



FREEING YOUTH FROM SEX TRAFFICKING

To Whom It May Concern:

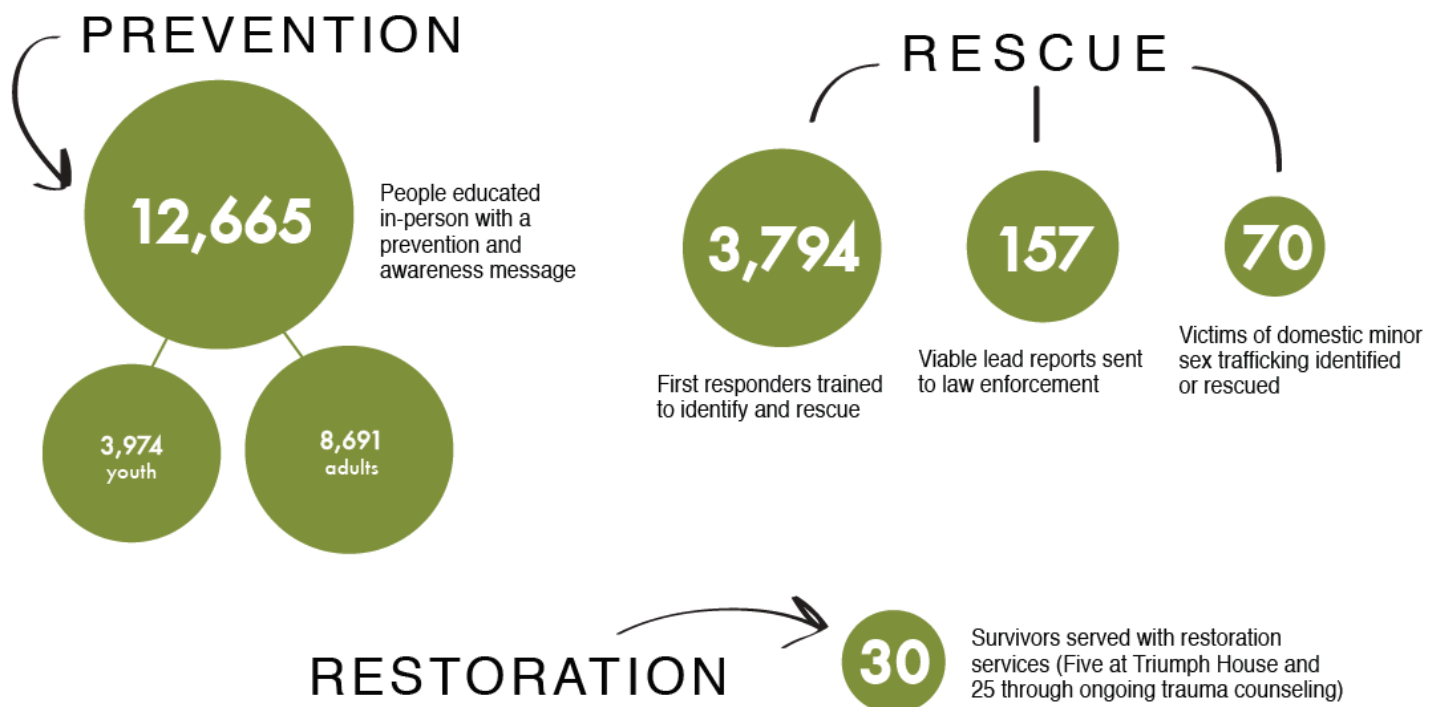
What a busy time of year! We know that you are busy closing out the semester. As you make plans to schedule your teacher work days before the start of the 2015-2016 school year, please take a moment to look review our Traps program. Education is key to raising awareness and prevention of sex trafficking. Our team has trained more than 20,000 people on this crime and identified 150 youth victims of sex trafficking in the last three years.

We would love to schedule a training for your counselors, or your entire staff. Afterward, we can follow up with our *Traps* prevention program for your students in the classrooms. Please contact us with any questions or to schedule your training.

