



Anti-Human Trafficking Update

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Agenda

- Data
- Response to Need
- Funding Challenges
- Awareness and Resources
- Recommendation



Data

- EHSD Direct Services & CSEC/Y 2024 Data
- Contra Costa Human Trafficking Task Force 2024 Data



EHSD Direct Services

Children and Family Services Bureau (CFS)

Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) Services Program

From January 2024- December 2024,

131 children served.

Workforce Services Bureau (WFS)

Trafficking and Crime Victim Assistance Program (TCVAP)

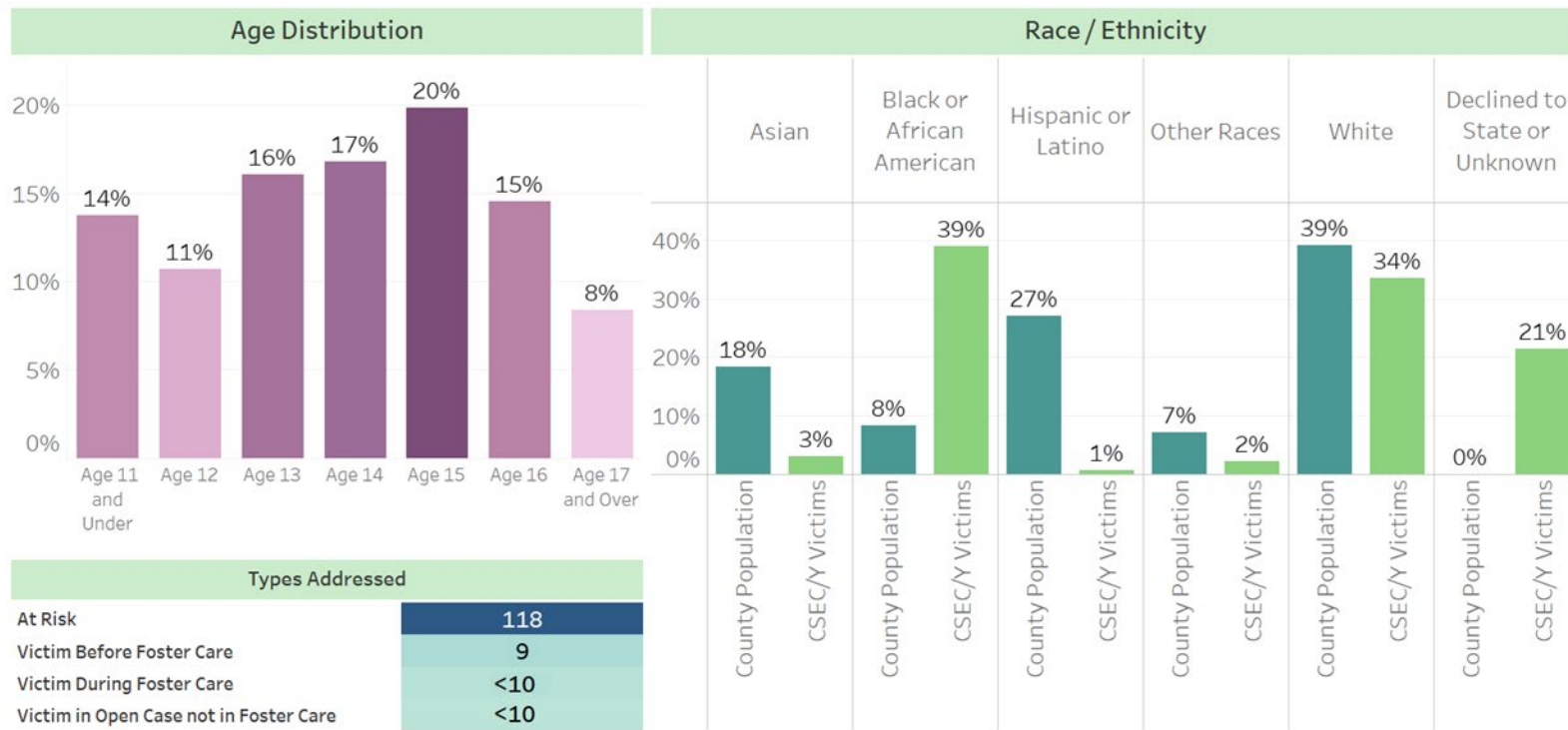
From January 2024 - December 2024,

- **18** received TCVAP cash aid.
- **267** received TCVAP CalFresh.
- **\$932,113** issued in TCVAP cash aid & CalFresh combined.



