

**Ventura County Sheriff's Office
Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force
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Ventura, California 93009**

**Interface Children & Family Services
Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force – Victim Services
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Memorandum of Understanding

The **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** is a multi-disciplinary task force that brings law enforcement agencies and victim service providers together to combat human trafficking (sex and labor) in Ventura County. The task force is administered and facilitated by the **Ventura County Sheriff's Office** (lead law enforcement agency) and **Interface Children & Family Services** (lead victim services provider).

Vision Statement:

The vision of the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** is to provide a swift and coordinated response to human trafficking (sex and labor), in which perpetrators are held accountable and victims are protected and provided with high-quality services designed to address all needs.

Mission Statement:

The mission of the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** is to:

- Combat human trafficking (sex and labor) through a seamless collaboration between law enforcement and victim services providers;
- Use a trauma-informed, victim-centered, and culturally affirming approach in proactively investigating and prosecuting human trafficking (sex and labor) crimes; and
- Provide comprehensive, intensive, coordinated, and integrated services to all (adult, youth, and child) victims of human trafficking (sex and labor)

This memorandum of understanding stands as evidence that the members of the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** -- the **Ventura County Sheriff's Office** (lead law enforcement agency), **Interface Children & Family Services** (lead victim services provider), the **Ventura County District Attorney's Office**, the **Ventura Police Department**, the **Oxnard Police Department**, the **Port Hueneme Police Department**, the **Santa Paula Police Department**, the **Simi Valley Police Department**, **Forever Found**, the **Ventura County Coalition Against Human Trafficking**, the **Ventura County Probation Agency**, the **Ventura County Human Services Agency - Children and Family Services**, the **California Highway Patrol**, the **Ventura County Agricultural Commissioner**, the **Mixteco/Indigena Community Organizing Project (MICOP)**, the **Federal Bureau of Investigation**, the **U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)- Homeland Security Investigations Los Angeles (HSI-LA)** intend to work closely and collaboratively to expand and enhance the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** and enable the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** to continue to provide comprehensive, intensive, coordinated, and integrated services for human trafficking (sex and labor) victims. Each agency/organization strongly believes that the expansion and enhancement of the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** and the continued provision of comprehensive, intensive, coordinated, and integrated services for human trafficking (sex and labor) victims, as described within this

application, will greatly benefit Ventura County and human trafficking victims (sex and labor) who are identified in Ventura County and, therefore, strongly supports the submission of this application for an Enhanced Collaborative Model Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking grant. As a result, each agency/organization agrees to actively participate in the expansion and enhancement of the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** and the implementation of **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force – Victim Services** if the project is selected for funding, as outlined herein.

The **Ventura County Sheriff's Office**, as the lead law enforcement agency, will oversee, administer, and direct the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** and the expansion and enhancement of the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** and will:

- Provide administrative and fiscal oversight.
- Conduct contract and subcontract due diligence.
- Recruit, screen, hire, train, and/or supervise the Project Coordinator who will be responsible for the day-to-day implementation of the project.
- Co-facilitate the expansion and enhancement of the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**.
- Co-facilitate the quarterly **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel meetings.
- Co-facilitate the monthly **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** meetings.
- Work closely and collaboratively with the Project Evaluator on all evaluation-related tasks.
- Complete and submit all required reports.

The **Ventura County Sheriff's Office** will also:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
- Attend and actively participate in quarterly **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel meetings.
- Attend and actively participate in monthly **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** meetings and, as appropriate, monthly subcommittee meetings.
- Assist, as appropriate, with **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** project deliverables.
- Work on multi-jurisdictional human trafficking investigations.
- Work in partnership with federal, state, and/or local prosecutorial agencies and law enforcement agencies to successfully arrest, prosecute at the appropriate level and in the appropriate jurisdiction, and incarcerate human traffickers.
- Share intelligence and information that can lead to increased identification of human trafficking victims (sex and labor) who are transported throughout California for sex or labor through the use of force, fraud, and/or coercion (e.g., prostitution, indentured servitude, peonage, other forms of forced labor, etc.).
- Assist in coordinated efforts with victim services organizations to protect human trafficking victims and serve human trafficking victims in a trauma-informed, victim-centered, and culturally affirming manner.
- Provide guidance, insight, input, and support on matters related to human trafficking (sex and labor).
- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

Interface Children & Family Services, as the lead victim services provider, will oversee, administer, and direct the implementation of **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force – Victim Services** and will:

- Provide administrative and fiscal oversight.
- Conduct contract and subcontract due diligence.
- Recruit, screen, hire, train, and/or supervise the Project Coordinator who will be responsible for the day-to-day implementation of the project.

