



Human Trafficking, Immigration and Refugee Service Directory

The following is a list of service providers who assist survivors of human trafficking, and provide immigrant and refugee services. It also has resources valuable to PTA/PTSAs for programing purposes. The list is not exhaustive, and is comprised of organizations identified by Florida law enforcement agencies, by non-governmental organizations, and by anti-trafficking task forces throughout the state. The list does not constitute any kind of endorsement of the service providers listed.

Abundant Living Ministries offers legal counsel to battered immigrants and their children in self-petitioning for residency under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and promotes and use the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act (VTVPA) to protect immigrant victims of crime through immigration’s “T” and “U” Visa legal provisions allowing for legal immigration status—including work authorization—to victims and certain family members. It also provides legal counsel to low-income immigrants who are filing for family-based visa petitions, applications for adjustment of status and US citizenship. Phone (305) 571-7254 www.floridaimmigrant.org

American Civil Liberties Union of Florida (ACLU) is freedom’s watchdog, working daily in the courts, legislature, and throughout Florida to defend individual rights and personal freedoms guaranteed by the United States and Florida Constitutions and the Bill of Rights. Phone: (786) 363-2700 www.aclufl.org

American Friends Immigrant Service Program (AFIS) works to strengthen understanding and respect among the different populations settled in South Florida and accompanies refugees and immigrants through the complex immigration system by providing direct immigration representation and assistance. Phone 305-600-5441 www.afsc.org/office/miami-fl

Americans for immigrant Justice (AI Justice) is a not-for-profit law firm that protects the basic rights of America’s immigrants many of which have survived human rights violations such as slavery, denial of a legitimate asylum claim, abuses while detained and lack of due process. Phone: 305-573-1106 www.aijustice.org

The **Broward Human Trafficking Coalition (BHTC)** is a Coalition of individuals from the general public, those who serve it, and all community partners, in Southeast Florida who are individually and collectively committed to working to improve assistance for persons affected by the crime of human trafficking. The mission of the BHTC is to raise awareness about Human Trafficking. The Coalition serves as an information, education, and networking resource for organizations as well as the community. www.bhtc.us

Catholic Charities Legal Services provides comprehensive immigration legal services to all victims of trafficking. Phone 305-373-1073 www.cclsmiami

Coalition for Research and Education against Trafficking and Exploitation (CREATE) mission is to equip all members of the community with the skills to identify victims of human trafficking which results in increased reporting to appropriate health and social services. www.nova.edu/create

Covenant House Florida is a 24-hour shelter for any child under the age of 21 who is homeless, abused, neglected or at risk. It has both a crisis center and transitional housing. Children have access to counseling, case management, substance abuse treatment, employment assistance, independent living (classes for money management, grocery shopping and parenting education). Phone 954-561-5559; 1-800-683-8338 www.covenanthousefl.org

Federal Student Financial Aid, ED: Federal Student Financial Aid for Certified victims of human trafficking as well as minors who have received an Eligibility Letter are eligible for Title IV student aid as long as they meet other eligibility requirements. In addition, family members of Certified or Eligible victims who have derivative T visas may also be eligible for Title IV student aid to assist that family member in covering the cost of higher education. www.ifap.ed.gov/dpccletters/GEN0609.html and www.studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/TraffickingFaqs.jsp and www.fafsa.ed.gov or 800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243) or www.studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/funding.jsp

Florida Coalition Against Human Trafficking provides advocacy throughout the process of recovery for pre-certified and certified immigrant trafficking victims and for domestic trafficking victims; provides case management in meeting victim needs such as housing, medical & mental health care, and education; works closely with community service providers to secure emergency food and shelter, medical and psychological treatment, and other services for victims. Phone 727-442-3064 www.stophumantrafficking.org

Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF) Immigrant Services is a state program that coordinates and oversees many of the services provided to refugees and entrants in Florida to help them become economically self-sufficient. Refugee Services assists newly-arrived eligible clients in obtaining employment, learning English, acquiring job skills and overcoming legal or medical difficulties. <http://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/refugee-services> **Miami** 786-257-5173; **Tallahassee** 850-778-4065; **Jacksonville** 407-317-7335; **Orlando** 407-317-7335; 407-317-7336; **Tampa, Naples, Fort Myers, Sarasota** 813-545-1716 ; **Ft. Lauderdale & West Palm Beach** 561-227-6722