January 2024 - December 2024

CSEC/Y* Data



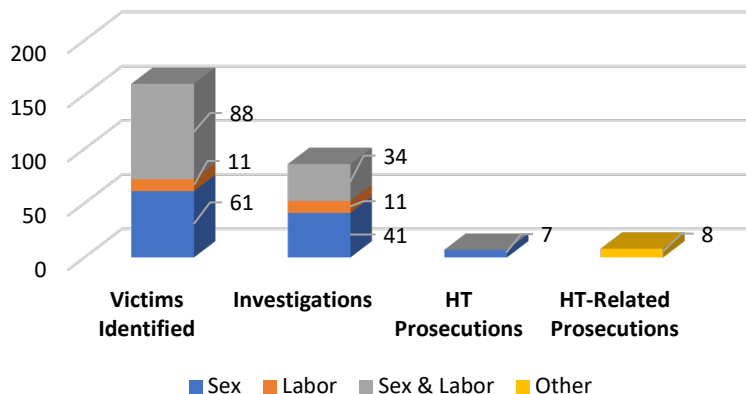


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Lead Agencies' 2024 Data

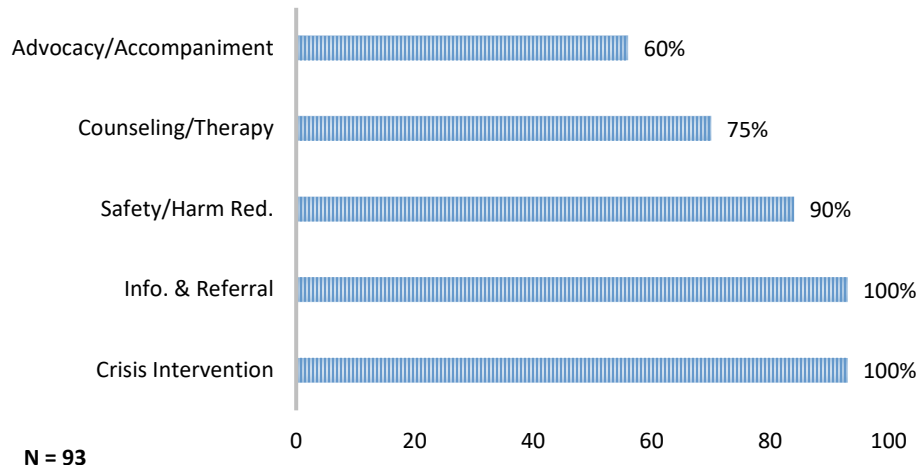
DA & Law Enforcement Partners

HT Identifications, Investigations & Prosecutions (CY2024)



Community Violence Solutions

Services Provided to HT Survivors (CY2024)





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Member Data

Calendar Year 2024	Partner Agency	Total # Served	Sex Trafficking	Labor Trafficking	Sex & Labor Trafficking
	Community Violence Solutions	93	70	15	<10
	DA - Victim Witness Assistance	40	30	10	0
	Church World Services	5	0	5	0
	Justice At Last	57	16	21	11
	Love Never Fails Us	32	18	4	10
	STAND! for Families Free of Violence	17	16	<10	0
		Total # Service Contacts	Sex Trafficking	Labor Trafficking	Sex & Labor Trafficking
	Arm of Care	150	150	0	0
		Total # Identified	Sexual Exploitation	Labor Exploitation	Sex & Labor Exploitation
	Contra Costa H3 - HMIS Data	958	231	263	464



Response to Need

- Victim-Centered Service Roadmap
- CFS Service Enhancements
- CSEC/Y Interagency Steering Committee Update
- CCHTTF Subcommittee & Working Group Initiatives
- Alliance to End Abuse's Partnerships





CFS Service Enhancements

- Panel participation at Preventing and Addressing Child Trafficking (PACT) statewide convening in Sacramento
- Highlighted innovative services to prevent and address CSEC/Y in Contra Costa County





CFS Service Enhancements



- Enhanced emergency backpacks with harm reduction-focused, culturally responsive and SOGIE-affirming items



CSEC/Y Interagency Steering Committee Update

- Highlighting enhanced collaborations with:
 - **Contra Costa County Office of Education (CCCOE)**
 - Structured training outreach with diverse school districts
 - Strategic engagement with Office of the Superintendent
 - 385% increase in CCCOE training participation
 - **Mental Health and Probation Program (MHAPS)**
 - Facilitated CSEC 101 educational module
 - Conducted CSEC/Y case consultations
 - Creating systematic case review methodology for clinical practitioners.





Subcommittee Initiatives



Service Delivery

- Standards of Care
- Referral Protocols
- Training
- Mapping & Gap Analysis



Labor Trafficking

- Targeted Outreach
- Training & Technical Assistance
- Referral Network
- Proactive Investigations



Law Enforcement

- Technical Assistance
- Case Collaboration
- Case Handling Protocol
- Proactive Investigations



Training & Outreach

- Collaborative Trainings
- Outreach Campaign
- External Training Priorities
- Common Training Bank



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Working Group Initiatives

Interpreters Bureau

Goal: To identify and equip a small cadre of interpreters with specialized training in interpretation for human trafficking.

Vacatur of Criminal Records

Goal: To develop a protocol and conduct training with key stakeholders to enhance qualifying HT survivors' ability to clear their criminal records.

Survivor Leadership

Goal: To implement a structure and process for HT survivors to provide their expertise to the Task Force on its policies, procedures, and operations.

