



**Trafficking Intervention Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
July 12, 2019 – 9:30 am to 1:00 pm
Tilikum Conference Room, Portland Legal Office**

In Attendance: Elizabeth Alston, Kristen Farnworth, Amber Harchuk, Molly McDade-Hood, Esther Nelson, Alex Palm, Daniel Rollings, Shannon Sivell, Amanda Swanson
Phone Attendees: Rich Austria, Nina Belli, Dana Vidoni Carelle, Mary Dirksen, Alex Palm, Margaret Scott, Cassie Trahan, JR Ujifusa
Absent: Joyce Armstead, Rebecca Bender, Hon. Valeri Love, Chad Opitz, Tom Perez
Minutes: Sherree Rodriguez

Welcome

Amanda introduced Daniel Rollings to the Advisory Committee (AC) as the Department of Justice (DOJ) Fund Coordinator who oversees the funding of the state trafficking intervention work.

Minutes – previous meeting

The AC members approved the minutes from April 5, 2019.

Application Review

The AC reviewed three applications for membership. Dr. Adebimpe Adewusi was approved. Mike Gallagher's application was tabled until the October meeting. Joel Shapiro's application was declined.

Jackson County Coalition Against Sex Trafficking was approved by the committee as the Task Force for that area.

Updates

- Dana Vidoni Carelle is moving toward retirement. Because of this, Nathaline Frener is assuming the role of juvenile justice representation on the board. Nathaline serves as Lane County Youth Services Division Manager.
- A Village For One has partnered with Department of Human Services to build a residential facility for female-presenting trafficking survivors. The location is Clackamas County, where they own four acres. They hope to open late winter 2020.
- Clackamas and Multnomah Counties have collaborated to establish an expert human trafficking witness who can testify in trafficking cases. They hope this sets a precedent for other counties.
- Multnomah County Department of Community Justice applied for a grant to research data on traffickers. Multnomah County Sherriff's Office is moving forward to obtain an Institutional Review Board to research sex trafficking data, particularly buyer information that will prove helpful moving forward.
- The American Prosecutor Association has asked JR to chair their subcommittee on human trafficking. In preparation for the Miami-Dade Super Bowl in 2020, they hope to conduct a prosecutor training on trafficking.
- The National Advisory Committee to the Office on Trafficking in Persons is actively requesting input in any area of trafficking. JR requested input be provided to him prior to their October meeting.
- The County Task Force Coordinator Summit was held in May and was very successful. The coordinators provided helpful input. They have requested more state input for policy and



procedure. Because of this, the AC will work to develop more best practice, so that every county can offer the same standard of service.

- DOJ is working to hire a dedicated full time analyst to help support law enforcement in their efforts. This person will work out of the Criminal Justice Division.
- The DOJ training effort has moved toward discipline-specific training. In 2019, Cassie Trahan has been working with Amanda to provide Mental Health trainings at various state locations.

Subcommittees Reports

Law enforcement subcommittee

The subcommittee is working with the Sexual Assault Task Force to provide a four day training for law enforcement staff.

Bench Card Subcommittee

Kristen requested input from group members on the bench card. When the card is ready, Judge Love will send along a personal letter to the judges. The group discussed the possibility of promoting the Bench Card at the Child Abuse Summit next year. A stated goal is to place the cards in new judge's training. A segment of the AC met with Kristen following this meeting to provide input.

2020 Human Trafficking Awareness Event – Liz

As the 2019 Human Trafficking Awareness Event was so successful, it will be repeated on January 10, 2020. Liz requested a three-line bio from each voting member of the AC, along with a photo and a public-access email address to use in the creation of a contact document for distribution at the event.

The AC will provide nominations for the Community Honors Award, from individuals or groups who are collaborative, embedded in community, have made change in the movement, who have interacted with service providers, asked for input and advice, and have come to the table with humility. These nominations will be discussed at the October meeting. The first week of November, nominees will be notified.

Definitions and Criteria for Trainers – Liz

Liz reviewed information she has gathered related to general practice of vetting trainers for trafficking intervention work. She is working on clarifying and defining the criteria of credible trainers to be published in a best practice paper. The AC is encouraged to provide further input as to information or sources for inclusion. The paper will be posted on the DOJ website on the Trafficking Intervention page. The AC will review this further at the next meeting.

ACTIONS:

- Amanda will speak with Robin Reimer about connecting with the Child Abuse Summit for promotion of the Bench Card.
- AC members will come to the October meeting prepared to nominate candidates for the Community Honors Award.
- AC members will come to the October meeting prepared to provide any input to the definitions and criteria for trainers' research.
- Amanda will follow up with Staysha Hackmann regarding Jackson County approval and Dr. Adewusi's AC approval.
- JR will follow up with Mike Gallagher regarding the question about what role he would represent on the AC.

The meeting adjourned at 10:23 am. The next meeting is scheduled for October 11, 9:00 to 11:30.