California: Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Region IX

This state profile summarizes regionally specific data to help promote collaboration and inform and enhance the response to human trafficking in California. 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. Areas in southwest, northwest, central, and northeast California contain red shading. This map only reflects cases in which the location of the potential trafficking was known. Some cases may involve more than one location.

**TOP 5 SEX TRAFFICKING VENUES**
1. Commercial-Front Brothels
2. Hotel-/Motel-Based
3. Street-Based
4. Online Ad. Venue Unknown
5. Residential Brothels

**TOP 5 LABOR TRAFFICKING VENUES**
1. Domestic Work
2. Traveling Sales Crews
3. Peddling Rings
4. Begging Rings
5. Health & Beauty Services

For more statistics on human trafficking in California, visit [https://humantraffickinghotline.org/state/california](https://humantraffickinghotline.org/state/california).

For more information, visit [https://www.acf.hhs.gov/otip/training/nhttac](https://www.acf.hhs.gov/otip/training/nhttac).
California Human Trafficking Laws
(Sex Trafficking, Labor Trafficking, Safe Harbor, Vacating Convictions, etc.)

- Victim Assistance: Victims of Trafficking, Domestic Violence, and Other Serious Crimes | § 13283
- Training for Law Enforcement | § 13519.14
- Sexually Exploited Minors; Training and Collaboration | § 18259
- Investigative Tools: Definitions of Criminal Profiteering Activity, Prosecuting Agency, Organized Crime | § 186.2
- Victim Assistance: Definitions | § 18945
- Human Trafficking Definition | § 236.1
- Asset Forfeiture | § 236.3
- Law Enforcement Endorsement Regulations | § 236.5
- Access to Civil Action: Civil Action for Damages to Victims of Human Trafficking | § 52.5

California Statewide Efforts

COLLABORATIONS (Coalitions, Task Forces, Working Groups)
- San Diego Human Trafficking Task Force
- Orange County Human Trafficking Task Force
- Los Angeles Human Trafficking Task Force
- Central Valley Human Trafficking Task Force
- Kern Coalition Against Human Trafficking
- South Bay Coalition to End Human Trafficking
- San Francisco Mayor's Task Force on Anti-Human Trafficking
- Bay Area HEAT Coalition
- San Mateo County Human Trafficking Working Group
- No Traffick Ahead

- Riverside County Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force
- Santa Barbara Human Trafficking Task Force
- Santa Clara County Human Trafficking Task Force
- San Luis Obispo Human Trafficking Task Force
- Coalition to End Human Trafficking in Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties
- Sonoma County Human Trafficking Task Force
- Bay Area Child Exploitation Task Force/Innocence Lost Working Group
- Sacramento County Human Trafficking Task Force
- Northern California Anti-Trafficking Coalition
- Tulare County Human Trafficking Task Force

RESOURCES (State Research, Publications, Trainings)
- The Nature and Extent of Gang Involvement in Sex Trafficking in San Diego County
- Ending the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children: A Call for Multi-System Collaboration in California
- Looking for a Hidden Population: Trafficking of Migrant Laborers in San Diego County

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
- Victims of Crime Act grants and funds
- California Governor's Office of Emergency Services grants

CAMPAIGNS
- The Ugly Truth San Diego

Human Trafficking Hotlines

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.

888–373–7888

LOCAL

Coalition to Abolish Slavery & Trafficking (CAST) Hotline....................................................888–539–2373
Contact CAST's 24/7 toll-free hotline to request services or report tips regarding potential human trafficking cases.

Alameda County HEAT Watch Tipline.................................................................510–208–4959
The Human Exploitation and Trafficking (HEAT) Watch Tipline is operated by the Alameda County District Attorney's Office. Contact the tipline to report potential human trafficking situations in the Bay Area.

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