Building Collaborative Responses to Trafficked Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

Training Institute in New Orleans, LA

November 14, 15, and 16, 2023
Apply by September 11, 2023

Multidisciplinary teams are invited to participate in the Building Collaborative Responses to Trafficked Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Institute. The Institute will focus on improving collaborative responses for domestic violence and sexual assault survivors who have also experienced human trafficking.

As a result of the Institute, participants will be better able to:
♦ Strengthen multi-disciplinary collaborative strategies in responding to adult and youth survivors of trafficking with domestic violence and sexual assault experiences.
♦ Define and clarify professional and organizational roles and responsibilities in responding to trafficked survivors.
♦ Recognize the ways human trafficking can intersect with domestic and sexual violence.
♦ Provide a survivor-centered and trauma-informed collaborative response to trafficked survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault, considering equity, inclusion, and accessibility.
♦ Create a collaborative action plan to address human trafficking (HT) in the context of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Institute Schedule and Participation Activities:
A. Participate in the in-person Institute, 2.5 days
♦ Tuesday, November 14, 2023: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
♦ Wednesday, November 15, 2023: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
♦ Thursday, November 16, 2023: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

B. One preparatory live webinar and team assignment, Oct. 19, 2023 (2-3 Hrs.).

Please apply in multidisciplinary teams by September 11, 2023
Decisions will be made pending Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) approval.

For questions, including on your team configuration, please contact:
Vivian Baylor, learning@futureswithoutviolence.org
Who is invited to attend?

♦ Multidisciplinary teams comprised of **different organizations** (teams of 2-4) which may include but are not limited to: domestic violence/sexual assault program staff, healthcare staff, attorneys/legal experts, law enforcement, anti-human trafficking programs, and task force members, and other community-based programs. It is recommended that team members have at least 1-2 years of anti-HT experience.
♦ **At least one of the team members needs to represent a DV/SA organization.**
♦ Teams with diverse decision-makers with at least one designated lead person.
♦ OVW grantees and their OVW grantee partners can participate and use their OVW travel funds to send grant-funded staff and partners to this training, with prior approval from their OVW Program Manager.
♦ Priority will be given to groups that have recently started or would like to enhance their existing collaborative efforts to improve support for HT survivors, through an anti-human trafficking task force, coalition, or other multidisciplinary partnership.

Invited Faculty

♦ **Kiricka Yarbough-Smith**, HT Consultant, NC
♦ **Perla Flores**, Community Solutions/South Bay Coalition to End HT, CA
♦ **Sheri Combs**, Covenant House New Orleans, Greater New Orleans HT Task Force
♦ **David Ryan**, Chief of Police, (retired), Westchester County Anti-HT Task Force, NY

Teams interested in participating must submit an application. **If you are using OVW funds to participate, please obtain approval from your OVW program specialist. Your application is not confirmed until you receive an acceptance letter from FUTURES’ staff.** Space is limited to 12 multidisciplinary teams.

**Cost:** The training is provided free of charge. Participants are responsible for their own meals, lodging, travel arrangements, and costs associated with attending. Accommodations are available at the government rate of $151/night plus 16.20 % tax + $2 occupancy fee. Logistics information will be provided upon confirmation.

*This event is pending OVW approval. Do not make any travel arrangements until you receive official acceptance.*

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**Complete the application by Sept. 11.** Each team member should fill out a form.

**Application link:** [https://forms.gle/E4ttqWf62DXj55Ss6](https://forms.gle/E4ttqWf62DXj55Ss6)

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