 2014 for her working in serving survivors of human trafficking.

Lynly S. Egyes **Director of Legal Services, Sex Workers Project at Urban Justice Center**

Lynly S. Egyes, Esq., is the legal director at the Sex Workers Project at the Urban Justice Center. Prior to becoming legal director, Ms. Egyes managed SWP’s criminal immigration program which provides legal advocacy, advice, and information to sex workers and survivors of human trafficking on a variety of issues, including immigration, criminal law, victim’s rights, and family reunification. Ms. Egyes launched SWP’s the LGBT Anti-Trafficking Program and created SWP’s Rapid Court Response initiative. She and has served 100’s of survivors of trafficking in applications for SIJS, permanent residency, asylum, U visa, T visa, VAWA, and clients in deportation proceedings. Ms. Egyes is a trained facilitator with fifteen years of experience conducting trainings throughout the United States and Mexico. She also authored a chapters in the books, Broadening the Scope of Human Trafficking and Social Work Practice and co-authored the report, Immigration on ICE: A Report on Immigration Home Raids Operations. Prior to joining the Sex Workers Project, Lynly managed the student leadership program at the Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Education Network (GLSEN).

"True justice requires economic and social systems that prevent human trafficking in the first place."

- Tiffany Williams Goetzinger

Speakers

Marita Canedo Coordinator of Outreach and Ally Education, and Community Help-line Coordinator, Migrant Justice

Marita is from Bolivia where she got an A.D. in Graphic Design and worked as an Art Educator for low-income children. She also has a B.A in Fine Arts from St. Michael’s College in Vermont. In 2005 Marita became part of an Educational Immigrant Women’s Group and a People of Color Artists Guild in Ohio. In 2010, Marita moved to Vermont and started volunteering with the Vermont Workers Center help line where she polished her skills in effective immediate response, direct action, and understanding Vermont labor laws.

During her time at Saint Michael’s College, Marita focused her work on migration and human geography. She also co-founded the project SFA (Spanish for Activists) teaching Spanish through the history of Social Movements in Latin America. Her final project encompassed a community garden where the main crops were harvested and shared, a symbol of sharing our roots. After graduation, Marita joined Migrant Justice, where she had worked part-time while getting her degree. She formed an immigrant women’s group with members from dairy farms and works with local Vermont organizations to educate and bring awareness of this population in order to create systems that meet the needs of these dairy farm workers. Additionally, she has developed efficient protocols for responding to the Migrant Justice help line and has successfully helped dairy farm workers in filing and resolving wage theft claims through DOL. She is also currently working on two cases of possible labor trafficking with the support from the Freedom Network.

Martina Vandenberg Founder and President, The Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center

Martina Vandenberg, an attorney, is the founder and president of The Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center, HT Pro Bono. Prior to her OSF fellowship, she was a partner in Jenner & Block LLP’s Washington, D.C. office, where she focused on FCPA matters. Vandenberg also maintained an extensive pro bono practice representing women trafficked to the United States for forced labor. She has successfully represented trafficking victims in federal immigration, civil, and criminal cases. She currently co-chairs the IBA Presidential Task Force on Human Trafficking. Vandenberg has spent nearly two decades advocating against human trafficking, forced labor, and violence against women. As the Europe Researcher for Human Rights Watch’s Women’s Rights Division, she participated in the negotiations for the United Nations Trafficking Protocol in Vienna, Austria. Vandenberg also conducted extensive human rights investigations in the Russian Federation, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Uzbekistan, Kosovo, Israel, and Ukraine. While living in Moscow, Vandenberg co-founded Syostri, one of Russia’s first rape crisis centers. Vandenberg has testified on human rights issues before multiple Congressional committees. In 2015, Vandenberg received the Katharine and George Alexander Law Prize for her work combating human trafficking. She is a Rhodes Scholar and a Truman Scholar.

Mary Caparas Project Free Manager, WOMANKIND (Formerly New York Asian Women’s Center)

Mary Caparas is the Project Free (Anti-Human Trafficking) Manager at Womankind, a pan-Asian agency on the East Coast that serves both labor and sex trafficked survivors. At Womankind, Mary has worked directly with community members who have faced exploitation and abuse, oversees the Asian Women’s Empowerment Program, and continues to raise awareness about this community issue. Mary earned her M.S.W. from the Silberman School of Social Work at Hunter College with a concentration in Community Organizing, Planning and Development. She is currently a co-chair of the social services committee of the Freedom Network. Mary has worked with diverse communities on issues of health care, education and immigration both in New York City and in London, UK.