Florida Freedom Partnership provides assistance for pre-certified and certified victims of trafficking; provides housing, counseling, legal services, cash assistance, bus passes, furniture, ESOL or literacy classes for precertified victims. Certified victims are eligible for gift cards for supermarkets or pharmacies as well as employment services and ESOL or literacy classes. Phone 305-640-9856 www.floridafreedom.org

Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center provides comprehensive legal representation and case management for immigrant victims of both labor trafficking and sex trafficking (and provide referrals to numerous other organizations that assist victims of trafficking); also conducts trainings for law enforcement and for service providers on human trafficking. Phone 305-573-1106 www.fiacfla.org

Florida Immigrant Youth Network (FIYN) is a youth led grassroots organization that has come together to organize around immigrant rights and social justice issues on a statewide level. The goal of FIYN is to empower and educate their communities around immigrant issues, primarily those facing young people. Phone: 786-273-9748 www.flimmigranyouth.org

Florida State University Center for the Advancement of Human Rights provides pro bono immigration representation for pre-certified and certified victims of human trafficking, as well as legal assistance with asylum, Special Immigrant Juvenile, VAWA, and U-visa cases. Phone 850-644-4551 www.cahr.fsu.edu

Global Child Rescue is a faith based organization that focuses on child rescue. It conducts outreach and awareness training in Florida and other states, and coordinates services with other agencies for victims of trafficking. 850-525-4807 www.facebook.com/pages/Global-Child-Rescue/181364153052

International Rescue Committee delivers lifesaving care to people fleeing conflict and natural disaster. Year after year, the IRC is one of the highest-ranking nonprofits for accountability, transparency, and efficient use of contributions. Phone: + 1 212 551 3000 www.help.rescue.org

Kristi House provides housing and case management for minors to include therapy; Project Gold focuses on the needs of child victims of sex trafficking between the ages of 11-18. Phone 305-547-6800 www.kristihouse.org

Lutheran Services Florida provides services for international victims of human trafficking; assistance may include gift cards for food at Publix or Walt-mart; bus passes, paying for housing and teaching job seeking skills. Phone 954-486-4422 www.lsfnet

Medical Screenings, Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), HHS: Preventive health medical screenings and assessments are available to Certified trafficked persons and Eligible minors for early diagnosis and treatment of illnesses that are contagious or are barriers to self-sufficiency. To arrange for a referral for a medical screening, contact your State Refugee Coordinator or Refugee Health Coordinator via the following Web site: http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/orr/partners/state_partners.htm

Miami Bridge Youth and Family Services provides services for adolescents between the ages of 10-17; temporary shelter for 30 days; offers family counseling for up to four months; parenting classes and life skills program; serve both domestic and international victims of trafficking. Phone 305-635-8953 www.miamibridge.org

National Association for the Advancement Colored People (NAACP) has a mission to ensure the political, educational, social and economic quality of rights of all persons and to eliminate race based discrimination. **Phone** 410-580-5777 or 877- NAACP-98 www.naacp.org

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children serves as a focal point in providing assistance to parents, children, law enforcement, schools, and the community in recovering missing children and raising public awareness about ways to help prevent child abduction, molestation, and sexual exploitation. Phone: 703-274-3900 www.nsvrc.org

National Human Trafficking Resource Center (NHTRC) is a national hotline 1-888-373-7888 or e-mail NHTRC@PolarisProject.org that operates 24 hours a day working to improve the national response to protect victims of human trafficking by providing callers with a range of comprehensive services, including crisis intervention, urgent and non-urgent referrals, tip reporting, and comprehensive anti-trafficking resources and technical assistance. Resources: www.traffickingresourcecenter.org

