



ARIZONA HUMAN TRAFFICKING COUNCIL MINUTES

October 2, 2014
9:00 AM

1700 West Washington Street, Governor's 2nd Floor Conference Room
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

A meeting of the Arizona Human Trafficking Council (Council) was convened on October 2, 2014 at 9:00 AM. in the 2nd Floor Conference Room, 1700 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the Council.

Members Present

Cindy McCain (Co-Chairperson)
Gil Orrantia (Co-Chairperson)
Margery Ault
Allie Bones
Chad Campbell
Timothy Chung
Michael Derfus

Chuck Fitzgerald
Carolyn Jones
Debbie Johnson
Dominique Roe-Sepowitz
Sarah Suggs
Brian Steele

Members Absent

Chris Bray
Jon Eliason
Sheila Polk
Grant Woods

Guests

The Honorable Janice K. Brewer
Bill Montgomery

Staff Present

Tammy Paz-Combs
Leah Meyers
John Raeder

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 AM.

2. INTRODUCTIONS

Mrs. Cindy McCain introduced Governor Janice Brewer and requested that the members of the Council introduce themselves.

3. TRAINING PRESENTATION

Lt. Col. Timothy Chung provided an update on the work of the Training Committee. He discussed the Committee's work with the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board (AZPOST) and the Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) to develop a human trafficking training curriculum. He also discussed specific training opportunities that DPS had provided in collaboration with the Texas Rangers. Lt. Col. Chung also stated that the Training Committee and DPS continue to work on a run-away data base and the Nursing Board publication which will be released in November.

Mr. Lyle Mann, Executive Director, AZPOST, provided a brief overview of the function, duties and authority of AZPOST. He then explained that beginning in January 2015, verified sex trafficking training will become a basic requirement for all new Arizona law enforcement recruits. By mandating this new training, which will include nine classroom hours dedicated to sex trafficking, as well as comprehensive exams on performance objectives related to each topic, Arizona will be on the cutting edge of this crucial issue nationally. Each year, approximately 700 new law enforcement officers graduate from Arizona police academies. To reach existing officers, AZPOST is creating a sex trafficking training video to be distributed to law enforcement agencies statewide and has worked with a variety of community and governmental partners to provide advanced training throughout Arizona.

Mr. Mann emphasized the importance of changing the paradigm by recognizing that human trafficking is not a "victimless crime"; by understand the magnitude of the problem; enhancing available community resources; and by continuing to engage stakeholder through multidisciplinary training.

4. OUTREACH & AWARENESS PRESENTATION

Commander Michael Derfus and Ms. Debbie Johnson provided a presentation on the Arizona Human Trafficking Council's new website. The website, EndSexTrafficking.AZ.gov, serves as an important tool to inform and encourage Arizonans to be a voice in the fight against human trafficking. Prominently displayed on the website is a new public service announcement (PSA) featuring Governor Brewer and Council Co-Chairs Mrs. McCain and Director Gil Orrantia. The site also features the National Human Trafficking Hotline Number, information on human trafficking, Arizona laws, recent news, training and other resources.

5. GOVERNOR'S REMARKS

Governor Brewer thanked the Co-Chairs, Mrs. McCain and Director Orrantia, and the members of the Arizona Human Trafficking Council for their hard work. She also thanked the many citizens in the audience and throughout Arizona for their diligent work to eradicate the scourge of human trafficking in Arizona.

Mrs. McCain and Director Orrantia thanked Governor Brewer for her leadership.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Council approved the September 10, 2014 minutes by unanimous vote.

7. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Public members did not respond to the call.

8. ADJOURN

Mrs. McCain adjourned the meeting at 9:50 AM.