This is the first annual report aggregating data from anti-human trafficking and law enforcement agencies in central California in an historic, Central Valley Human Trafficking Data Project. The data instrument itself was formed and shaped with the collective wisdom and guidance of 23 separate agencies from Merced to Bakersfield. The project is stewarded by the Fresno Pacific University Center for Community Transformation, a Leadership Foundation with oversight from the Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission Central Valley Against Human Trafficking Project in accordance with Fresno City Mayor’s Initiative to Combat Human Trafficking.

These reports are generated quarterly in April, July and October of each year, followed by an annual report in January. The full data instruments, including the types of data collected and questions asked are available upon request, and participating agencies are listed at the end. **The data included in this report must be regarded as partial for 2019**, as the project only went live mid-year (June 1, 2019). Many agencies chose to reach back to the beginning of the year, but others did not. The reporting process achieved a significant response rate (82.6%) with 19 of the 23 agency partners submitting data.

**Specific sorts are possible upon request.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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^ “Other” in above chart includes Youth For Christ Group Home Ministry, Madera Community Action, Valley Crisis Center, The Alliance Against Family Violence and Sexual Assault, Beauty for Ashes, World Impact Emergency Response Apartment, Mollie’s House, and Marjaree Mason Center. **Law Enforcement** includes Fresno Police Chaplaincy, Fresno PD, Bakersfield PD, Madera PD, Clovis PD
Number of Reports by Type: (Victims, individual pre-victims, vulnerable individuals, Prevention/Awareness, Victim Arrests, Soliciting arrests, Street Outreach, etc.).

Victims by Type

Industries in which Victims were working:

^ “Pre-victims/vulnerable individuals” (purple) category is used for law enforcement (Chaplaincy) specifically. When combined with the “pre-victims” (yellow) category all other agencies use, there are 166 records. Of all pre-victims and/or vulnerable individuals, 27.7% report evidence of trauma or violence, 24% are or have been in foster care, 22.8% have a history of juvenile detention, 9.6% have already been lured or accosted, 8.4% are not enrolled in school, 9.6% are dating much older persons, and 7.8% report gang affiliation. “Other” in the above chart includes Direct Street Outreach. Overall, there were 461 Unique Identifiers collected representing victims, pre-victims or vulnerable individuals, and 619 total Unique Identifiers for all categories. See notes at end for total number of unique/unduplicated HT Victims. Of total victims of trafficking, 84 were labor, 168 were sex, and 16 were both.

^ The lion share (37%) of victims of sex trafficking were working the streets, followed by those working in commercial sex environments, domestic service and massage businesses. Victims of labor trafficking constituted a significant block of total reported HT victims (16%), working in various industries including agriculture, construction, domestic service, bars/cantinas, brothels, porn, and drug smuggling.
Victims by Ethnicity

The response listed as “-” in blue means *ethnicity not reported*. Most victims were Lantinx (50%) followed by Black and White at about 13% each.

Labor Victims by Industry

The response listed as “-” in blue section means *Industry not reported*.

Ages of Victims and Pre-Victims: The largest number of victims were between 19-49 years old. Pre-victims were present in all age categories, but the 13-15 set predominated followed by 16-18.

Victim’s First language other than English

The response listed as “-“ in blue section means *language not reported*. Additional sorts are possible correlating age, circumstance, industry, etc. Of note, there were twice as many victims 19-24 years old as 16-18 years old.
**Total number of HT training/awareness events held in Central CA by agency**

These are events designed to give skills to people to discern signs of trafficking or to more effectively care for victims. “Other” includes Marjaree Mason Center, The Lighthouse, World Impact Emergency Response Apartment and Fresno Police Chaplaincy.

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**Total number of attendees at general HT training or awareness events in Central CA by agency**

Significantly, 10,300 people were trained in some form: “Other” includes the Lighthouse, Marjaree Mason Center and Fresno Police Chaplaincy.

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**Total number of direct contacts made in street outreach by agency**

Locations of outreach are available, but Parkside Drive predominates, followed by Belmont and Olive avenues.

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**Number & percent of circumstances of arrest for PC674b-solicitation**

The majority of arrests made for solicitation of sexual services (64%) were made on the streets, followed by those soliciting sex in commercial sex environments such as massage businesses (33%). “Other” includes via internet.
Ages & Gender of arrests OR contact for PC674b-solicitation

%^ (Blue color “-” means no response to that category on form). Both customers and the trafficked can be arrested for solicitation. Men were almost entirely customers. Law Enforcement offers referrals for services to female victims arrested. Female arrests reflect even distribution between 19-49 years. In male arrests 25-49 predominates.