Palm Beach County Coalition for Immigration Rights works locally to build a diverse, politically-conscious coalition to organize and build a powerful base of people who will be able to lead and mobilize responses to the issues that immigrants face, educate our community about the misconceptions and contributions of immigrants in the US, and influence public policy. Phone: 561-594-1087 www.palmbeachimmigrant.org

Real Talk is a community-led, grassroots coalition created to bring more diverse voices to the table so we can better meet the needs of all Florida students. Florida PTA, the NAACP Florida State Conference, the Florida Immigrant Coalition, LULAC, the Florida Council of Churches and numerous other civil rights, education and community organizations from across the state have banded together to identify and support solutions that help Black, Hispanic, low-income and other underrepresented students succeed in school and beyond. www.realtalkfl.org

The **Redlands Christian Migrant Association (RCMA)** is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, non-sectarian voluntary organization, which focuses on the well-being and care of impoverished immigrant's children all throughout the state of Florida. RCMA provides high-quality childcare and early education for children of migrant farm workers and other rural, low-income families. Programs include Head Start, Migrant Head Start and before and after-school activities in 21 Florida Counties. Parents are involved and encouraged in civic participation, through voting and working for the organization through their own committees and associations. Phone: 239-658-3560 www.rcma.org

Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA), Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), HHS: RCA provides cash assistance for trafficking victims who are ineligible for TANF or Supplemental Security Income (SSI). Recipients of Refugee Cash Assistance are required to register for employment services and participate in employability service programs, unless specifically exempted by State criteria. www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/orr/benefits/cma.htm

Refugee Medical Assistance (RMA) provides medical assistance for trafficking victims who are ineligible for Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/orr/benefits/cma.htm

Services for Trafficking Victims Discretionary Grant, Office of Victims of Crime (OVC) funds services for trafficking victims prior to the granting of a Certification Letter to the victim. Services include housing or shelter; food; medical, mental health, and dental services; interpreter/translator services; criminal justice victim advocacy; legal services; social

services advocacy; literacy education; and/or employment assistance.
www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/grants/traffickingmatrix.html

Share Hope International is dedicated to bringing an end to sex trafficking through their 3-pronged approach: prevent, restore and justice. Phone 866-437-5433 www.sharedhope.org

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC), Food and Nutrition Service, USDA: WIC provides supplemental food packages for nutritionally at-risk, low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and postpartum women; infants; and children up to five years of age. www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/wic/or_call_1-800-342-3556

Southern Poverty Law Center employs a 3-prong strategy to battle racial and social injustice: fighting hate, teaching tolerance and seeking justice for the most vulnerable members of our society. It works to protect the rights of immigrants and their families. www.splcenter.org/issues/immigrant-justice

St. Thomas Law Human Trafficking Academy is designed to conduct research, outreach and education in the field of human trafficking. In particular, it offers specialized training and technical assistance to law enforcement, lawyers, healthcare providers, teachers, students, researchers, religious institutions and the community at large on issues related to the crime of trafficking in persons. Phone 305-474-6870; 877-788-7526 www.humantraffickingacademy.org

Students Working for Equal Rights (SWER) founded by undocumented immigrant youth for the liberation of the oppressed. We work to raise awareness in our communities about social justice and equal access to education by means of grassroots organizing, political education, alliance building, nonviolent direct action and civic engagement. Phone: 786-273 - 9748 www.SWER.org

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly called the Food Stamp Program), Food and Nutrition Service, USDA: SNAP provides nutrition assistance to low-income individuals and families so they can buy the food needed for good health. Benefits are provided on an electronic card that is used like an ATM card at participating grocery stores. www.fns.usda.gov/snap/outreach/map or an online Pre-Screening Tool at www.snap-step1.usda.gov/fns/

Tapestri, Inc. provides comprehensive case management services to foreign victims and potential victims of trafficking seeking HHS certification. They provide case management to assist a victim of trafficking to become certified, and other necessary services after Certification and grants ensure the provision of efficient, high-quality services to victims of human trafficking, support to help victims gain timely access to shelter, legal assistance, job training, and health care, enabling them to live free of violence and exploitation. Phone 404-299-2185 www.tapestri.org