Megan K. Mattimoe J.D., Executive Director, Advocating Opportunity

Megan K. Mattimoe, founded Advocating Opportunity, a program in Toledo, Ohio which is dedicated to advising and protecting trafficked and exploited persons. Founded in 2011, AO was the first organization in Ohio to provide holistic, comprehensive, trauma-informed legal services to all trafficked and exploited persons. As Executive Director and Staff Attorney at AO, Ms. Mattimoe provides direct legal services and advocacy for both minors and adults, females and males, and domestic and international trafficking victims; provides technical consultation on trafficking cases; and advocates for policy and legislative initiatives regarding trafficking at the local, state, and federal levels. Ms. Mattimoe serves on the Legal and Legislative Subcommittee of the Ohio Human Trafficking Commission, the Protocols Subcommittee of the Lucas County Human Trafficking Coalition, and the Policy Committee of the Freedom Network. She has worked closely in conjunction with law enforcement and government officials to identify the best practices for prosecuting human traffickers and protecting individuals, including her efforts to assist in writing, and passing, Ohio’s Safe Harbor Law, one of the most sweeping revisions of such laws in the United States, and Ohio’s End Demand Act.

Meghan Mahoney Director, Trauma Support Services, Heartland Alliance

Megan Mahoney is Director of Trauma Support Services at Chicago-based Heartland Alliance—the leading anti-poverty organization in the Midwest. In this role, Ms. Mahoney ensures the quality provision of human-rights-based services to survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking, and advocates for interventions that are survivor-informed and grounded in survivor empowerment. In addition, Ms. Mahoney works with USCRI to implement the National Human Trafficking Victim Assistance Program across 32 states. She believes that creating a world free from slavery will take all of us, and welcomes community leaders and committed citizens from all backgrounds and areas of expertise to join the fight to end human trafficking.

Prior to joining Heartland Alliance in 2011, Ms. Mahoney provided individual counseling and case management to survivors of trafficking, torture, and domestic violence. She completed her Master’s in Social Work with a concentration in International Social Welfare and Services to Immigrants and Refugees at Columbia University, and earned her BA in Spanish and Latin American Studies at Indiana University.

Meredith Dank PhD, Research Professor, John Jay College

Meredith Dank is a Research Professor at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City. A well-known authority on the topic of Human Trafficking, Dr. Dank has conducted research in eight countries and has taken part in an Obama White House stakeholder meeting on victim services for survivors. At John Jay, she is the Principal Investigator on Sex Trafficking in Indian Country: Community-Based Participatory Needs Assessments with AI/AN Communities, which is the first study to focus on the sex trafficking of American Indian women and children. Prior to joining John Jay, Dr. Dank spent seven years as a researcher with the Urban Institute. At Urban Institute, she served as Principal investigator on over a dozen studies overseen by the US Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of State.

Meredith Stewart Senior Staff Attorney, Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC)

Meredith B. Stewart is a senior staff attorney with the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC), Immigrant Justice Project. Since 2011, Meredith has represented hundreds of H-2B guest workers and J-1 student guest workers in the hospitality, seafood, landscaping, and forestry industries in lawsuits, agency complaints, and other advocacy regarding violations of federal law and regulations. In 2016, she testified in front of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration about the H-2B guest worker program. Meredith was also part of the trial team that won a \$14 million verdict on behalf of H-2B workers from India against Signal International, the largest-ever jury verdict on a labor trafficking case. She has co-authored two SPLC reports on guest workers – Close to Slavery: Guestworker Programs in the United States and Culture Shock: The Exploitation of J-1 Cultural Exchange Workers. Before becoming an attorney, Meredith was an Organizing Director and organizer for UNITE HERE.

Mike Posanka JD, Resident Agent in Charge, ICE - Homeland Security Investigations

Mike Posanka is the Resident Agent in Charge (RAC) for Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) in Manchester, NH. Among other areas, HSI is a lead federal agency for Human Trafficking, Child Exploitation, and Narcotics investigations nationwide. HSI Manchester is responsible for investigating these cases throughout NH. After graduating in 1997 from St. Anselm College in Manchester, NH, Mike started his federal law enforcement career as an Agent with the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) in San Francisco, CA. While continuing his work as an agent, he attained his law degree from Golden Gate University School of Law in 2003. Mike was promoted to serve for three years at HSI Headquarters, Washington, D.C., and then assigned Group Supervisor over both Child Exploitation and Gangs at HSI in Boston, MA. He has served as the RAC of Manchester, NH since February 2014. As the RAC, Mike has worked to bridge the gap between law enforcement and the healthcare community, particularly in regards to promoting utilization of a trauma-informed approach, recognition and proper services referral of human trafficking victims, statewide task force participation, trainings, and community outreach.