Sincerely,

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# 2014 Traffick911 Results





Keeping our youth safe and free from sex traffickers.

## Traps of a Trafficker Youth and Parent program

Traffick911's interactive *Traps of a Trafficker* equips youth and parents to avoid the tricks, traps and lures of traffickers. Traffick911 speaks to youth in schools, Boys and Girls Clubs, juvenile detention, youth groups and other venues. The program is adapted to the age group and also is presented to PTAs and other parent groups.

### Learning Objectives:

1. **Expose the trap.** Recruiters are setting traps for American children that have just the right bait to lure them into their clutches. Some traps are more obvious than others. This program teaches children and teens how they are out to trick, trap and lure them.
2. **Reveal the bad decisions.** Youth think they are invincible. Age-appropriate case studies illustrate how one bad decision has forever changed the lives of real children and teens just like them.
3. **Show their hangouts.** Recruiters and traffickers hang out where our children do – on the Internet, on their cell phones, in our malls, walking the hallways of our schools, etc. The Traps takes away their hiding places by teaching youth how and where they are hiding out right where they are hanging out.

4. ***Teach them how to stay invincible.*** Equip youth with tools to stay safe – what to NEVER do and what to ALWAYS do.

5. ***Spur them to action.*** Help youth develop an understanding of the red flags of a friend who is being trafficked and help them realize they can help fight this crime.

***Traffick911 community awareness program***

Traffick911 also speaks to civic and religious groups, including Lions Club, Rotary, churches, ministry events, etc.



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## Training and Speaking Bio

### Traffick911 background information

Traffick911, which prevents, rescues and restores victims of domestic minor sex trafficking, was recognized by Dallas Homeland Security Investigations as a most-valued partner in this battle to save our American children.

*"I have never seen the referrals that have come from a non-governmental organization like Traffick911 that have resulted in so many arrests. We get a lot of referrals, but never to the point where we have been able to act upon the leads and make the arrests."*

*- Dallas Homeland Security Investigations Special Agent Keith Owen*

*"You are so important to Homeland Security Investigation's work in the Dallas area. We at HSI are huge fans of T911. We are at your disposal to continue this righteous fight and great cause."*

*- Homeland Security Special Agent and  
North Texas Trafficking Task Force Supervisor  
Shawn McGraw*

Traffick911 was awarded the ICE Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director award from its Washington, D.C. headquarters for breaking a lead that resulted in the federal conviction of a pimp and bottom who sold a Fort Worth minor. Traffick911 also was named the 2013 Outstanding Organization of the Year by the Fort Worth Commission for Women with commendations by the Fort Worth City Council, mayor and State Senator Wendy Davis.

Traffick911 has identified or rescued more than 140 victims of this horrific crime and our work has led to multiple felony arrests, convictions and pleas, such as:

<http://www.expressnews.com/news/local/article/Slave-trader-child-pimp-handed-four-life-5616286.php>

<http://crimeblog.dallasnews.com/2013/07/denton-county-judge-sentences-man-to-20-years-for-selling-a-teenage-girl-for-sex-in-five-states.html/>.

- [http://www.justice.gov/usao/txn/PressRelease/2013/NOV2013/nov12Miller\\_sent.html](http://www.justice.gov/usao/txn/PressRelease/2013/NOV2013/nov12Miller_sent.html).

<http://www.ice.gov/news/releases/1310/131018ftworth.htm>.