Unaccompanied Refugee Minors Program (URM), program can provide care to an unaccompanied child victim of trafficking who has received an Eligibility Letter and met established criteria for reclassification or designation as an unaccompanied refugee minor. The URM program provides specialized, culturally appropriate foster care or other licensed care settings according to children's individual needs. Services include: indirect financial support for housing, food, clothing, and medical care; intensive case management; family reunification; independent living skills training; educational supports; English language training; career/college counseling; mental health services; assistance adjusting immigration status; cultural activities; recreational opportunities; support for social integration; and retention of ethnic and religious heritage. To access the URM program for a child victim of trafficking who has received an Eligibility Letter, contact the ORR Child Protection Specialist at 202-205-4582. www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/orr/programs/unaccompanied_refugee_minors.htm

United States Department of Health & Human Services Look Beneath the Surface campaign works with grantees and stakeholders to raise awareness of human trafficking and the factors that make certain populations more at risk. The campaign also empowers the public to help identify victims and connect those victims with services by calling the **National Human Trafficking Hotline** at 888-373-7888. Get involved to spread the word and forge pathways to freedom for survivors and those at risk of human trafficking in your community. Downloadable materials available. www.acf.hhs.gov/otip/partnerships/look-beneath-the-surface

United States Department of Homeland Security has developed the Blue Campaign as the unified voice for the efforts to combat human trafficking. It works in collaboration with law enforcement, government, non-governmental and private organizations, to protect the basic right of freedom and to bring those who exploit human lives to justice. It raises public awareness about human trafficking, and uses partnerships to educate the public to recognize human trafficking and report suspected instances. The Blue Campaign also offers training to law enforcement and others to increase detection and investigation of human trafficking, and to protect victims and bring suspected traffickers to justice. Phone 866-373-7888 www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign

United States Department of Justice's (USDOJ) Office of Victims of Crime (OVC) provides services for pre-certified trafficking victims which include housing or shelter; food; medical, mental health, and dental services; interpreter/translator services; criminal justice victim advocacy; legal services; social services advocacy; literacy education; and/or employment assistance. www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/grants/traffickingmatrix.html and www.ovc.ncjrs.gov/findvictimservices

University of Miami Law School immigration Clinic accepts clients who are in removal proceedings before immigration court, the Board of Immigration Appeals, or federal courts. The clinic accepts cases of detained and non-detained immigrants on a referral basis from legal service providers and other organizations. Phone: 305-284-6092 www.law.miami.edu/academics/clinics/immigration-clinic

Voices for Justice is a faith-based, grassroots organization representing a diverse community, advocating for voiceless populations for all people regarding human and civil rights and responsibilities through social and economic issues and community resources by building relationships and finding common ground in order to achieve just and humane solutions to challenging social issues. It mobilizes the community to take action by collaborating with other people and justice organizations to identify and make better use of resources. Phone: 321-723-2203 www.Voices4Justice.org

WeCount! is a statewide 501(c) (3), non-profit organization working mainly from the Homestead who represents and defends the rights of immigrants, students, and working people of the area. Members are Latino/a, Mayan, and Haitian immigrant workers, working families, and youth retired or working in: plant nurseries and farms, landscaping, construction, tourism, housekeeping, and industrial shops. Members include families and recent immigrants separated from their families in their home countries. We work to achieve social and economic justice by bringing multi-ethnic immigrants, students, and working people together to inform themselves about their rights, support each other, develop their leadership, and take action to improve their lives. Phone: 305-247-2202 www.we-count.org

Women's Fund Miami-Dade: mission is to improve the lives of women and girls in our county. We take action based on our core belief: all women and girls have the right to economic security, freedom from violence, equal access to leadership and education, and the right to choose regarding their healthcare. Phone: (305) 441-0506 www.womensfundmiami.org

World Relief Offers comprehensive services which include: case management; housing; immigration legal support; advocacy; medical and dental care; mental health assessments; translation and interpretation services; job skills training/ESL and transportation. Phone 443.451.1900 or 800-535-5433 www.worldrelief.org

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