



COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGIC PLAN OVERVIEW & DISCUSSION

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Strategies Guiding Development of the Plan

- Develop an integrated, coordinated system for providing services to youth victims of human trafficking
- Expand and coordinate human trafficking-related research, data, and evaluation relevant to youth victims of human trafficking.
- Provide training and technical assistance to state and local agencies and organizations to increase victim identification, promote outreach, and expand the availability and accessibility of services to victims.
- Promote the use of effective, culturally appropriate, trauma-informed services to improve the short- and long-term health, safety, and well-being of youth victims of human trafficking

Strategic Plan Development Process

- Systems approach
- Balance of activities
- Workgroups: Prevention, Youth Engagement and Outreach, Screening and Intake, Services and Practices, Funding, Data and Evaluation
- Participants in each workgroup represented an array of agencies/NGOs
- Governance Steering Committee

Prevention

- Levels of Prevention:
 - Primary Prevention: Prevent human trafficking before it occurs; efforts directed toward the population at-large
 - Secondary Prevention: Address risk factors to prevent trafficking before it occurs; efforts directed toward specific groups identified at-risk
 - Tertiary Prevention: Prevent human trafficking from recurring in families or communities

Prevention – Intended Impact:

- Prevent sexual abuse – a demonstrated risk factor for sex trafficking of minors
- Increase awareness and improve adult response to child sexual abuse
- Promote children’s understanding of healthy growth and development
- Increase access to evidence-based mental health treatment
- Reduce supply and demand of trafficked youth
- Reduce risk factors for trafficking

Youth Engagement & Outreach – Intended Impact:

- Coordinated deliver of services, reduced duplication of services
- Increased likelihood of efficient delivery of services
- Improved information on prevalence of trafficking
- Clear understanding of what to do when a youth is suspected of being trafficked
- Reduced exploitation of children and youth

Data & Evaluation – Intended Impact:

- Establish links between program inputs, activities, outputs, and outcomes
- Form foundation of evaluation and performance measurement
- Prioritize key outcomes and performance measures
- Standardize outcomes and performance measures across programs to contribute to larger evaluation of human trafficking programs

Screening & Intake – Intended Impact:

- Establish common protocols
- Seamless transition from case intake to ongoing services
- Increase identification and service provision
- Gather relevant information for all parties involved, including child welfare agencies, service providers, law enforcement, and the court system
- Ensure accountability
- Reduce likelihood of child/youth experiencing additional trauma

Services & Practices – Intended Impact:

- Risks are identified and steps are taken to mitigate their impact
- Services have intended impact
- Services are appropriate for the youth who has been trafficked
- Services are trauma-informed
- Services are personalized and facilitate healing

Funding – Intended Impact:

- Efficient delivery of services
- Shared resources
- Improved collaboration
- Increase understanding of human trafficking and the needs of survivors
- Improve services to children and youth survivors of trafficking in residential facilities and youth shelters

Sustainability

- Incorporate recommendations into existing work efforts within governmental and non-governmental agencies and organizations beyond pilot implementation
- Gain public support to continue efforts
 - Public awareness campaign
- Publically communicate successes
- Financial sustainability