<http://crimeblog.dallasnews.com/2014/09/dallas-man-sentenced-to-15-years-in-federal-prison-for-selling-15-year-old-girl-into-prostitution.html/>

*"I work with girls who have been victims of sex trafficking. This issue requires a community solution, and I take great pride in the groups with whom I work and partner. I am particularly grateful to Traffick911, an entity that continues to go above and beyond to prevent, identify, and rescue victims of sex trafficking. Traffick911 provides services to some of the most abused and neglected youth of our times. These children are beaten, abused, sexually exploited, drugged, and often considered "throwaways" in our society. At times they are even charged with prostitution. Traffick911 has partnered with governmental agencies to come alongside the victims and their families and to provide the opportunity for healing and justice."*

*- Judge Kimberly McCary, Denton County, Texas*

## **Traffick911 4-hour DMST training and results**

### **Learning Objectives:**

1. **Define the scope.** Introduce attendees to the scope of domestic minor sex trafficking in the United States, the state and the local area, as well as the laws and work to combat this crime.
2. **Uncover the vulnerabilities.** Build knowledge of the key vulnerabilities of at-risk groups, such as runaways, youth with truancy violations, homeless children, etc., while realizing any child can become a victim.
3. **Recognize the dynamics.** Understand the drivers, including buyer demand, pimp manipulation and control, abuse within the home, and cultural facilitators.
4. **Rescue victims.** Know the red flags to look for in a victim, including physical and psychological signs of involvement, and learn strength-based and trauma-informed methods of asking questions to identify victims.
5. **Pinpoint needed changes and strategies.** Begin the discussion of needed changes to current policies and procedures.

### **Training Agenda:**

1. Global trafficking
2. What is domestic minor sex trafficking: national, state, local
3. Scope of DMST
4. Where does the state stand: laws and history
5. Who are the victims
6. Identification and professional intervention
7. Recruitment and control

8. Demand drives the machine
9. Unique needs
10. Societal influence

In 2013 and 2014 alone, Traffick911 has trained more than 20,000 people on this crime. First responders include:

- Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport Police, Fire and other DPS
- Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport TSA
- Texas Department of Public Safety
- Homeland Security Investigations
- Local law enforcement agencies
- School districts
- Hospitals and other medical personnel
- Juvenile Justice staffs, including the Ron Jackson State Correctional Facility
- CPS
- Child Advocacy Centers
- Dallas Bar Association

Conferences we have spoken at include:

- Last three National Association for the Education of Homeless Children
- National Association of Christian Social Workers Conference
- Sam Houston State University Correctional Management Institute of Texas Annual Gang Conference.
- TCLEOSE 360 State Conference for Strategic Community Engagement and Coalition Building
- Correctional Management Institute of Texas Drug Impact Conference
- 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on the Management of Adults and Juveniles with Sexual Behavior Problems
- 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Juvenile Sex Offender Management Conference
- 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Innovative Approaches to Family Violence
- Educating Texas Communities about Child Health and Tobacco
- Texas Conference on Ending Homelessness
- Texas Association Against Sexual Assault Conference
- Cutting Edge Conference
- Facing Family Violence Conference
- Prevent Child Abuse Conference

Not only do we receive the highest evaluations, we have documented identifications and rescues out of our trainings:

*“Prior to our training, we had not recognized any victims of sex trafficking at the hospital. Within 8 months, 11 victims were identified, and since then, many more. The affiliation we have with Traffick911 is invaluable. This organization is able to provide help and resources for the gaps that exist in governmental organizations. I wholeheartedly support the efforts of Traffick911,” Dr. Sophia Grant, CARE Team, Cook Children’s Hospital.*

Training evaluation comments include:

*"I teach the course for the Police Dept. which is mandated by the state, but I learned so much today that is not included in the state training," James Butch, San Angelo Police Department.*

*"I work for DPS and have received several training courses in human trafficking. This one was by far the best one," Tyler, Texas, Department of Public Safety Officer.*

*"This was my second time, and I came again because the first time was so awesome. Thank you for opening eyes!" Brittany Myers, Texas Department of Family and Protective Services.*

The in-depth training provides specific information for various professions that work with children and offers CEUs for some professions in Texas. Tracts with specific red flags and professional-intervention techniques for that profession include:

- Law Enforcement
- Juvenile Justice Systems
- Trauma Counselors
- Medical Professionals
- Educators / Social Workers
- Airlines, Airports, TSA