



## **BIG BEND COALITION AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

### **HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH**

### **CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**

### **JANUARY – MARCH 2019**

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#### **“PERSPECTIVES” CALL IN RADIO SHOW ON WFSU (88.9 FM)**

**Date:** Thursday, January 3, 2019, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Location:** Tune in on the radio: 88.9FM

<http://news.wfsu.org/programs/perspectives-wfsu-889-wfsu-fm>

**Description:** A panel of representatives from the community, the Survive and Thrive Advocacy Center, and the Big Bend Coalition Against Human Trafficking will provide an overview of local human trafficking issues and upcoming events, with a focus on labor trafficking and being a “conscious consumer.”

**Cost:** Free

**Contact:** Robin Hassler Thompson, [robin@surviveandthriveadvocacy.org](mailto:robin@surviveandthriveadvocacy.org) or 850-597-2080

#### **“TRAFFICKED IN AMERICA” – PBS AND WFSU BROADCAST**

**Date:** Monday, January 14, 2019, 10 – 11 p.m.

**Location:** Tune into PBS station - WFSU TV

**Description:** FRONTLINE and the Investigative Reporting Program at U.C. Berkeley tell the story of Guatemalan teens forced to work against their will in the Midwest. The investigation uncovers a criminal Network that exploited undocumented minors, companies that profited from forced labor and the U.S. Government’s role. This documentary can be prompt discussions throughout the month. **Watch the trailer:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0-30v3FP4J4>

**Cost:** Free - See your local TV listings. **Watch online anytime:**

<https://www.pbs.org/video/trafficked-in-america-pppgmt/>

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#### **HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMMUNITY TRAINING PROGRAM**

**Date:** Friday, January 18, 2019, 1-3 p.m.

**Location:** The Kearney Center, Municipal Way, Tallahassee, FL (due to limited parking carpooling/early arrival advised.)

**Description:** This certificate program will focus on the knowledge and skills to recognize and assist human trafficking survivors in a variety of settings. Special topics will include identifying labor trafficking cases in the Big Bend and survivors’ rights and remedies, including immigration issues.

**Registration Information:** If interested, send your name and contact information to [stac@surviveandthriveadvocacy.org](mailto:stac@surviveandthriveadvocacy.org)

**Costs:** Free. This is the first of 2019 monthly 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday community training programs.

**Sponsor:** STAC in affiliation with the Big Bend Coalition Against Human Trafficking, and the Kearney Center/CESC

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### **FSU STUDENT AWARENESS EVENT**

**Date:** Thursday, January 24, 2019, 6:00 – 8:00p.m.

**Location:** Student Services Building, FSU Campus, Student Services Building, Room 214, Tallahassee, FL 32301

**Description:** This is a “Blue Campaign” event. Learn about how trafficking cases develop as a Homeland Security investigator presents on local trafficking cases. Also learn about how to look out for red flags, and ways to stay safe if one is ever caught in a dangerous situation. Students will also be given the resources to find ways to get involved with anti-trafficking efforts within the Tallahassee community. For more see Facebook event link:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1095337550644593/>

**Cost:** Free

**Contact:** Daniela Donoso, [BBCAHT.Students@gmail.com](mailto:BBCAHT.Students@gmail.com)

### **GADSDEN COUNTY COMMUNITY HUMAN TRAFFICKING FORUM**

**Date:** Saturday, January 26, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Location:** Gadsden County Public Library, 732 Pat Thomas Parkway, Quincy, FL 32351

**Description:** This forum will focus on the issues of human trafficking in Gadsden County including both sex and labor trafficking, and the impact of trafficking after disasters like Hurricane Michael. Local and community leaders will present information and hold an open forum to discuss human trafficking, how to support farmers and other food purveyors whose produce and work is “slavery-free,” and other needed community responses.