Records submitted by Law Enforcement

%^ Police chaplaincy is related to Law Enforcement but is its own entity. “Other” includes Madera County Sheriff and Clovis PD. These records include all types, such as outreach to vulnerable populations, work with pre-victims and vulnerable individuals, as well as arrests.

Percentage of victims for whom data was available who answered regarding drug use who indicated drug use (22%) or connection to addiction

%^ Agencies were only able to gather answers regarding drug use from 117 out of 295 victims. Some agencies don’t ask the question, and sometimes even for those that do, an answer is not given.

Victims Receiving Services

%^ Of 295 victims, 230 received services of some sort. The next chart details some of these. (Blue color “-” means no response to that category on form).
Specific services delivered to victims^ 

Half of reports indicated service was provided but did not enumerate which services. Largest service delivery occurred in U-type visa and Food/Clothing, followed by Crisis Intervention and Counseling.

Victim recruitment portal or method among those who were willing to answer ^ 

Top recruiting method was by “Romeo,” followed by “fear,” however “economic need” and “promised job” when combined, equaled nearly a third.

IMPORTANT NOTES

- It is assumed that 2019 data are partial given the start date, but most agencies made heroic efforts to work backwards toward the start of the year. It is not known what percent of reports were not filed.
- There were 619 total Unique Identifiers recorded for all types of reports. The unique identifiers of 24 of them showed up more than once in the system, sometimes reported by the same agency (they returned), and sometimes reported by multiple agencies (for various services). This represents 3.8% of all records.
- Unique identifiers of 19 victim/pre victims who showed up more than once represent 3.9% of all victim/pre-victim records. We reduce the overall total of victims and pre-victims to 443.
- Of the 295 VICTIM reports of HT there were 276 unique HT victims.
- There was only one case of a Unique Identifier recurring in Law Enforcement AND a service agency.
- Law Enforcement numbers represent Fresno Police Department, Fresno Police Chaplaincy, Bakersfield Police, Madera County Sheriff and Clovis PD, so far, though we have agreements with Reedley PD as well. We hope to add other Valley PDs and Sheriffs by January.
- Data input was done by each agency using a secure system stewarded by Fresno Pacific University, in accordance with California law - AB998 which allows for multi-disciplinary teams to work together confidentially with data related to HT. Casefiles were never shared. Unique identifiers protected the identity of victims. Data analysis and search capabilities are limited to three persons.
- Some agencies did not answer all questions on the forms.
ITEMS OF INTREST

1. The reporting process achieved a significant response rate (82.6%) with 19 of the 23 agency partners submitting data. New partners in the Central Valley will be added in 2020.

2. There is a clear need for greater synergy between agency intake forms and the data instrument. Agencies might want to consider adding questions to their forms that the data instrument asks.

3. Accuracy and compliance will grow as agencies become more familiar with the form. Improvements are especially to be achieved in the reporting of services delivered, where more than 50% were not enumerated.

4. Data project measures arrests (rather than prosecutions) in order to more simply assess the demand side.

QUESTIONS FOR REPORTING AGENCIES

1. What additional data would be helpful to YOUR agency that might aid your work?

2. How might this current data influence shape or influence your work, (e.g., modify your intake form for greater synergy with data instrument, help you make staffing choices, allocation of resources, add/change services, alter methods)?

3. After having used the data instrument, do you have an insight or recommendation? What and why?

APPENDIX I - Participating Agencies who agreed to the project

1. Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission Central Valley Against Human Trafficking Project
2. Central Valley Justice Coalition
3. Breaking the Chains
4. Mollie’s House
5. Made for Them
6. Valley Crisis Center
7. Department of Social Services
8. Centro la Familia
9. Madera Community Action
10. Beauty for Ashes
11. Marjorie Mason Center
12. Tulare Family Services
13. Fresno Police Department
14. Fresno Police Chaplaincy
15. Alliance Against Sexual Violence-Bakersfield
16. Fresno County Sheriff
17. Clovis Police Department
18. Reedley Police Department
19. Youth for Christ Group Home Ministry
20. Bakersfield Police Department
21. The Lighthouse Recovery Program
22. Evangel Home
23. World Impact Emergency Response Apartment

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