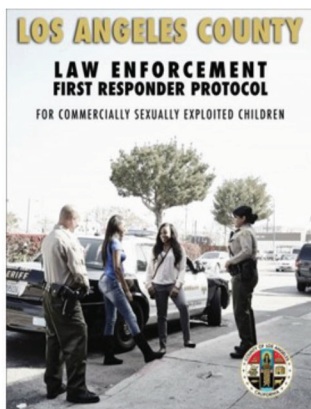


Our Mission:

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD), in partnership with federal, state, county and local law enforcement; social service agencies and victim service providers, is committed to ending human trafficking in all its forms in **Los Angeles County**, with a keen focus on commercially sexually exploited Children (CSEC). LASD personnel will apply prevention and intervention strategies and a victim-centered approach to protect the most vulnerable segment of our population while aggressively pursuing justice to the fullest extent of the law against those individuals and groups responsible.



Reporting

Partner to prevent or report crime by contacting your local Sheriff's Station.

If you wish to remain anonymous, call "LA Crime Stoppers" at **800-222-TIPS (8477)**,

or

visit the Website:

www.lacrimestoppers.org

If you are the victim of Human Trafficking or know someone who is, call the Saving Innocence Hotline number:

888-616-HEAL

(888-616-4325)



323-526-5156

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What is Human Trafficking?

Trafficking is the:

- Recruitment,
- Harboring,
- Transportation,
- Provision, or
- Obtaining (or attempting to do so)
...of a person...

By means of...

- Force
- Fraud
- Coercion

EXCEPT: Force, fraud and coercion are not required to show trafficking of a minor for commercial sex acts.

For the purpose of...

- Commercial Sex Acts
- Involuntary Servitude
- Debt Bondage
- Slavery

**(Trafficking Victims Protection Act
of 2000)**

Our Approach to Combat Human Trafficking:

- **Victim**
Identify and rescue commercially sexually exploited children and address the individualized needs of these victims through a victim-centered, trauma-informed comprehensive approach;
- **Trafficker**
Work with our justice partners to aggressively investigate, arrest and prosecute the perpetrators to the fullest extent of the law;
- **Demand**
Conduct supply and demand operations to reduce demand. Buyers (Johns) of commercially sexually exploited children will be arrested and charged as child molesters. Assist in educating the public to report and reduce the cycle of abuse.



The **Los Angeles County Sheriff's Human Trafficking Task Force** houses the nation's largest regional co-located human trafficking task force.

The **LA Regional Human Trafficking Task Force** is like no other: It combines one mission, under one roof, to support the investigative strategies of federal, state, county and local law enforcement from a multitude of policing agencies across California, under the leadership and expertise of the nation's largest Sheriff's Department, with the prosecutorial authority of the United States Attorney's Office, the California State Attorney General, and the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office; ***The task force brings together systems and disciplines*** with the victim's needs always at the core of what we do. Our valued partnership with Saving Innocence, and other non-government organizations, along with working closely with our County's social service agencies, allows us to address the needs of our victims through a victim centered, trauma informed approach.

The **S.A.F.E Team** is also housed at the **Human Trafficking Task Force** and is part of the Internet Crimes against Children Task Force. They are responsible for :

- Oversight of 290 P.C. Registrant Program
- Assisting LASD Stations with 290 P.C. Compliance
- Investigating child abuse and exploitation cases involving prior sex registrants.