Speakers

Narbada Chhetri Director of Organizing & Advocacy, Adhikaar

Narbada Chhetri leads the workers' rights program at Adhikaar, advocating for the rights of the community's sisters and brothers and assisting with access to services. She led Adhikaar in successfully campaigning for the New York State Domestic Workers Bill of Rights, and currently represents Adhikaar on the National Domestic Workers Alliance board of directors. She has completed the 2012-13 Union Leadership Institute at Cornell University and the 2014 Coro Immigrant Leadership Program. Prior to coming to the U.S. in 2006, Narbada worked as a human rights activist in Nepal for 15 years. She currently lives in Woodside, Queens, with her daughter.

Nat Paul National Survivor Network, Policy Chair

Nat Paul is a transgender identified survival sex/trafficking survivor. She has worked with Office for Victims of Crime during their Jan 2016 Survivor Forum. She was a part of the SOAR (Stop, Observe, Ask, and Respond to Human Trafficking) Technical Working Group under the Department of Health and Human Services 2016. She has given Survivor input into video awareness campaigns for Department of Homeland Securities Blue Campaign as well as input for the Health and Human Services awareness campaign. She is a member of the National Survivors Network under Coalition to Abolish and Slavery & Trafficking; as a member of National Survivor Network she has assisted in a lobbying campaign to help Senator Gillibrand promote vacate legislation to assist survivor's lives federally. She has also presented as a survivor leader for the training of dealing with victims of trafficking, at the National Network for Youth's Summit on Homelessness in DC. Nat is working to establish PRISM: Pride and Respect for Individuals in Sexual Minorities that will assist in research, awareness, and long term aftercare of LGBTQ survivors of trafficking in persons.

Noelle Fries Manager of Training and Community Outreach, Anti-Trafficking Program at Safe Horizon

Noelle Fries is the Manager of Training and Community Outreach at Safe Horizon's Anti-Trafficking Program (ATP). In this role, she works to is to raise awareness with communities, professionals, and systems about Human Trafficking; its effects on a person and our society; and how they can participate in ending human exploitation. Partnering with survivors and using a trauma-informed lens, Noelle uses her previous roles with direct service, criminal justice advocacy, and youth prevention to inform all she does. Additionally, she is active in an art collective for community justice, is a trained doula, and volunteers with Willie Mae Girls Rock Camp in NYC. She has previously worked as Prevention and Direct Service Coordinator at NYC Alliance Against Sexual Assault, Legal Advocate at Justice Now and Trainer/Educator at Expect Respect San Francisco. She holds a BA in Race, Gender and Sexuality Studies from Mills College, California.

Olivia Wilson Staff Attorney, Safe Horizon

Olivia Wilson has been a Staff Attorney in the Safe Horizon Anti-Trafficking Program since 2014, where she represents victims of human trafficking pursuing various forms of immigration relief. Prior to joining Safe Horizon, Olivia represented survivors of domestic violence in family and immigration law matters at STEPS to End Family Violence. Before working at STEPS, she worked as a Matrimonial Attorney at a matrimonial and family law firm in New York and in civil litigation in Toronto. She acted as Senior Legal and Policy Fellow at the Polaris Project in 2009 and holds an LL.M. from American University and a J.D. from the University of Ottawa.

Patricia Medige Attorney, Denver, Colorado

Patricia Medige, Esq. has been an advocate for low-wage workers and crime victims at Colorado nonprofits since 1995. She represents foreign national and domestic human trafficking survivors in civil litigation, criminal justice advocacy, benefits issues, crime victim immigration petitions and other civil matters. Ms. Medige is an appointee to the Colorado gubernatorial Human Trafficking Council and is a past co-chair of the Freedom Network (USA) (2011-2013). She was honored to be a co-recipient of the Paul and Sheila Wellstone Award in 2009 and received the Outstanding Member award from the American Immigration Lawyers Association, Colorado Chapter, in 2016.

