RESTORE
HUMAN TRAFFICKING × HEALTH CARE
The fact is, vulnerable people are being exploited for someone else’s profit in every borough of New York City. From the brothel to the parlor. From the club to the cantina. From the street to the suite.
The US Trafficking Victims Protection Act defines a human trafficking victim as a person induced to perform labor or a commercial sex act through force, fraud, or coercion. Any person under age 18 who performs a commercial sex act is considered a victim of human trafficking, regardless of whether force, fraud, or coercion was present.

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING DEFINED**

Put very simply, human trafficking is when someone exploits and profits off another person.

Whether in the form of sex trafficking, labor trafficking, or forced marriage, this severe crime involves countless human rights violations that are causing harm to individuals, communities, and whole societies. Given this reality, we must understand and combat the problem of trafficking from both a human rights and public health perspective.

Today, there are an estimated 403,000 people living in trafficking situations in the United States. New York City serves as a gateway and is one of the largest destinations for trafficked women in the country.

TVPA as defined by the US Department of Justice. The 2018 Global Slavery Index estimates that on any given day in 2016 there were 403,000 people living in conditions of modern slavery in the United States.
OUR MISSION & STRATEGY

Our mission is to end sex trafficking in New York and restore the well-being and independence of foreign-national survivors.

**STEP 1: IDENTIFY**
Identify victims of trafficking through Human Trafficking Intervention Courts, law enforcement, self-referrals, and nonprofit partners

**STEP 2: SERVE**
Serve survivors in Restore’s long-term programs with case management, safe housing, and job placement

**STEP 3: MEASURE**
Measure impact to evaluate what works and what does not to always improve outcomes for the survivors we serve

**STEP 4: TRAIN**
Train law enforcement, service providers, and health care professionals to identify victims and serve survivors
WHY TRAINING IS SO IMPORTANT

Health care professionals are uniquely positioned to play a pivotal role in identifying and responding to potential victims in their care.

88% OF SURVIVORS ACCESSED HEALTHCARE

A 2014 study* found that 87.8% of sex trafficking victims reported accessing health care at least one time while being in an active trafficking situation, but went unidentified.

“When trafficking victims come through the health care system but we don’t identify them, it’s a big missed opportunity.”

— SANTHOSH PAULUS, MD
NORTHWELL HEALTH HUMAN TRAFFICKING RESPONSE PROGRAM
SYSTEM TASK FORCE LEADER

MAKING IMPACT, TOGETHER

Restore trains agencies across the United States to better identify and serve survivors of trafficking. We customize our trainings for each audience and the context of their potential intersection with victims of trafficking.

By sharing our resources and learnings from direct service experience in the field, we can effectively and efficiently scale our impact to reach more survivors.

200+

Since 2016, Restore has provided training or technical assistance to over 200 agencies across 20 states.

FEATURED ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDE

For more information or to request a training for health care professionals, please contact Restore at hospitals@restorenyc.org
“Restore is amazing. As we initiated our human trafficking response program, we could not have done it without their knowledge and expertise. Restore’s training and consultation offered the platform for which our program is based around.”

— MICHAEL J. RECUPERO, MSN, RN, NE-BC  
DIRECTOR, PATIENT CARE SERVICES  
EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT  
HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL

“Restore’s trainings were very eye opening. They not only covered the uncomfortable areas about the problem, they also focused on the promising practices—helping in the healing process and making referrals to appropriate resources. As a social worker on the front lines, I feel more prepared to work with this population overall.”

— ZAIRIA A. FINCH, LCSW, MS  
SOCIAL WORK SUPERVISOR  
PATIENT CARE MANAGEMENT  
LENOX HILL HOSPITAL

“Restore showed me a new way to reach patients who might otherwise be yet again overlooked by society. I learned a great deal about how to make a difference in both my perceptions and my practice.”

— JEMELLA RAYMORE, MD  
PALLIATIVE CARE ATTENDING  
EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT  
HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL

“The day after a training, a patient was identified with red flags and referred to Restore. The patient successfully exited her trafficking situation and is now receiving the care she deserves.”

— SANTHOSH PAULUS, MD  
NORTHWELL HEALTH HUMAN TRAFFICKING RESPONSE PROGRAM  
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