



## Resource Round-Up

September 15, 2017

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

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### NEWS

#### [Senate Passes Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act](#)

September 12, 2017 | Polaris Project

On Monday, the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act and the Abolish Human Trafficking Act passed in the Senate. This legislation has bipartisan support and strengthens and reauthorizes key programs that support survivors of human trafficking and provides resources to law enforcement officials. It now goes to the House of Representatives for their consideration. Follow the bill's process [here](#).

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### RESOURCES

#### [National Survey - Impacts of Immigration Policy on Survivors of Human Trafficking](#)

CAST, Freedom Network USA, and Polaris invite you to fill out a survey regarding your experiences with survivors of human trafficking. The [survey](#) consists of 26 questions and will take about 15 minutes to complete.



Freedom Network USA

As the current administration reshapes the government budget and immigration enforcement policy, they are interested to understand the impact of these efforts on human trafficking survivors. As front line advocates and direct service providers, you have a unique window into the current needs of human trafficking survivors that are unmet because of funding limitations as well as the impact of new immigration enforcement policies on survivors and anti-trafficking efforts.



POLARIS PROJECT  
IMAGINE FREEDOM

#### [2016 National Hotline Annual Report Released](#)

The National Human Trafficking Hotline created a written report that takes a deep dive into data collected from the 27,201 phone calls, 1,580 emails, and 2,137 online tips received in 2016. The report includes a break-down by who is calling, reasons for calling, age, gender, location, and venue of the potential trafficking.

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### TRAINING

\*Webinar\*

[Commercial Sex Trafficking - Using Research Findings To Support Investigations Webinar Series](#)

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention  
National Criminal Justice Training Center  
Wednesday, September 13, 2017 (Part I); [Tuesday, September 19, 2017 \(Part II\)](#); [Tuesday, September 26, 2017 \(Part III\)](#) all at 2:00-3:30pm EST

This three-part series explores research related to the commercial sex trafficking of minors. Dominique Roe-Sepowitz, MSW, Ph.D., will present her research findings regarding traffickers, buyers, and American Indian persons with an aim to improve system responses to victims. The first webinar in the series examines research related to the perpetrators of commercial sex trafficking, including common characteristics and grooming methods.

**\*Recorded Webinar\***

**[The Brain on Trauma: Physiological Cues to Understanding and Working With Trafficking Survivors](#)**

Project REACH, The Trauma Center at JRI

**Save the Date**

**[Building Thriving Communities Conference](#)**

Maine Resilience Building Network and The Bingham Program  
November 2 & 3, 2017 in Northport, Maine

**Join the conference if you are working to:**

- Promote population health and wellness
- Support Mainers who struggle with addiction or mental illness
- Communicate about Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) in your community
- Prevent or reduce addiction and chronic illness
- Ensure that all infants, toddlers and preschoolers arrive at preK or kindergarten “ready to be successful” in school & life
- Increase high school graduation rates
- Ensure workforce readiness
- Build resilience in individuals, groups, and communities

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

The Maine Sex Trafficking and Exploitation Network provides training, technical 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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