Pooja Dadhania Clinical Teaching Fellow and Supervising Attorney, Georgetown Law, Center for Applied Legal Studies

Pooja Dadhania is a Clinical Teaching Fellow and Supervising Attorney at Georgetown Law's Center for Applied Legal Studies, an asylum clinic. She teaches classes for the clinic and supervises students working on asylum cases. Before coming to Georgetown, Pooja was an Equal Justice Works Fellow at the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles (LAFLA), where she provided direct legal services to survivors of domestic and gender-based violence including forced marriage, female genital mutilation, and honor-based violence. At LAFLA, she also developed and conducted trainings on forced marriage for advocates in the Los Angeles area. Prior to her work at LAFLA, Pooja was a law clerk at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and at the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California. She was previously with the law firm of Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton in Washington, D.C. Pooja received her J.D. from Columbia Law School, and her B.A. from the University of Virginia.

Priya Rai Anti-Trafficking Community Organizer & Advocate, API Chaya

Priya Rai is an Anti-trafficking Community Organizer & Advocate at API Chaya, who got a B.A. from the University of California, Berkeley and a J.D. from the University of Washington School of Law. She is a queer, mixed race, chronically ill, prison abolitionist who is dreaming wildly and fighting to win. She is dedicated to building power in queer and immigrant communities by mobilizing against violence, and through finding transformative community-based solutions to harm. She believes in the inherent power of the people and our communities to create a world where no one is disposable. Priya is passionate about framing the issue of human trafficking in the larger struggle for labor justice, and ensuring we approach the issue with an intersectional perspective.

Rafaela Rodriguez Human Rights Investigator, Milk with Dignity Program

Rafaela has a B.A. in Psychology from UC Berkeley and a masters degree in Social Welfare from the Luskin School of Public Affairs at UCLA. Rafaela has over five years of experience working with vulnerable populations across the globe and in different capacities. Rafaela's wide range of experiences all merge at the intersection of vulnerability, service access, and risk mitigation of potential trauma. At UC Berkeley, Rafaela gained interest in the challenges faced by rural communities in East Africa which lead her to working in rural Uganda after graduation. Here, she worked for ACCESS (African Community Center for Social Sustainability), a Ugandan organization, where she helped develop income-generating activities for HIV+ orphans and their caregivers.

During her time at UCLA, Rafaela focused her work with Latino immigrants, this interest led her to work in Nicaragua during the summer where she collaborated with the UCLA BLUM Center and the Center for Demographic and Health Research in Leon. She was tasked with investigating current programs working to mitigate the rising teenage pregnancy rates. Her work highlighted the disconnect between what teenagers see as priorities for healthy relationships and what the stakeholders are able to provide to this population. During her last year at UCLA, Rafaela interned at CAST (The Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking), where she provided social services to human trafficking survivors. Upon graduation, Rafaela joined the Milk with Dignity Program and has been developing the worker-led social responsibility model to be implemented in Vermont's dairy industry.

Rebecca DeSimone Director of Human Trafficking Program, My Sisters' Place

Rebecca de Simone is the Director of the Human Trafficking Program with My Sisters' Place in Westchester County, NY and oversees client services and case management. She has held numerous roles within the anti-violence movement as a counselor, victim advocate, educator/trainer, and program director on behalf of people impacted by intimate partner violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking, including runaway and homeless youth. Rebecca utilizes a trauma-informed approach in her practice and views anti-violence work and recovery from trauma through a lens of intersectionality and justice. She holds a Master's degree in Social Work from The University of Connecticut and NYS Social Work Licensure. She also represents MSP on the New York Anti-Trafficking Coalition Steering Committee, the Freedom Network, and as co-chair of the Westchester County Anti-Trafficking Task Force.

Speakers

Renan Salgado Senior Human Trafficking Specialist, Worker Justice Center of New York

Renan Salgado was born in Ecuador and migrated to the United States in 1984. He is the Senior Human Trafficking Specialist at the Worker Justice Center, formerly known as Farmworker Legal Services, and has been investigating cases of migrant farmworker exploitation since January of 2000. Renan has been dedicating his career to the fight against human trafficking in agriculture, and recently has expanded his investigations to other industries, mostly focusing on labor trafficking. He is responsible for the creation of multiple Human Trafficking Taskforces throughout NY, working in cases together with agents from the FBI, Homeland Security, State Police, and local law enforcement units throughout the state. Renan has also been training local, state, and federal Law Enforcement agents since 2007, and has been a keynote speaker and panelist at various National and International Human Trafficking conferences.

