

RESOURCES FOR SOCIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS



This resource guide contains the following tools developed to provide background information and guidance for social service providers to identify and communicate with victims of human trafficking:

• Tips for Identifying and Helping Trafficking Victims

Social service providers may come in contact with victims of human trafficking without realizing it, therefore losing a chance to help these victims escape. This tool provides tips and guidelines for identifying and assisting trafficking victims.

Screening Questions to Assess Whether a Person Is a Trafficking Victim This tool contains the types of screening questions social service providers should

This tool contains the types of screening questions social service providers should consider when trying to determine if someone is a victim.

Understanding the Mindset of a Human Trafficking Victim

By understanding a trafficking victim's mindset – molded by coercion, violence and fear at the hands of the trafficker – social service providers can gain a victim's trust so they can provide optimal care and initiate important support services to help the victim rebuild his/her life.

Communicating with Victims of Human Trafficking

This tool offers social service providers suggested messages for communicating with victims of human trafficking. Because most victims are afraid and initially hesitant to cooperate, often fearing for their lives, these messages provide strategic word choice and usage geared to establish trust between the provider and the victim.

• PowerPoint Presentation for Social Service Providers

This PowerPoint presentation can be used as an information tool or training resource for social service providers to gain a better understanding of their role in helping to identify and assist victims of human trafficking.