

Outreach and Direct Services for Survivors of the Sex Trade in Chicago

Anne's House – Salvation Army's Partnership to Rescue Our Minors from Sexual Exploitation is Illinois' only long-term, trauma-informed, residential program for young women and girls who have been impacted by sex trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation. The program offers comprehensive services including individual and group therapy, life skills training, support with academic and vocational goals, social and recreational activities, and spiritual guidance.

www.sapromise.org/anne.htm

(312) 291-7916

Center on Halsted has a Legal Clinic that provides free and confidential information and referrals from local volunteer attorneys and legal organizations. The Center has an Education and Victim Advocacy team who works to reduce bias and violence in the lives of LGBT, queer, questioning and HIV-affected people. The Center also has an anti-violence project that offers a 24-hour crisis hotline, counseling, incident reporting assistance, court accompaniment, and victim advocacy to LGBTQ survivors of abuse and violence.

www.centeronhalsted.org/EVA.html

(773) 472-6469

Dreamcatcher Foundation is an agency run by survivors of the sex trade, the Dreamcatcher Foundation provides health services, counseling, referrals to transitional housing and addiction treatment facilities, employment placement, and educational support for young women between the ages of 12-25 who have survived the sex trade.

<http://dianetye.com/dreamcatcherfoundation/index1.html>

(773) 936-9898

Footprints offers hope and rehabilitative services to girls and women exposed to trauma in the sex trade. It also facilitates prevention for substance abuse and HIV for women arrested for prostitution in Cook County.

www.cchc-online.org

(773) 533-5600

Heartland Alliance, Families Building Communities (FBC) provides supportive services for women and their families, including those impacted by prostitution, in their transition from shelter to permanent housing. FBC uses a strengths-based family case management model, providing intensive, home-based case management services, a rental subsidy for 12 months, and 12 months of follow-up case management. The program also includes additional mentorship and trauma recovery resources for women who have been charged with prostitution.

www.heartlandalliance.org

(773) 624-8148 ext.1955

Heartland Alliance's National Immigrant Justice Center - Counter Trafficking Project provides comprehensive legal services and case management for children and adult survivors of human trafficking. Attorneys and paralegals guide trafficking survivors through the process of obtaining T-visas.

www.immigrantjustice.org

Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ICASA) is a not-for-profit that oversees and convenes 33 community-based sexual assault crisis centers working together to end sexual violence. Each center provides 24-hour crisis intervention services, counseling and advocacy for victims of sexual assault and their significant others. Each center presents prevention education programs in Illinois communities. ICASA has training and service standards that each center is required to meet, including approved standards for its centers that offer services for prostituted and trafficked people.

www.icasa.org

The Northern Tier Anti-Trafficking Consortium (NTAC) is administered by Heartland Human Care Services and provides comprehensive trauma-informed, client-centered, culturally-competent case management to foreign-born human trafficking survivors throughout 14 states and Puerto Rico as well as trainings, technical assistance and capacity building for organizations.

1-800-837-5345

National Runaway Switchboard helps keep America's runaway and at-risk youth safe and off the streets. Their 24-hour crisis line has experienced front-line team members ready to help. Their services are anonymous, confidential, and free.

www.1800runaway.org

1-800-RUNAWAY

National Immigrant Justice Center ensures human rights protections and access to justice for immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers through direct legal services, policy reform, impact litigation, and public education.

www.immigrantjustice.org

The Night Ministry connects with Chicago's vulnerable youth and adults through street outreach, youth shelter and supportive services, and their mobile health outreach bus. They provide basic resources, free healthcare, housing and supportive services for youth and referrals to other agencies for specific resources.

www.thenightministry.org

(773) 784-9000

Pillars provides comprehensive mental health services, including a 24-hour hotline and crisis intervention for victims of domestic violence and sexual violence. Pillars runs the Constance Morris House, a domestic violence shelter, and offers legal advocacy and counseling for women and children experiencing domestic violence and sexual violence including child sexual assault, incest, rape, and sex trafficking.

www.pillarscommunity.org/services/DomesticandSexualViolenceServices.asp

24 hour Domestic Violence Hotline: (708) 485-5254

24 hour Sexual Violence Hotline: (708) 482-9600

Prologues is an outreach team that travels throughout the city to provide HIV prevention and support services for people involved in the commercial sex trade.

Lucretia Clay-Ward, (773) 317-8711

Salvation Army's STOP-IT builds relationships with suspected trafficked persons through street outreach. They serve both children and adults who are impacted by sex or labor trafficking. STOP-IT offers services referrals and ongoing support to people who are currently being victimized or who have survived trafficking. They also conduct training seminars to raise awareness about the existence of human trafficking and offer practical assistance to community services providers. Contact the STOP-IT's 24-hour hotline, 1-877-606-3158, to report a

suspected case of human trafficking including commercial sexual exploitation of children, sex trafficking, and labor trafficking.

(773) 275-6233 X3029

Young Women's Empowerment Project is a community-based, youth-led project that was founded in 2001 by a radical feminist and harm-reduction-based collective of women and girls involved in the sex trade, street economy, and their allies. They were created by women and girls who believe that any girl can be empowered and that all girls are priceless, creative, and smart and can be leaders in their communities. YWEP offers girls involved in the sex trade and street economy and who are ages 12-24 a place for non-judgmental support, harm-reduction information and resources.

www.youarepriceless.org

Advocacy Organizations Working on Issues of Sexual Exploitation in Chicago

Chicago Alliance Against Sexual Exploitation envisions a community free from all forms of sexual exploitation, including sexual assault and the commercial sex trade. CAASE addresses the culture, institutions, and individuals that perpetrate, profit from, or support sexual exploitation. Their work includes prevention, policy reform, community engagement, and legal services. As the lead agency for the End Demand Illinois campaign, CAASE seeks to refocus law enforcement's attention on pimps, johns and traffickers, while proposing a network of support and services for survivors of the sex trade.

www.caase.org and www.enddemandillinois.org

(773) 244-2230

Salvation Army's Partnership to Rescue Our Minors from Sexual Exploitation (PROMISE) is a Chicago faith-based organization working against the sexual exploitation of minors. Its mission is to address, in a holistic manner, the commercial sexual exploitation of youth under 18 in the Chicago area by focusing on prevention, intervention, outreach and service provision.

www.sapromise.org

(312) 286-2011

Prostitution Alternatives Round Table is a network of governmental and private non-profit organizations and survivors of prostitution dedicated to addressing the many issues surrounding prostitution and homelessness in Chicago. PART is a project of the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless and is led by an active Steering Committee and Committee of Survivors of Prostitution.

www.chicagohomeless.org

(312) 435-4548

Soroptimist is an international volunteer organization comprised of professional women working to improve the lives of women throughout the world through raising public awareness, fundraising, programming, and membership.

<http://www.soroptimist.org/>

Traffick Free is dedicated to raising awareness about human trafficking by conducting presentations for churches, schools, and groups. They also serve as a liaison with the community, linking community members with trafficking service providers for training, educational, and volunteer opportunities.

For additional information:

www.traffickfree.org