



## ARIZONA HUMAN TRAFFICKING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 1, 2016

9:00 AM

1700 West Washington Street,  
Governor's 2nd Floor Conference Room  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Notice having been duly given, a meeting of the Arizona Human Trafficking Council (Council) convened on November 1, 2016 at 9:05am in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, 1700 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Attendance of Council members was as follows:

### Members Present

Cindy McCain (Co-Chairperson)	Joseph Kelroy
Gil Orrantia (Co-Chairperson)	Zora Manjencich
Allie Bones	Gary McCarthy
Doug Coleman	Greg McKay
Robert Conrad	Frank Milstead
Tanya Cordor	Sheila Polk
Jon Eliason	Dominique Roe-Sepowitz
Timothy Jeffries	Brian Steele
Debbie Johnson	Jim Waring
Carolyn Jones	

### Members Absent

Nathaniel Brown  
Cara Christ  
Heather Carter  
Vinny Chulani

### Staff Present

Debbie Moak  
John Raeder

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chairperson Mr. Gil Orrantia called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

#### 2. INTRODUCTIONS

Co-Chairperson Ms. Cindy McCain welcomed those in attendance and asked Council members to briefly introduce themselves.

### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (ACTION)**

The September 7, 2016 meeting minutes were reviewed. Col. Frank Milstead motioned to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tim Jeffries and passed by unanimous vote.

### **4. HOMELESS YOUTH EXPERIENCES SURVEY (YES)**

Dr. Dominique Roe-Sepowitz, Arizona State University, presented the Youth Experiences Survey (YES). The YES was funded by the McCain Institute for International Leadership at Arizona State University, the Tumbleweed Center for Youth Development, and the Arizona State University of Social Work, Office of Sex Trafficking Intervention Research. Dr. Roe-Sepowitz stated that the YES consisted of 2016 youth experiences ages 18-25, chronically or intermittently homeless and living in transitional shelter. Dr. Roe-Sepowitz explained that the purpose of the YES is to explore the experiences and prevalence of human trafficked youth, as well as the treatment needs of the trafficked youth in comparison to non-trafficked youth.

Dr. Roe-Sepowitz noted that 199 homeless young adults from the greater Phoenix and Tucson Area participated in the YES; and that 66 (32%) of the participants reported a sex trafficking experience. Dr. Roe-Sepowitz reported that of the sex trafficked youth:

- 78.7% reported they are currently being trafficked;
- 57.6% reported the use of technology for the purpose of sex trafficking;
- LGBTQ Youth were significantly more likely to be trafficked; and
- Trafficked youth are significantly more likely to use substances and have a mental health diagnosis.

### **5. CITIES EMPOWERED AGAINST SEXUAL EXPLOITATION (CEASE)**

Ms. Angie Bayless, Coordinator, CEASE Phoenix-Metro, explained that CEASE was established in Phoenix in October of 2014. CEASE's main goal is to reduce demand for commercial sex by 20% in the Phoenix-Metro Area through the following activities:

- Increasing public awareness;
- Increasing the public perception of risk;
- Educating policy makers;
- Training law enforcement;
- Developing and test new tactics and tradecraft; and
- Activating key community partnerships.

Ms. Bayless noted that Phoenix is one of 12 pioneering cities committed with CEASE to reduce sex-buying. Ms. Bayless outlined several accomplishments in Arizona including:

- Billboard campaign;
- Mandatory booking in Phoenix;
- Cyber patrols;
- Google ad words campaign;
- A graphic novel text campaign; and
- A City of Phoenix Policy prohibiting sex buying.

Ms. Bayless stated that as a result of these efforts intent to buy sex online has been reduced by 16%.

### **6. LIGHTING ARIZONA PURPLE CAMPAIGN**

Mr. John Raeder, Governor's Office of Youth Faith and Family, commented on the success of the second annual Lighting Arizona Purple Domestic Violence Awareness Campaign. The

Campaign encourages towns and cities to stand with the Governor against domestic violence. The Home Depot also partnered in the campaign by displaying domestic violence educational materials and by selling purple light bulbs for domestic violence awareness.

Mr. Raeder then stated that in the upcoming month he would be working with the Outreach and Awareness Committee to develop a Human Trafficking Awareness campaign. Mr. Raeder stated that the Committee would first create an Arizona specific trafficking campaign, launch the campaign during the NCAA Final Four, and then expand the campaign during Human Trafficking Awareness Month 2018.

## **7. SURVIVOR STORY**

Ms. Alicia Kozakiewicz shared her personal experiences with online exploitation and how predators use the internet to groom unsuspecting youth. Currently Ms. Kozakiewicz promotes Internet and child safety awareness and advocates for missing and recovered persons.

## **8. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Outreach and Awareness Committee**

Ms. Debbie Johnson reiterated her commitment to working on the human trafficking awareness campaign to be launched during the NCAA Final Four which will be in Glendale in 2017.

Mr. Raeder updated the Council on the Human Trafficking Train-the-Trainer program. Mr. Raeder also mentioned that the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family had been awarded an AmeriCorps VISTA member to assist with human trafficking awareness presentations.

### **Policy Committee**

Mr. Steele stated that the Policy Committee was working on legislative recommendations for the 2017 session. The committee is also planning a service provider symposium for spring 2017.

### **Training Committee**

Dr. Roe-Sepowitz updated the Council on several recent human trafficking trainings. In particular, Dr. Roe-Sepowitz discussed recent trainings for the Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections (ADJC).

### **Victim Services Committee**

Ms. Sheila Polk explained that the committee is planning training regarding the *Developing a Coordinated Response to Youth Sex Trafficking Guidelines* in Yavapai County early next year and will be working in collaboration with the Training Committee to plan additional training events around the state.

## **9. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Ms. Linda Hartzler, Streetlight USA, discussed a recent movie screening hosted by Streetlight USA to increase awareness about human trafficking.

## **10. ADJOURN**

There being no further business before the Council, Co-Chair Cindy McCain adjourned the meeting at 10:30 AM.