Roger Passero Assistant Special Agent-In-Charge, Office of Investigations-Labor Racketeering and Fraud, U.S. Department of Labor Office of Inspector General (Florida)

Roger Passero is an Assistant Special Agent-In-Charge with the Office of Investigations-Labor Racketeering and Fraud, U.S. Department of Labor Office of Inspector General (“OIG) in south east Florida. Roger has become a recognized authority in the investigation of Visa Fraud and Foreign Labor Certification investigations, as well as labor trafficking investigations. Roger has initiated and investigated numerous high impact and high profile criminal cases for the OIG over his tenure. Roger has received several commendations and awards to include Law Enforcement Officer of the year for the Southern District of Florida, Department of Labor, OIG Special Achievement Award, and the Department of Labor Secretary’s Honor Award. Several of Roger’s investigations have been highlighted in the Department of Labor, OIG Semi Annual Report to Congress. Roger holds a master’s degree in International Business and Management from Lynn University and a bachelor’s degree in finance from Florida Atlantic University. He began his OIG career in 2005 in the Miami Field Office. Prior to that, he was employed by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection as an inspector.

Sameera Hafiz Advocacy Director, National Domestic Workers Alliance

Sameera Hafiz is the Advocacy Director at the National Domestic Workers Alliance (NDWA). In this role, Sameera directs the Beyond Survival campaign to end the human trafficking of domestic workers and oversees the policy work of the We Belong Together campaign to mobilize women in support of reforms that honor the needs of immigrant women. Prior to joining NDWA Sameera provided independent consulting services to an array of non-governmental organizations and philanthropic institutions by sharing her experience in immigration policy, combatting violence against women and racial justice work. Previously Sameera served as the Director of Policy and Campaigns at Rights Working Group, a national coalition that addresses racial profiling and other human rights violations affecting communities of color in the United States. Sameera was also a Senior Staff Attorney with the Legal Momentum Immigrant Women Program where she provided training and technical assistance to service providers and law enforcement officials on issues impacting immigrant women, in addition to seeking policy reforms benefiting survivors of gender-based violence. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and of the Georgetown University Law Center, Sameera began her career providing free legal services to homeless families, survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking and immigrants. Sameera, a mother of two, is fluent in Bengali and currently resides in Washington, DC.

Sara E. Gilmer Senior Program Specialist, Office for Victims of Crime, U.S. Department of Justice

Sara Gilmer is a Senior Program Specialist with the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) within the U.S. Department of Justice. As a member of the trafficking team within the National Programs Division, Ms. Gilmer advises on human trafficking policy, engages with federal partners on anti-trafficking initiatives and reports, and monitors victim assistance grants and programs. Before joining OVC, Ms. Gilmer was a Foreign Affairs Officer driving engagement on human trafficking in Latin America, Canada, and parts of Europe with the U.S. State Department’s Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons (J/TIP). She has extensive experience as a policy advisor, managing trafficking engagement in numerous countries, and drafting narratives for the annual Trafficking in Persons (TIP) Report. Before joining the State Department, Ms. Gilmer worked as a Program Consultant for a non-governmental organization in Brazil that focused on preventing trafficking, with a strong focus on women’s rights. Ms. Gilmer holds an M.A. in Ethics, Peace, and Global Affairs from American University and a B.A. from the College of William and Mary.

Sarah Bessell Staff Attorney, The Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center

Sarah Bessell is a staff attorney at The Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center, where she conducts research on accountability for human trafficking victims. Bessell has a background in international human rights and conflict prevention. She spent time in Cambodia, where she worked in the Office of the International Co-Prosecutor of the Khmer Rouge Tribunal. Prior to this, she worked on international conflict resolution issues at the University for Peace in Ethiopia and at the U.S. Institute of Peace. Bessell holds a J.D. from the George Washington University Law School and an M.A. (Conflict Resolution) from Georgetown University.

