U.S. Virgin Islands: Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Region II

This state profile summarizes regionally specific data to help promote collaboration and inform and enhance the response to human trafficking in the U.S. Virgin Islands. Information was reported to the National Human Trafficking Hotline from December 2012 to December 2016.

The image above is a heat map that reflects the cases reported to the National Human Trafficking Hotline in 2016. Areas in which greater numbers of cases were reported contain more red shading. There is significant red shading in the western portion of the island. This map only reflects cases in which the location of the potential trafficking was known. Some cases may involve more than one location.

DEMOGRAPHICS OF POTENTIAL PERSONS TRAFFICKED:

Citizenship
- U.S. Citizen/Legal Permanent Resident: <3
- Foreign National: <3

Gender
- Female: 3
- Male: <3
- Gender Minorities: <3

Age
- Adult: 3
- Minor: <3

*These statistics are noncumulative. Cases may involve multiple victims and include males and females, foreign nationals and U.S. citizens, and adults and minors. In some cases, callers do not provide demographic information.

TOP
SEX TRAFFICKING VENUES
All sex trafficking venues reported fewer than three times.

TOP
LABOR TRAFFICKING VENUES
All labor trafficking venues reported fewer than three times.

Types of Calls to the National Human Trafficking Hotline in 2016

High Risk
100%

The data contained in this document are based on aggregated information learned through signals—phone calls, emails, and online tip reports—received by the National Human Trafficking Hotline. The data do not represent actual numbers of cases identified or processed, nor do they represent the entire scope of human trafficking.

For more information, visit https://www.acf.hhs.gov/otip/training/nhtac.
U.S. Virgin Islands Human Trafficking Laws
(Sex Trafficking, Labor Trafficking, Safe Harbor, Vacating Convictions, etc.)

- Trafficking of Persons §134

To access this statute, visit https://www.victimlaw.org/victimlaw/ and search by citation.

U.S. Virgin Islands Statewide Efforts

COLLABORATIONS (Coalitions, Task Forces, Working Groups)
- U.S. Virgin Islands Crimes Against Children Task Force
- U.S. Virgin Islands Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Council

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
- Victims of Crime Act grants and funds

Human Trafficking Hotlines

LOCAL

Women’s Coalition of St. Croix Crisis Center Hotline.............................................................718–250–2770

Call this 24-hour hotline for crisis intervention and victim services.

The National Hotline serves victims and survivors of human trafficking and the anti-trafficking community across the United States and its territories, 24/7, in more than 200 languages. Contact the confidential hotline to report tips, seek services, ask for help, or receive information and statistics related to human trafficking.

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