- Co-facilitate the expansion and enhancement of the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**.
- Co-facilitate the quarterly **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel meetings.
- Co-facilitate the monthly **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** meetings.
- Facilitate monthly service provider meetings.
- Facilitate the provision of comprehensive, intensive, coordinated, and integrated services for human trafficking (sex and labor) victims.
- Work closely and collaboratively with the Project Evaluator on all evaluation-related tasks.
- Complete and submit all required reports.

Interface Children & Family Services will also:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
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- Attend and actively participate in monthly service provider meetings.
- Ensure that adult human trafficking (sex and labor) victims are able to rapidly access appropriate comprehensive, intensive, coordinated, and integrated services.
- Develop and implement individualized case plans for adult human trafficking (sex and labor) victims.
- Provide services – client intake, client orientation, case management, basic needs, shelter and housing, life skills, individual and group counseling, transportation, documentation assistance, employment readiness and assistance, and 24-hour crisis intervention and response – to adult human trafficking (sex and labor) victims.
- Refer youth and child human trafficking (sex and labor) victims to other service providers in a timely manner to ensure rapid access of appropriate comprehensive, intensive, coordinated, and integrated services.
- Assist in coordinated efforts to protect human trafficking victims and serve human trafficking victims in a trauma-informed, victim-centered, and culturally affirming manner.
- Provide guidance, insight, input, and support on matters related to human trafficking (sex and labor).
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The **Ventura County District Attorney's Office** will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
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- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

The **Ventura Police Department** will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
- Attend and actively participate in quarterly **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel meetings.
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- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

The **Oxnard Police Department** will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
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The **Port Hueneme Police Department** will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
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- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

The **Santa Paula Police Department** will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
- Attend and actively participate in quarterly **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel meetings.
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- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

The **Simi Valley Police Department** will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
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- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

Forever Found will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
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- Assist in coordinated efforts to protect human trafficking victims and serve human trafficking victims in a trauma-informed, victim-centered, and culturally affirming manner.
- Ensure that youth and child human trafficking victims are able to rapidly access adequate and appropriate resources and services.
- Provide guidance, insight, input, and support on matters related to human trafficking (sex and labor).
- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

The **Ventura County Coalition Against Human Trafficking** will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
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- Provide guidance, insight, input, and support on matters related to human trafficking (sex and labor).
- Assist, when appropriate, with community outreach and awareness activities.
- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

The **Ventura County Probation Agency** will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.

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The **Ventura County Human Services Agency - Children and Family Services** will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
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- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

The **California Highway Patrol** will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
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- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

The **Ventura County Agricultural Commissioner** will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
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- Provide guidance, insight, and input on agricultural workers in Ventura County.
- Provide guidance, insight, input, and support on matters related to human trafficking (sex and labor).
- Assist, when appropriate, with community outreach and awareness activities.
- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

The **Mixteco/Indigena Community Organizing Project (MICOP)** will:

- Serve on the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel.
- Attend and actively participate in quarterly **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** Leadership Panel meetings.
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- Provide guidance, insight, and input on the Mixtec population in Ventura County.
- Provide training related to the Mixtec population in Ventura County for other **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** member agencies and organizations.
- Provide guidance, insight, input, and support on matters related to human trafficking (sex and labor).
- Assist, when appropriate, with community outreach and awareness activities.
- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

The **Federal Bureau of Investigation** will:

- Attend and actively participate in monthly **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** meetings and, as appropriate, monthly subcommittee meetings.
- Assist, as appropriate, with **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** project deliverables.
- Work on multi-jurisdictional human trafficking investigations that cross state borders.
- Work in partnership with federal, state, and/or local prosecutorial agencies and law enforcement agencies to successfully arrest, prosecute at the appropriate level and in the appropriate jurisdiction, and incarcerate human traffickers.
- Share intelligence and information that can lead to increased identification of human trafficking victims (sex and labor) who are transported throughout California for sex or labor through the use of force, fraud, and/or coercion (e.g., prostitution, indentured servitude, peonage, other forms of forced labor, etc.).
- Assist in coordinated efforts to protect human trafficking victims.
- Ensure that human trafficking victims identified in Ventura County are able to rapidly access adequate and appropriate resources and services in their state of residence.

- Provide guidance, insight, input, and support on matters related to human trafficking (sex and labor).
- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

Homeland Security Investigations will:

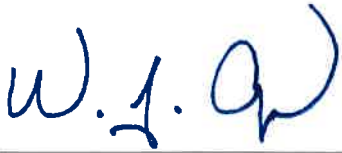
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- Provide guidance, insight, input, and support on matters related to human trafficking (sex and labor).
- Provide other support and services to the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force**, as needed.

Authority:

HSI-LA is authorized to enter into this Agreement pursuant to 6 U.S.C. section 112(c)(2) and under the Homeland Security Act of 2002, as amended, 116 Stat. 2135, Pub. L. No. 107-296, Nov. 25, 2002. HSI-LA is a law enforcement agency with enforcement authorities, including but not limited to the provisions of 19 U.S.C. § 1589a.

This memorandum of understanding will stand in effect for the three-year project period – October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2025.

We, the undersigned, as authorized representatives of the agencies and organizations that comprise the **Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force** do hereby approve this document.



Bill Ayub, Sheriff
Ventura County Sheriff's Office
(lead law enforcement agency)

June 16, 2022

Date

Erik Sternad, Executive Director
Interface Children & Family Services
(lead victim services provider)

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Shannon Sergey, Founder and President
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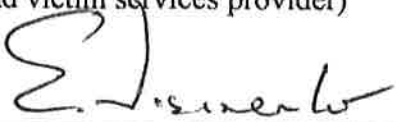
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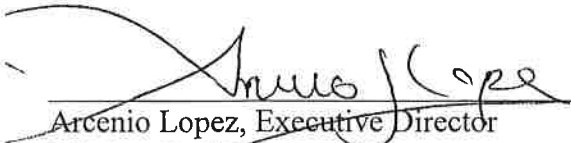
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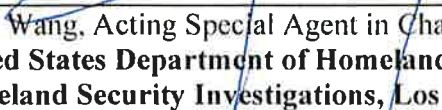
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VIA E-MAIL

Ventura County Sheriff William Ayub
800 South Victoria Avenue
Ventura, California 93009

Dear Sheriff Ayub:

The Ventura County Human Trafficking Task Force is a multi-disciplinary task force that brings law enforcement agencies and victim service providers together to combat both sex and labor trafficking within Ventura County, a county with a significant agricultural sector that is a well-known environment where human trafficking problems can arise. The task force was created in 2019, with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office serving as the lead law enforcement agency and Interface Children & Family Services operating as the lead victim services provider. The task force is applying for a Purpose Area 2 Enhanced Collaborative Model grant from the Department of Justice's Office of Victims of Crime. The purpose of the task force will be to continue its efforts to educate the public and first responders on how to detect and uncover human trafficking, especially in the area of labor trafficking.

The task force focuses on both state and federal investigations, and since its inception, created a protocol for how human trafficking should be investigated within the county. Prior to 2019, no such protocol existed. Interface Children & Family Services not only provides shelter for human trafficking victims, but also operates the 211 crisis line for such victims within Ventura County.

The United States Attorney's Office is committed to working together with this task force to continue its efforts to combat human trafficking in all its forms within Ventura County. We look forward to aiding the task force in uncovering, investigating and prosecuting individuals who prey on victims within this community.

Respectfully,

Kim Meyer
Assistant United States Attorney
Human Trafficking Coordinator