Sarah Brenes Refugee & Immigrant Program Director, The Advocates of Human Rights

Sarah Brenes represents refugees seeking asylum, detainees, and people with various immigration issues. She leads efforts to recruit attorneys to volunteer for The Advocates for Human Rights’ to represent refugees and immigrants. She also leads training and support for the volunteer attorneys. Prior to joining The Advocates, Brenes was a clinical law fellow at the University of St. Thomas School of Law. She taught and supervised students in the Immigration Law Practice Group, representing clients seeking asylum, family reunification benefits, and visas of victims of trafficking and violent crimes. She supervised students representing clients detained in immigration custody during their initial hearings before the immigration judge as part of the Minnesota Detention Project. Brenes has worked with non-profit organizations and private immigration firms serving immigrant clients. She worked with the Migrant Unit of Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services in North Dakota and Minnesota and with the Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota through a clerkship sponsored by the Minnesota Justice Foundation (MJF). In addition, she clerked at Centro Legal, Inc. as an Equal Justice Works Summer Corps Program Fellow. Brenes received her J.D. from the University of St. Thomas School of Law where was awarded the John R. Roach Fellowship for pursuit of a career in public interest. Sarah has a master’s degree in human rights and peace education from the National University in Costa Rica. She graduated with honors and earned her bachelor’s degree in international affairs from the George Washington University.

Sarah R. Cope Special Agent, U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service

Sarah Cope has been a Special Agent with US Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service since 2005 and transferred to the Minneapolis Resident Office in 2010. She primarily investigates H and L visa related crimes, such as visa fraud, which includes labor trafficking. Prior to joining Diplomatic Security Service, Agent Cope worked for the U.S. Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Inspector General. She is also a retired United States Marine Corps Officer.

Savannah Sanders Director of Community Outreach and Human Trafficking Services, Sojourner Center

Savannah Sanders is the Director of Community Outreach and Human Trafficking Services at Sojourner Center, one of the nation’s largest and longest running domestic violence shelters, serving more than 10,000 women and children impacted by domestic violence each year. Savannah is a leading advocate in the effort to stop human trafficking in the United States. She has been involved in anti-trafficking training in Arizona and nationwide since 2010, and is particularly passionate about trauma-informed care and survivor leadership. Savannah’s duties at Sojourner Center include overseeing the SAFE (Safeguarding Adolescents from Exploitation) Action Project, a training and education program for the hospitality industry and the community at large on the warning signs of human trafficking so that suspected incidents can be reported. The Sojourner Center SAFE Action Project underscores the reality that domestic violence takes many forms. Over the years, many survivors of human trafficking have found shelter with Sojourner Center. After overcoming devastating hardships in her youth (including child sex trafficking), Savannah is now living a full life as a victim’s advocate, exemplifying survivor leadership both personally and professionally. Savannah earned her undergraduate degree from Arizona State University (ASU) with a Major in Social Work and Minor in Women and Gender Studies in 2014 and is pursuing concurrent Master’s Degrees in Social Work and Social and Cultural Pedagogy at ASU in the near future. She is the author of Sex Trafficking Prevention: A Trauma-Informed Approach for Parents and Professionals (Unhooked Books, 2015).

Speakers

Steve W. Cagen Acting Chief, Human Trafficking Unit, Homeland Security Investigations

Steve W. Cagen is currently the Acting Chief of the Human Trafficking Unit at Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) on temporary assignment from his position as Deputy Special Agent in Charge in Seattle. As the Deputy Special Agent in Charge for Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) in Seattle Washington, Mr. Cagen leads over 250 Special Agents, Intelligence Analysts and Administrative staff in 14 field offices covering the full spectrum of HSI investigative activities in Washington, Oregon, Alaska and Idaho. He also oversees numerous HSI-led multiagency tasks forces, which include state, local and federal law enforcement members working together to target cross-border criminal organizations that exploit the legitimate travel, commercial trade and financial systems in the three state region. Mr. Cagen has successfully created and supported many multi-agency human trafficking task forces in the various positions he has held. Prior to his assignment in Seattle, Mr. Cagen served as the Assistant Special Agent in Charge in Portland Oregon, the Deputy Special Agent in Charge of the multi-agency Special Operations Division, Assistant Attaché in Mexico City and Monterrey Mexico. Mr. Cagen started his career in 1998 as a co-op with the Immigration and Naturalization Service and then a Special Agent in Seattle, Washington.

