

HUMAN TRAFFICKING INITIATIVE SPECIAL TRAINING



Human Trafficking 101

When

Where

Course Description

In this training program, HTI presenters break down what human trafficking is and how it happens. Attendees also will learn:

- How victims are affected and who is vulnerable.
- Who traffickers are and how they operate.
- How misconceptions lead people to believe human trafficking happens only to other people in other places.
- What red flags to watch for.
- How demand reduction can help.
- What improvements are being considered for Ohio laws and what those laws say now.
- How you can join the fight.

HTI Presenters

Jennifer Rausch, Legal Director: Rausch focuses on education and assisting task forces and prosecutors with building better cases. She previously led the Special Victims Unit at the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office.

Jomel Aird, Director of Victim Services: Aird focuses on connecting and strengthening human trafficking services throughout the state. She previously worked as a victim advocate with the Central Ohio Human Trafficking Task Force and Salvation Army, as well as the Palm Beach County's State Attorney's Office.

Emily Billman, Anti-Human Trafficking Coordinator: Billman helps identify gaps in victim services and spreads awareness across the state. The 2019 graduate of Miami University also has led street outreach teams in Columbus for Out of Darkness, an anti-trafficking organization.

Mission

The Human Trafficking Initiative (HTI) works to end labor and sex trafficking in Ohio by building awareness, empowering Ohioans to take action in their communities, helping victims and ensuring that traffickers and johns are brought to justice.

Learn More

The Human Trafficking Initiative offers more information and resources at www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov/HumanTrafficking. Offerings include tips for parents looking to help their kids safely navigate social media and contact information for local human trafficking coalitions.



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