

Trafficking of Youth in America: Risk Factors, Systemic Failures and the Way Forward July 29 – August 2, 2024

DAY 1

Monday, July 29, 2024

VULNERABILITIES THAT PLACE YOUTH AT RISK

8:15 am - 8:55 am	Registration & Light Breakfast
9:00 am - 9:15 am	Welcome, Invocation and Opening Remarks David A. Armstrong, J.D., President, St. Thomas University Dr. Fr. Paul VI Karenga, Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church Dr. Siegfried Wiessner, Associate Dean for Faculty Development, Director, LL.M./ J.S.D. IHR Dr. Roza Pati, St. John Paul II Distinguished Professor of Law, Director, The Brunetti Human Trafficking Academy
9:15 am - 10:45 am	Session 1 – Missing and Exploited Children Instructors – Melissa A. Snow, Executive Director, Child Sex Trafficking Programs – National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, Alexandria, VA
10:45 am - 11:00 am	Break
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Session 2 – Exposing Child Labor Exploitation in America: The Role of Investigative Reporting
	Instructor – Andres Cediel, Documentary filmmaker and Professor, UC Berkeley, CA
12:30 pm - 1:45 pm	 Luncheon - Missing Teens and the Ties to Trafficking: A Case Study in Texas Speaker - Katariina Rosenblatt, LL.M, PhD, Author and Executive Director There Is Hope For Me, Inc., San Antonio, Texas
1:45 pm - 3:15 pm	Session 3 – Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE's) Instructor – Marianne Thomas, PhD., Founder and President, My Name My Voice, Fort Myers, FL

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Tuesday, July 30, 2024

SYSTEMS AND LAWS PT. I: INVESTIGATIONS AND PROSECUTIONS

9:00 am - 10:30 am	Session 1 – Juvenile Justice Systems: A Non-Criminal Response to Survivors of Human Trafficking Instructor – Katherine C. Gomez, PhD., Director of Human Trafficking Intervention, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice, Tallahassee, FL
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Break
10:45 am - 12:15 pm	Session 2 – Investigating the Crime of Human Trafficking Involving Young People: Law Enforcement Perspectives Instructor – Michael Joo, <i>Detective</i> , Broward County Sheriff's, FBI Child Exploitation & Human Trafficking Task Force, Ft. Lauderdale, FL
12:15 pm - 1:45 pm	 Luncheon - Leave No Child Behind in the Fight Against Human Trafficking Speaker - Mr. Callahan Walsh, Executive Director National Center for Missing & Exploited Children Co-host, America's Most Wanted, West Palm Beach, FL
1:45 pm - 3:15 pm	Session 3 – Prosecuting Human Trafficking in Children Instructor – Brenda Mezick, Esq., Chief, Human Trafficking Unit, State Attorney's Human Trafficking Task Force Miami Dade, Miami, FL

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DAY 3	Wednesday, July 31, 2024 SYSTEMS AND LAWS PT II: PROTECTIONS AND ETHICS		
9:00 am - 10:30 am	Session 1 – Child Welfare Systems: Case Study Florida		
	Instructor – Stacey Cutbush Starseed, PhD., Program Director, Violence Prevention and Harm Reduction Program, RTI's Justice Practice Area Research, Triangle Park, NC		
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Break		
10:45 am - 12:15 pm	Session 2 – The System of Sponsorships: How Unaccompanied Minors Might be Trafficked After Government Placements		
	Instructor – Jenny Cachaya, <i>Director</i> , Children Services Migration and Refugee Services United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC		
12:15 pm - 1:45 pm	Lunch		
1:45 pm - 3:15 pm	Session 3 – Ethical Issues: Working with Children and Youth Survivors of Human Trafficking		
	Instructor – Ana Viamonte Ros, M.D., M.P.H, <i>Full Professor,</i> Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine Florida International University, Miami, FL		

DAY 4 Thursday, August 1, 2024 SOCIAL SERVICES

9:00 am - 10:30 am	Session 1 – Using Trauma Informed Care with Trafficked Teens: Giving Youth a CHANCE to Thrive Instructor – Gihan Omar, PhD., Clinical Coordinator, Foster Care and CHANCE Citrus Health Network, Inc., Hialeah, FL
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Break
10:45 am - 12:15 pm	Session 2 – Understanding the Link Between Persons with Disabilities and Human Trafficking Instructor – Marina Anderson, Regional Human Trafficking Prevention Coordinator, Florida Department of Children and Families, Tallahassee, FL
12:15 pm - 1:45 pm	Lunch
1:45 pm - 3:15 pm	Session 3 – Trafficked Boys Instructor – The Honorable Robert R. Lung, District Court Judge, 18th Judicial Circuit of Colorado Chair (2020) & Member (2018-2020) U.S. Advisory Council on Human Trafficking; Castle Rock, Colorado

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DAY 5

Friday, August 2, 2024
WHEN CHILDREN GROW UP: INTEGRAL DEVELOPMENT TOWARDS THRIVING AS ADULTS

9:00 am - 10:30 am	Session 1 – After 18: The Challenges Faced by Trafficked Youth Instructor - Lisa Schelbe, PhD., Interim Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Associate Professor, College of Social Work, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Break
10:45 am - 12:15 pm	Session 2 – Pregnancy and Parenting: Considerations for Survivors and Their Allies Instructor – M. Elizabeth Bowman, PhD, LICSW, LCSW-C., Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, Gallaudet University, Founder and Executive Director Restoring Ivy Collective, Washington, D.C
12:15 pm - 1:45 pm	 Luncheon – The Intersection of Attachment, Culture and Love: Unveiling Vulnerabilities and Promoting Resilience to Combat Human Trafficking Speakers - Dr. Sandra Maria Anderson, Founder, Love Gardens Ministries International Therapy Parks Inc., Palm Beach Gardens, FL Victor Williams, Founder/ CEO Quest2Freedom, Miami, FL
1:45 pm - 3:15 pm	Session 3 – Breaking Cycles: The Integral Development of Youth Who Survive Trafficking Instructor – Honorable Dr. Suamhirs Piraino-Guzman, Behavioral Neurologist, Clinical Psychologist UCLA Health, Presidential Appointee, U.S Advisory Council on Human Trafficking, Corona, CA
3:15 pm - 3:45 pm	Closing Remarks, Benediction and Distribution of Certificates Dr. Roza Pati, St. John Paul II Distinguished Professor of Law, Director, The Brunetti Human Trafficking Academy

Thank you for joining us!