Susan French Consultant

Susan French is a human trafficking consultant who provides training and technical assistance within the United States and overseas. French is a former United States Department of Justice prosecutor with the Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit, Criminal Section, Civil Rights Division, who has successfully brought high impact and cutting edge labor trafficking cases. Among her cases are: United States v. Calimlim a non-violent domestic servitude case involving a Filipina woman held in servitude for 19 years; United States v. Kil Soo Lee , a sweatshop involuntary servitude case involving over 200 victims from Vietnam and China who were subjected to food deprivation, non-payment of wages, and severe beatings - the largest victim class case ever prosecuted in the United States; United States v. Evans a violent labor case in which the defendant family for more than 15 years recruited homeless U.S. citizens to work in agricultural fields then paid them with crack cocaine and alcohol; and United States v. Nnaji, a domestic servitude case involving a Nigerian woman who was threatened, sexually abused, and paid a total of \$300 USD for over eight years of exploitation and servitude. French more recently supervised at the Anti-Trafficking Project at the International Human Rights Clinic, GWU Law School in Washington D.C. She has served as counsel in a federal civil human trafficking case, which in February 2017, a federal judge in the Middle District of Florida, awarded \$3.5 million dollars in damages to 5 farm laborers that French and her co-counsel represented (and that CIW played an essential role). French graduated from the American University in 1970 and the Marshall Wythe School of Law, College of William and Mary in 1974. She is a recipient of the Freedom Network’s Wellstone award.

Susie Baldwin MD, MPH, Co-founder & Board President, HEAL Trafficking

Susie Baldwin is a Public Health and Preventive Medicine physician whose career has focused on sexual and reproductive health, women’s health, epidemiology, and supporting survivors of human trafficking through clinical care, research, training and advocacy. Susie is Co-Founder and Board President of HEAL Trafficking, where she has led development of the Protocol Toolkit for Responding to HT Victims in Health Care Settings. She works as the Sexually Transmitted Disease Controller for the LA County Department of Public Health. Previously, Susie served as the Principal Investigator for the LA County Health Survey, as Medical Director for the California Family Health Council and Planned Parenthood of Southern Arizona, and as a US-Mexico border doctor. Her research has included HPV and cervical cancer prevention, access to emergency contraception, identification of trafficking victims, and psychological tactics used by traffickers. Susie attended Columbia University in NYC, SUNY Downstate College of Medicine in Brooklyn, and the Zuckerman College of Public Health at the University of Arizona. There, she completed a cancer prevention research fellowship, focused on HPV infection in women and men, and then a women’s health services research fellowship at UCLA and the VA, where she studied access to emergency contraception in California and also began her work on human trafficking. Susie was honored with Freedom Network’s Paul and Sheila Wellstone Award in 2011, and in 2016 received a CSEC Champion Award from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. You can view her TEDMED talk on trafficking and health care at <http://tedmed.com/talks/show?id=627336>

Tanya Broder Senior Staff Attorney, National Immigration Law Center

Tanya Broder specializes in the laws and policies affecting access to health care, public benefits, and education for low-income immigrants across the United States. She writes articles and policy analyses, provides technical assistance, co-counsels on litigation, and presents trainings to legal and social service providers, government agencies, legislative staff, and community-based organizations. Before joining NILC in 1996, she worked as a policy analyst for the Northern California Coalition for Immigrant Rights and as a staff attorney for the Legal Aid Society of Alameda County in Oakland. Ms. Broder holds a juris doctor degree from Yale Law School.

Tara Hughes LCSW-R, Coordinator of Human Trafficking Programs, International Institute of Buffalo

Tara Hughes, LCSW-R is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and works as the Coordinator for Human Trafficking Services at the International Institute of Buffalo. She regularly presents to groups about Human Trafficking, and coordinates service provision for survivors in the seventeen counties of Western New York. She has worked in the mental health field with families and children in crisis in many different capacities for the last 28 years, with a focus on trauma, interpersonal and community violence. She received her Masters of Social Work degree and Family Therapy Certification from Boston University in 1992. She has been an Adjunct Professor at the University at Buffalo School of Social Work since 2004 and is a lecturer in the UB School of Social Work Continuing Education Department and the Trauma Informed Care Certificate Program.

Yolanda Villa Attorney Emeritus, Worker Justice Center of New York

Yolanda Villa joined the staff of the Worker Justice Center of New York in 2007, to work with its Domestic Violence Project. Her current position is with WJCNY’s Human Trafficking Project, supported by a grant from the DOJ OVC to provide legal services to victims of Human Trafficking. Yolanda’s focus is on immigration remedies such as the U and T visa, but also offers legal services such as wage claims, civil trafficking remedies and civil rights litigation. Prior to joining the Worker Justice Center as a staff member, Yolanda served for over twenty years as a member of its board of directors, while employed at the Monroe County Public Defender’s office from 1983 through 2005. At the Public Defender’s office, Yolanda represented clients in local and superior criminal courts at both the trial and appellate levels. She obtained her J.D. Cum Laude from S.U.N.Y. at Buffalo Law School in 1983, and has been admitted to practice in New York State since 1984

"Being silent while a small slice of society determines the validity of a victim - is a suppression of justice. This allows trafficking to thrive."

