

Connected for Freedom

The Power of Collaboration: A Look into Human Trafficking Task Forces

Key Takeaways



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Building a Task Force



From informal to structured models task forces are focused on building multiagency collaboration to address human trafficking in communities.

Focused on intentional collaboration



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Identifying Victims of Human Trafficking

Law Enforcement shifted from reactive to proactive, intelligence-led investigation. Advocates are embedded directly into operations to help with regulation and reduce retraumatization, and remind that services are not contingent on cooperation with law enforcement.

Partnerships strengthen identification by building credibility and trust with survivors who may fear law enforcement due to past trauma.



Identification extends far beyond law enforcement operations; training frontline professionals can help increase identification.

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Supporting Survivors of Human Trafficking

Identification is the starting point, survivors need access to a wide range of services that best fit their immediate and long-term needs. What role do you play?



Trust and collaboration take time but lead to stronger survivor outcomes.

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Addressing Challenges

Effective collaboration requires:

- Mutual trust and respect
- Transparency about roles and limitations
- Willingness to listen across disciplines



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Advancing Human Trafficking Cases

Human trafficking cases often take years from identification to trial, and survivors need stable support throughout that process.

Stronger Collaboration = Stronger Cases