

## Senate 1951 Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force

- AG/Designee
- Secretary of Economic Development
- Colonel of State Police
- Representative of Mass. Police Chiefs
- Representative of MDAA
- Commissioner of BPD
- Representative of MPTC
- Director of DPL
- Representative of Interjurisdictional Anti-HT Task Force
- Representative of MOVA
- Representative of MOCA
- Representative of Trafficking Victims Outreach Service
- Representative of MIRA
- Representative of Jane Doe, Inc.
- Representative of MACA
- Representative of a anti-child trafficking coalition
- Senate President appointee
- Senate Minority Leader appointee
- Speaker appointee
- House Minority Leader appointee
- Survivor of domestic human trafficking (Gov. appointee)
- Survivor of international human trafficking (Gov. appointee)
- Attorney (adult HT) (Gov. appointee)
- Attorney (child HT) (Gov. appointee)
- Caseworker (adult) (Gov. appointee)
- Caseworker (child) (Gov. appointee)
- Medical professional (Gov. appointee)
- Psychologist (adult) (Gov. appointee)
- Psychologist (child) (Gov. appointee)
- University researcher (Gov. appointee)
- Service provider for children/runaways (Gov. appointee)
- Representative from MA Comm. on Status of Women (Gov. appointee)

### Task force mandates:

(1) collect and organize data on the nature and extent of human trafficking in the commonwealth including the harms and consequences to human trafficking victims;

(2) identify available federal, state and local programs and licensing bodies to provide services, benefits or licenses to human trafficking victims including, but not limited to, health care, mental health, human services, housing or shelter services, education, legal

assistance, job training or preparation, interpreting services, English-as-a-second-language classes, voluntary repatriation and victim's compensation, and examine how to move human trafficking victims quickly through the system in order to provide them with timely services;

(3) evaluate approaches to increase public awareness of human trafficking and offer recommendations for programs and educational and training opportunities for law enforcement and social service providers including, but not limited to, methods used to identify human trafficking victims including preliminary interviewing and questioning techniques, methods of protecting the special needs of women and child human trafficking victims, developments in state and federal laws regarding human trafficking, and methods to increase effective collaboration between state and local agencies, law enforcement, social service providers and non-governmental organizations;

(4) examine collaborative models between government and nongovernmental organizations for protecting human trafficking victims;

(5) measure and evaluate the progress of the commonwealth in preventing human trafficking, protecting and providing assistance to human trafficking victims, and prosecuting persons engaged in human trafficking;

(6) analyze existing laws and regulations of the commonwealth, including the effectiveness of existing victim-witness assistance laws, regulations and services and confidentiality laws, for their adequacy in addressing human trafficking and, if the analysis indicates that such statutes are inadequate, recommend legislation to specifically address human trafficking;

(7) examine existing first offender prostitution solicitation programs in the commonwealth, and in other states, and identify grants that may be used to develop and implement statewide first offender prostitution solicitation programs for the commonwealth

(8) consult with governmental and nongovernmental organizations in developing recommendations to strengthen state and local efforts to prevent human trafficking, protect and assist human trafficking victims, and prosecute human traffickers; and

(9) examine the costs associated with establishing a safe house pilot program for adult and child victims of human trafficking and identify public and private funding sources that may be used to develop and implement a safe house pilot program;

(10) examine cost-effective notices, announcements or advertisements that may be displayed in public places, such as airports, train stations, bus stations, hotels, massage

parlors, spas, strip clubs and other sexually-oriented businesses providing information relating to services for human trafficking victims;

(11) develop a strategy and relevant methodologies for training providers in health and human services in the recognition of signs and circumstances indicating that an individual is the victim of human trafficking and the appropriate steps to report the individual to the appropriate law enforcement personnel or agencies;

(12) develop and promulgate materials that may be used by school administrators and educators in the identification of human trafficking victims and the appropriate actions to be undertaken when such victims are identified and to educate school officials as to the scope and magnitude of human trafficking in the nation and the commonwealth;

(13) identify strategies for the facilitation and development of public-private partnerships to assist in the identification, prosecution and eradication of human trafficking;

(14) examine, in conjunction with the department of elementary and secondary education, the feasibility of conceptualizing, developing and disseminating health curricula on the unique aspects of commercial exploitation related to the internet, internet safety curriculum about the dangers of human trafficking and how to prevent it and developing a parent guide and teacher training material on internet safety and methods of preventing the exploitation of minors over the internet;

(15) examine additional tools needed to prohibit the use of United States currency in facilitating human trafficking, focusing on income derived, directly or indirectly, from a pattern of racketeering activity or through collection of an unlawful debt, including, but not limited to, the enactment of statutes similar to 18 U.S.C. 1962.

(16) issue an annual report outlining the task force's findings under clauses (1) to (15), inclusive.