

Resource Round-Up

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A monthly e-newsletter of news, training, and resources in support of anti-trafficking efforts in Maine.

RESOURCES

[From Gloom to Gratitude: 8 Skills to Cultivate Joy](#)

NPR - May 5, 2019

"We're not saying don't be sad or upset about what's going on," Moskowitz emphasizes. "But we know people can experience positive emotion alongside that negative emotion, and that positive emotion can help them cope better."

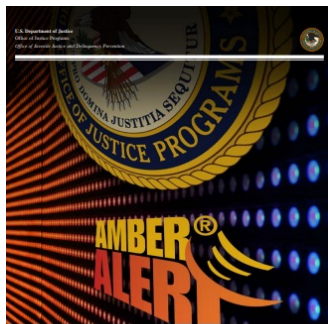


Cornelia Li for NPR

[AMBER Alert Best Practices](#)

Office of Justice Programs

This resource provides a “what works” approach to responding to cases of missing or abducted children at the state and regional levels. “Protecting children—especially those whose lives are in imminent danger—is fundamental to the mission of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention,” said OJJDP Administrator Caren Harp. “This new resource will give our regional, state, and local AMBER Alert partners the latest information, solicited from veteran public safety officials and seasoned experts, on how to respond swiftly and effectively to child abductions.”



AMBER Alert Best Practices

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[Practice Implications for Commercially Sex Trafficked Youth](#)

Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking

Report published by the [Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking](#), evaluates a youth program through the evaluation of the demographic characteristics, services provided, an assessment of impact, and provides recommendations for future program services.



Scout fills need for CourageLIVES

Courier - May 2, 2019



"When we met I didn't realize the level of work he had put into this project, to get the community involved, the painstaking effort to make every chair beautiful,' Nason said. 'It's not just about making Adirondack chairs. He put his heart and soul into this to let (residents) know that someone who doesn't even know them would take the time to make something for them.'"

The WHO Has Diagnostic Codes for People Hit by Spacecraft-But not for Human Trafficking Victims

Fortune - May 2, 2019

"We ask, "Do you feel safe in your relationship?" but the way that we ask that...if you're staring at a computer screen and the patient knows that you're just checking a box, it doesn't matter,' Hanni Stoklosa says, but having a true conversation can be transformative. 'I can test for a heart attack, I can test for a blood clot, it's a black and white thing, but when it comes to having these kinds of really sensitive conversations with patients, it's not about just asking the questions.'"



By JACQYNE GALLOCCI May 2, 2019

Maine Senate Lifts Penalties on Underage Prostitution

Free Press Online - May 2, 2019

"The Maine Senate voted 26-7 last week to pass LD 548, which would prohibit minors from being charged with the crime of prostitution. Testifying in support of the bill, Maine Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers argued that juveniles charged with prostitution shouldn't be considered criminals, as many are victims of sex trafficking. 'Branding a juvenile victim of human trafficking a prostitute is stigmatizing and traumatic and truly unnecessary,' wrote MACDL Executive Director Tina Nadeau. 'When juveniles, the majority of which are female and LGBTQ+ juveniles, engage in commercial sex, there are so many other factors at play, including histories of sexual abuse, mental health issues, substance abuse disorders, unstable living situations, and family violence. These children do not benefit from criminalization of the situations into which they have been forced into participating.'"



For referrals to Maine services or to report a tip:
The National Human Trafficking Resource Center
1-888-373-7888

assistance, and resources to direct service providers engaged in anti-trafficking efforts in Maine, as well as community awareness and public policy support.

Maine STEN is a program of the [Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault](#).

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