**Registration Information:** <https://gadsdenevent.eventbrite.com/>

**Cost:** Free, refreshments included

**Contact:** Monica Smart Gainous; [msquincy64@gmail.com](mailto:msquincy64@gmail.com); 850-510-4015

### **FILM SCREENING: CALIFORNIA’S FORGOTTEN CHILDREN**

**Date:** Sunday, January 27, 2019, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

**Location:** FSU Student Life Cinema

942 Learning Way Tallahassee, Florida 32304 (parking can be challenging; advise early arrival)

**Description:** Florida Premiere: “California's Forgotten Children” is a feature documentary about child sex trafficking. The film recounts true stories of girls and boys who were commercially sexually exploited in California and are now survivors and courageous leaders fighting for the rights of victims worldwide. The survivors’ stories show that any child can be exploited regardless of ethnicity or social economic background. This film highlights heroic stories from abolitionists and advocates who work night and day to protect children and to put an end to this epidemic. The showing will be followed by a panel discussion.

**Cost:** Free

**Hosts/Co-Sponsors:** BBCAHT, Advocates for Immigrant and Refugee Rights (AIRR); International Rescue Committee, Going Places Street Outreach Program, STAC

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### **FINDING JUSTICE FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS: LABOR TRAFFICKING**

**Date:** Thursday January 31, 11:30 – 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** FSU College of Law, Room: Rotunda 107, 425 W Jefferson St., Tallahassee, FL 32301

**Description:** Justice system representatives and experts will speak on a range of issues raised by the PBS Frontline documentary film “Trafficked in America” which will be shown from 11:30a.m. – 12:30 p.m. with lunch and program to follow immediately the film. Topics will include: the prevalence of labor trafficking in Florida and in the Big Bend; the challenges and realities of trafficking of minors and their vulnerability; immigration legal issues and assistance for victims; and how those in the justice system and the public can best respond to bring justice to trafficking survivors and our community.

**CLE credit pending**

**Registration Information:** <https://www.surviveandthriveadvocacy.org/finding-justice-for-human-trafficking-survivors-labor-trafficking/>

**Hosts/Sponsors:** FSU College of Law, FSU Center for the Advancement of Human Rights, Survive and Thrive Advocacy Center (STAC), Legal Services of North Florida, Tallahassee Women Lawyers, International Rescue Committee, Sister’s Embrace, FSU Golden Key Society, and OUTLaw.

**Cost:** Program is free; lunch is provided. If CLE required: \$75; CLE scholarships available, contact STAC.

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### **HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMMUNITY TRAINING PROGRAM**

**Date:** Friday, February 15, 2019, 1-3 p.m.

**Location:** The Kearney Center, Municipal Way, Tallahassee, FL (due to limited parking carpooling/early arrival advised.)

**Description:** This certificate program will focus on the knowledge and skills to recognize and assist human trafficking survivors in a variety of settings. Special topics will include identifying sex trafficking cases of youth in the Big Bend and survivors’ needs and assistance.

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**Cost:** Free

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### **HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMMUNITY TRAINING PROGRAM**

**Date:** Friday, March 15, 2019, 1-3 p.m.

**Location:** The Kearney Center, Municipal Way, Tallahassee, FL (due to limited parking carpooling/early arrival advised.)

**Description:** This certificate program will focus on the knowledge and skills to recognize and assist human trafficking survivors in a variety of settings. Special topics will include issues facing our schools and how to mobilize in schools and higher education to identify and intervene in human trafficking cases in the Big Bend, including how students can mobilize and take action.

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**Cost:** Free

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### **“IMAGINING FREEDOM CULINARY TASTING”**

**Date:** Thursday, March 28, 201 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**Location:** Turnbull Center, 555 West Pensacola St., Tallahassee, FL 32301

**Description:** The “Imagining Freedom Culinary Tasting” is a casual dining event to raise awareness about both labor and sex trafficking in the Big Bend. Food stations, coordinated by Susan Turner and Food Glorious Food, will feature dishes that are slavery-free and not part of food chains that include trafficked labor. Experts will provide insights and answer questions about trafficking and will offer concrete ways guests can help victims of human trafficking.

**Registration Information:** see [www.surviveandthriveadvocacy.org](http://www.surviveandthriveadvocacy.org)

**Cost:** \$100; sponsorships available

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**BIG BEND COALITION AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING (BBCAHT) CONTACT INFORMATION:**

\*\*\*NOTE: ALL BBCAHT MEMBERS WHO WISH TO ATTEND EVENTS MUST REGISTER. \*\*\*

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