

# C.A.U.S.E TASKFORCE Central Arizona United to Stop Exploitation

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- On April 13, 2017, the International Rescue Committee in Phoenix (IRC) received financial clearance from the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Victims of Crime (OVC) to begin its Central Arizona United to Stop Exploitation (CAUSE) project.
- ☐ Through this initiative, the IRC is partnering with Phoenix Dream Center, StreetLight USA and the Phoenix Police Department to provide comprehensive services to all victims of human trafficking.

## Objectives – First Grant Cycle (2017 - 2019)

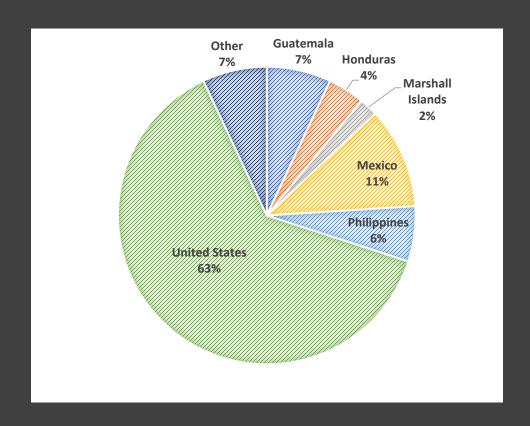
The CAUSE task force had five objectives to be accomplished during the 3 year grant period:

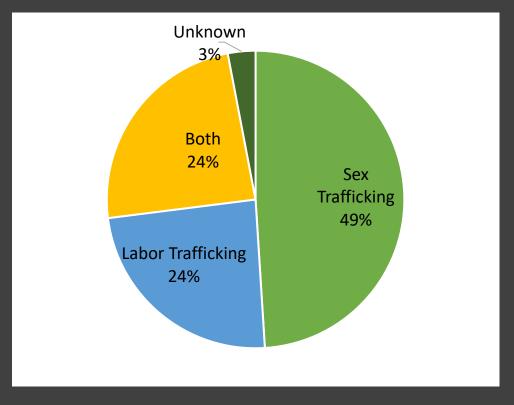
- 1. Enhance and strengthen the multidisciplinary human trafficking task force implementing victims-centered trauma-informed collaborative and sustainable approaches.
- 2. More effectively identify victims of all types of human trafficking.
- 3. Investigate and prosecute all forms of trafficking cases.
- 4. Address the individualized needs of victims through a comprehensive array of quality services.
- 5. Conduct professionalized training and outreach to fellow law enforcement agencies, service providers, stakeholders, and the greater Phoenix metropolitan community.

#### Accomplishments (2017 - 2019)

- Quarterly joint task force and quarterly law enforcement meetings were held.
- Over 105 community events attended by service provider partners.
- Over 17,740 service professionals were trained during the grant cycle by the service provider and law enforcement partners
  - Recipients included schools, universities, community colleges, faith-based organizations, businesses, service providers, law enforcement and state and local agencies.
  - Topics covered in these trainings included collaboration and building multidisciplinary relationships, defining human trafficking and how to identify victims, risk factors for human trafficking, procedures for reporting, techniques for screening and interviewing, services available for trafficking victims, culturally and linguistically appropriate services, local and global dimensions of human trafficking, health and trauma consequences and volunteer training.
- □ 108 clients served through this funding.
- □ 72,415 service units provided to clients.
  - \$43,692 in financial assistance to clients (food, clothing, medical, personal items, etc. does not include rent or housing assistance)
  - 8,839 counts of housing assistance (total number of beds per night)

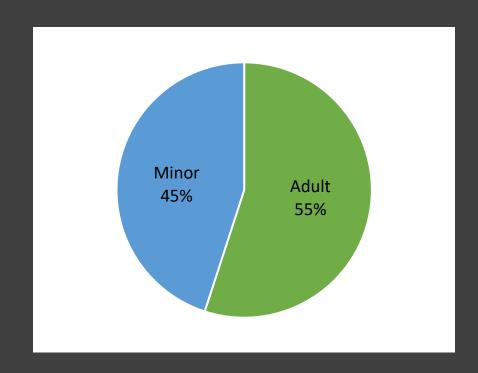
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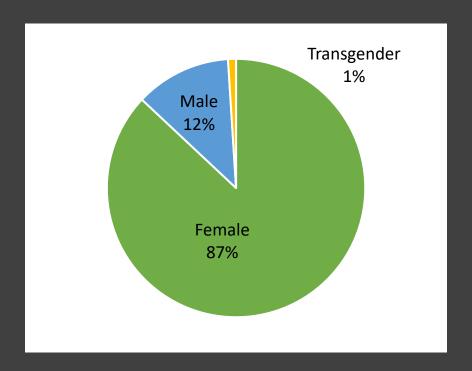


**Trafficking Type** 

#### 108 Clients Served



Age at Intake



**Identified Gender** 

#### Services for Victims

- Intake and Eligibility Assessment
- Intensive Case Management
- Shelter/Housing and Sustenance
- Medical and Dental Care
- Mental Health Treatment
- Substance Abuse Treatment
- Interpretation/Translation Services
- System-Based Victim Advocacy
- ☐ Family Support and Reunification / Childcare

- Document Assistance
- ☐ Life Skills Training
- Education Assistance
- Employment Readiness and Assistance
- Transportation Assistance
- Crisis Intervention and 24-hour Response
- Legal Services

### Objectives – New Grant Cycle (2020 - 2022)

- 1. Enhance and sustain consistent, experienced, and committed task force partnerships and coordination.
- Improve the identification of all types of victims of human trafficking through victimcentered and trauma-informed outreach.
- 3. Service partners will meet the individualized needs of all victims of human trafficking by providing a comprehensive array of victim-centered services suited to the unique needs of liberated victims.
- 4. Partners will improve the community response to human trafficking.
- 5. Partners improve task force operations through data collection and action research.

#### ~THANK YOU~

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