Iowa: Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking

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

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

For more statistics on human trafficking in Iowa, visit https://humanhumantraffickinghotline.org/state/iowa.

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

TOP 2
LABOR TRAFFICKING VENUES
1. Traveling Sales Crews
2. Agriculture

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.
Iowa Human Trafficking Laws
(Sex Trafficking, Labor Trafficking, Safe Harbor, Vacating Convictions, etc.)

- Enticing a Minor | § 710.10
- Human Trafficking | § 710A
- Training for Law Enforcement | § 80B.11
- Victim Rights | § 915.51

Iowa Statewide Efforts

COLLABORATIONS (Coalitions, Task Forces, Working Groups)
- Human Trafficking Enforcement and Prosecution Initiative
- Iowa Network Against Human Trafficking

RESOURCES (State Research, Publications, Trainings)
- An Analysis of Human Trafficking in Iowa
- Human Trafficking: The Iowa Perspective
- Iowa Human Trafficking Resources
- State of Iowa Victim Needs Assessment

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
- Victims of Crime Act grants and funds
- Campaigns
- Teens Against Human Trafficking

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.

Iowa Victim Service Call Center Hotline

Iowa Victim Service Call Center is a resource to victims and survivors of crime throughout all of Iowa. If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, human trafficking, sexual violence, or any other crime, call the Iowa Victim Service Call Center or text 'iowahelp' to 20121.

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