The Survivors LEAD program educates and empowers survivors to become leaders. Integrating lessons from the Pathways to Freedom Capacity Building Initiative (CBI) and Survivor LEAD 2021, Survivors LEAD 2023 combines experiential education, socioemotional learning, leadership development, and upskilling for employment.

This is part of our efforts to empower survivors by developing leadership skills. These skills can be useful not only for leading a community but also by leading the journey of healing and recovery towards meaningful inclusion.

The curriculum incorporates self-directed learning, face-to-face workshops, educational field trips, an placement/internship in an organization in the anti-trafficking movement, and a Capstone project to allow students to integrate learning. We seek to boost and enhance leadership skills among new and current leaders. With these skills, survivor leaders can work steadily to develop sustainable communities and achieve a stable well being, meaningful inclusion and economic empowerment.

Objectives:

1. Prepare emerging survivor leaders to deepen engagement in the anti-slavery and anti-trafficking sector.
2. Introduce key knowledge and skills for 2 streams of anti-slavery and anti-trafficking work: Community Building/Peer mentoring and Trauma-Informed Direct Services.
3. Provide survivor leaders with work experience through an internship placement.
4. Provide anti-trafficking and anti-slavery organizations with support for hosting a survivor leader intern, with the aim of changing wider organizational practices.

Benefits to participation

- Provide opportunities for meaningful inclusion of survivors and people with lived experience

- Clarify what role you want to play in anti-trafficking work, even if the answer is nothing!

- Enhance leadership skills that you can take to any workplace

- Build a community and network with other survivor leaders

- Gain work experience with an organization or program

- More access to consulting opportunities

- Enhance transferable professional skills
- Learn to have ownership of your own education
- A placement/internship opportunity in an NGO in the anti-trafficking movement
- A laptop for the length of the program
- A small scholarship
- Support for Internet data

Participant Commitments

- Focus 6-8 hours per week of your time on the program. This includes attending meetings, reading and watching videos on your own, responding to emails and doing “homework”.
- Abide by Survivor Alliance’s Membership Manifesto
- Meet weekly with a participant coach who is also a survivor leader
- Reflect on your own skills and interests and be willing to receive feedback
- Ask for help with the program content if you are not understanding it
- Communicate about potential absences and changes in your ability to commit

Eligibility Criteria

This program is designed for people who meet the criteria below. If you do not meet the criteria, please look into other Survivor Alliance programs or other survivor leadership programs.

This program is explicitly for survivors of human trafficking and we promote it as such. Therefore, your participation in the program will lead people to assume that you are a survivor. We will never introduce you as a survivor or name you publicly

* 1. Applicant Information

Name

City/Town

Email Address

Phone Number
2. Please, select the criteria you meet.

☐ Are over the age of 18 and live in the UK

☐ At least 1 year of professional experience working in the anti-slavery/trafficking sector as a consultant, trainer, intern, or employee. Those with only public speaking experience are not qualified for this fellowship.

☐ Ability to commit 8 hours per week to a 9-month program from August 2023 to April 2024

☐ Identify as a survivor, or person with lived experience, of human trafficking and is comfortable with others in the program learning this about you.

☐ Must meet all of the above eligibility criteria.
* 3. Please, upload your resume here.

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* 4. Please, upload your recommendation letter here.

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* 5. Why are you interested in the program? 

* 6. What would you do when you finish the program? 

* 7. What are your strengths as a leader? 

* 8. What skills would you like to develop as a leader? 

* 9. Please, explain what are your self-care strategies? 

* 10. What of the following areas are you interested? (please, select one) 
- Community Building and Peer Mentoring 
- Providing Trauma-Informed Direct Services 
- Other (please specify) 

11. Please, add any general comments or questions 
