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## BAY AREA HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Our Own Backyard / Bay Area Human Trafficking

### **California**

According to the *Final Report of the California Alliance to Combat Trafficking and Slavery Task Force (2007)*, "The State's extensive international border, its major harbors and airports, its powerful economy and accelerating population, its large immigrant population and its industries make it a prime target for traffickers."

Rings of organized crime move trafficking victims among the west coast cities of San Diego, Los Angeles, Oakland, San Jose and up into Portland and Seattle (often including Reno and Las Vegas). Although Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) are one of the major forms of trafficking seen in the Bay Area, labor trafficking and sex trafficking of adult women is also common.

### **South Bay**

*Available November, 2013*

GateWay Community Outreach, along with several partners, is working on an in-depth study of existing data across our medical, mental health, faith-based, social, and educational systems to develop a significantly clearer picture of the extent of human trafficking throughout San Jose. As the situation is now, data resides within individual agencies, churches, schools, and medical centers. Information sharing has been difficult due to confidentiality laws as well as a general lack of resources.

### **Our Partners throughout the South Bay**

The YWCA Silicon Valley is a part of the South Bay Coalition to End Human Trafficking. As a part of this coalition, we work with law enforcement, legal advocates and pro-bono attorneys, victim service providers, faith communities and community activists to fight trafficking throughout the South Bay. Due to the many complexities of this issue, it is critical that we collaborate with our partners to successfully combat trafficking.

Here are a few you may also be interested at looking into:

[Asian Americans for Community Involvement \(http://aaci.org/\)](http://aaci.org/)

Domestic Violence non-profit providing shelter to South Bay human trafficking survivors of Asian descent.

[Bay Area Anti-Trafficking Coalition \(http://baatc.org\)](http://baatc.org/)

The Bay Area Anti-Trafficking Coalition works to equip individuals, empower communities and engage non-profits with best practices to sustain in the fight against human trafficking in the Bay Area and beyond.

[Community Solutions \(http://communitiesolutions.org/\)](http://communitiesolutions.org/)

Domestic Violence non-profit providing shelter and services to South Bay domestic violence and human trafficking survivors.

[Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement \(http://www.ice.gov/human-trafficking/\)](http://www.ice.gov/human-trafficking/) (ICE)

Committed to protecting everyone from human trafficking regardless of immigration status.

[Federal Bureau of Investigation \(http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/investigate/civilrights/human\\_trafficking\)](http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/investigate/civilrights/human_trafficking) (FBI)

[Freedom House \(http://www.freedomhousesf.org/\)](http://www.freedomhousesf.org/)

Bay Area shelter for human trafficking survivors.

[GateWay Community Outreach \(http://gatewaycommunityoutreach.org/\)](http://gatewaycommunityoutreach.org/)

Providing youth and family programs as well as support services for individuals and families throughout San Jose

[Maitri \(http://www.maitri.org/\)](http://www.maitri.org/)

Organization focused on using existing community services to integrate human trafficking survivors into mainstream American society.

[Next Door Solutions to Domestic Violence \(http://www.nextdoor.org/\)](http://www.nextdoor.org/)

Domestic Violence non-profit providing shelter to South Bay human trafficking survivors.

[San Jose Police Department, Human Trafficking Task Force \(http://www.sjpd.org/BOI/Sexual\\_Assaults/StopHT/\)](http://www.sjpd.org/BOI/Sexual_Assaults/StopHT/)

Police task force focused on freeing slaves in San Jose.

[South Bay Coalition to End Trafficking \(http://www.southbayendtrafficking.org/\)](http://www.southbayendtrafficking.org/)

Local collaborative effort responding to human trafficking in the South Bay region.

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