- Nat Paul, Survivor Advocate

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Advancing Justice - LA's mission is to advocate for civil rights, provide legal services and education, and build coalitions to positively influence and impact Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and to create a more equitable and harmonious society.



LAF Chicago

At LAF we work together to provide high quality civil legal services to people living in poverty and other vulnerable groups. Through advocacy, education, collaboration, and litigation, we empower individuals, protect fundamental rights, strengthen communities, create opportunities, and achieve justice. In carrying out our mission, we treat everyone with compassion and respect.



Legal Aid at Work

Legal Aid at Work delivers on the promise of justice for low-income people. We provide free direct services to thousands of people each year through our clinics and helplines. And we offer extensive legal information for free online and in trainings; litigate individual and class actions; and advocate for new policies and laws.



The Legal Aid Society

The Legal Aid Society is a private, not-for-profit legal services organization, the oldest and largest in the nation, dedicated since 1876 to providing quality legal representation to low-income New Yorkers. It is dedicated to one simple but powerful belief: that no New Yorker should be denied access to justice because of poverty.



Lifeboat Project

The mission of the Lifeboat Project is to increase awareness of human trafficking through training; restore hope and dignity to exploited individuals; promote self-sufficiency by providing a safe residence; and furnish assistance for personal development and counseling coordinating with other agencies to enable them to heal and transition into productive members of society.



International Institute of Minnesota

Helping New Americans achieve self-sufficiency and full membership in American life. The Institute supports this mission by providing linguistically and culturally accessible services that enable every New American to work toward achieving full community participation and self-sufficiency.



University of Maryland SAFE Center

Support, Advocacy, Freedom, Empowerment. UMD SAFE Center is providing services that empower human trafficking survivors to heal & reclaim their lives.



YWCA Kalamazoo

YWCA Kalamazoo is on a mission to eliminate racism, empower women, stand up for social justice, help families, and strengthen communities. We are a member association of the YWCA USA, one of the oldest and largest women's organizations in the nation, serving over 2 million women, girls, and their families. YWCA Kalamazoo was founded in 1885 and serves as the oldest association in Michigan. Originally establish to provide residence services for young women, today YWCA Kalamazoo serves as a primary resource for economic, gender, and racial justice for all women and girls in Kalamazoo.



YWCA New Hampshire

YWCA New Hampshire's mission is to eliminate racism and to empower women in order to attain the common vision of peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all people.

In support of this mission, YWCA NH provides services to meet critical needs, promote self-sufficiency, reduce violence, eliminate racism and achieve equal opportunities for all people.



New Individual Members

Janie Chuang

Professor of Law, American University Washington College of Law

Tiffany Williams-Goetzinger

Founder and Former Executive Director, Break the Chain Campaign

Hanni Stoklosa

MD, MPH, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School

Susie Baldwin

MD, MPH, Co-founder & Board President, HEAL Trafficking

Elisabet Medina

Senior Program Manager: Strategic Partnerships CSEC, San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center

Lori Stella

LCSW, Safe Harbour Program Director, The Children's Home of Poughkeepsie

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- Asian Americans Advancing Justice
- Asian Pacific Islander Legal Outreach
- Cindy Liou, Kids in Need of Defense
- Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking
- Elisabet Medina, San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center
- International Rescue Committee
- Legal Aid at Work
- Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles
- Opening Doors, Inc.
- Susie Baldwin, HEAL Trafficking
- The Katharine and George Alexander Law Center

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- Coalition of Immokalee Workers
- International Rescue Committee
- The Lifeboat Project
- VIDA Legal Assistance

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- Heartland Human Care Services
- International Organization for Adolescents
- LAF
- National Immigrant Justice Center

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- Kristin Heffernan, The College at Brockport
- Lori Stella, Children’s Home of Poughkeepsie
- My Sisters’ Place
- Safe Horizon
- Sex Workers Project, Urban Justice Center
- The Legal Aid Society
- Womankind
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Trafficking survivors inspire us with their activism,
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- HT Pro Bono



