



RESOURCE GUIDE FOR SAFE HARBOUR PARTNERS

Initiated in 2005, the Western District of New York Human Trafficking Task Force is a group of trauma informed investigators, prosecutors and service providers that work collaboratively to identify and support survivors of human trafficking, prosecute their traffickers and raise awareness about this crime throughout the region.

Trafficking Vulnerabilities - poverty, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, immigration status, disabilities, substance use

Red Flags of Human Trafficking
 -Signs of assault
 -Substance use (controlled by boss)
 -Verbal/Psychological Abuse
 -Little pay or no pay at all, limited access to pocket money

Youth Specific

- Unaccounted monies, belongings
- Older boyfriend/girlfriend, associating with unknown adults
- Truancy, couch surfing
- Exploitation with alcohol or drug use
- Gang affiliation

Undocumented Specific

- No access to identity documents/ threats of deportation
- Debt (honor bound to repay)
- Money held for “safe keeping”
- Threats to family in home country
- Isolation from religious community

To have trafficking victims confirmed: (NYS Referral of Human Trafficking Victims)

<https://otda.ny.gov/programs/bria/trafficking.asp>

To report trafficking: National Human Trafficking Hotline 1-888-373-7888

<https://humantraffickinghotline.org>

For resources and information: Task Force Website

<http://wnytrafficking.org>

Assistance for Undocumented Victims

Continued Presence (CP)

<https://www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign/materials/pamphlet-continued-presence>

Receives temporary legal status for two years (renewable), receives work permit (fee waived), Pre-CP- Benefits through Dept. of Justice Office for Victims of Crime, Post-CP – Benefits through the Dept. of Health and Human Services (e.g. housing, medical, counseling, case management, job training, English classes) for the initial 120 days

T-Visa & U-Visa

<https://www.uscis.gov/humanitarian/victims-of-human-trafficking-and-other-crimes/victims-of-human-trafficking-t-nonimmigrant-status>

Receives 4 year T non-immigrant status, receives work permit, benefits/Dept. of Health and Human Services, can petition for family members, can adjust to Lawful Permanent Resident after 3 years or when investigation is closed

Training & Technical Questions	Law Enforcement Specific Questions	Service Questions	Immigration Relief Questions
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