23rd St. Corridor

Goal: To bring stakeholders together to better understand and develop approaches to HT, safety, wellbeing and livability issues affecting the area.

Data

Goal: To develop a county-wide plan for data collection, sharing, analysis and use with stakeholders; to expand data collection to include new sources and methodologies; and to create a repository of reliable HT data.

Pro Bono Legal Services

Goal: To increase the number of timely referrals for these services, to identify gaps in types of services available, and to develop a plan to address these gaps.



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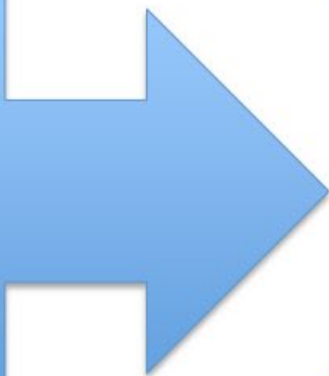
23rd Street Corridor WG

Community Concerns:

- CSW & Human Trafficking
- Related violence & crime
- Safety of children & residents
- Poor lighting, vacant lots, dumping
- Lack of response from city, law enforcement, civil society

Prioritized Approaches:

- Enhanced Lighting
- Traffic Calming
- Enforcement
- Survivor Outreach
- Community-building



Coordination: Meetings & Stakeholder Engagement

Community Surveys, CPTED & Education

Lighting Initiative (CSCLI)

Advocacy with City Government

Neighborhood Clean-up

Block Parties

Collaboration: Peace Walks



Alliance to End Abuse's Partnerships

Learning & Sharing

Contra Costa Human Trafficking Coalition

Led by:  **ALLIANCE**
to End Abuse

An informal body overseen by the BOS since 2009 which shares information, best practices, training, and networking around human trafficking issues.

Coordination for Victims' Safety & Well-Being

HT Multi-Disciplinary Team

Co-led by:



A collective of 30+ agencies that plans for and meets survivor goals for complex or high-risk human trafficking cases.

Centering Community & Raising Awareness



Together We Rise:
Richmond GBV Coalition

Expanding the Infrastructure



South County
Family Justice Center

Coming soon:
The SAFE Center

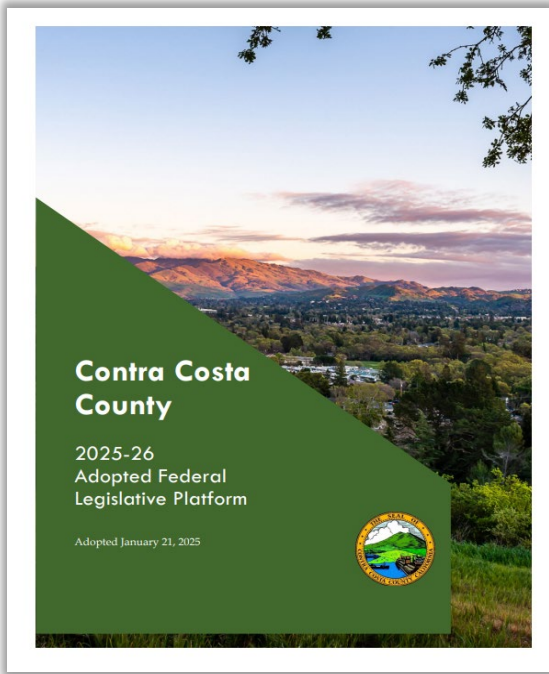


Funding Challenges

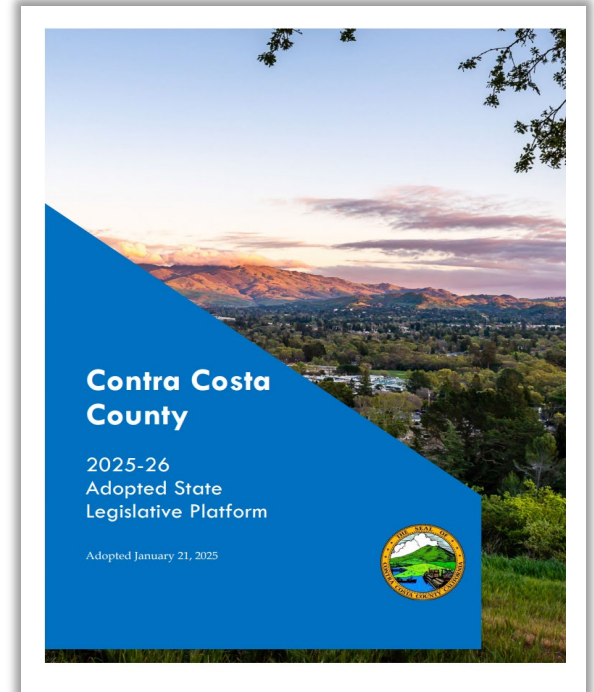
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- VOCA Funding Uncertainty
- Other Potential Financial Impacts



Contra Costa County 2025-26 Legislative Platforms

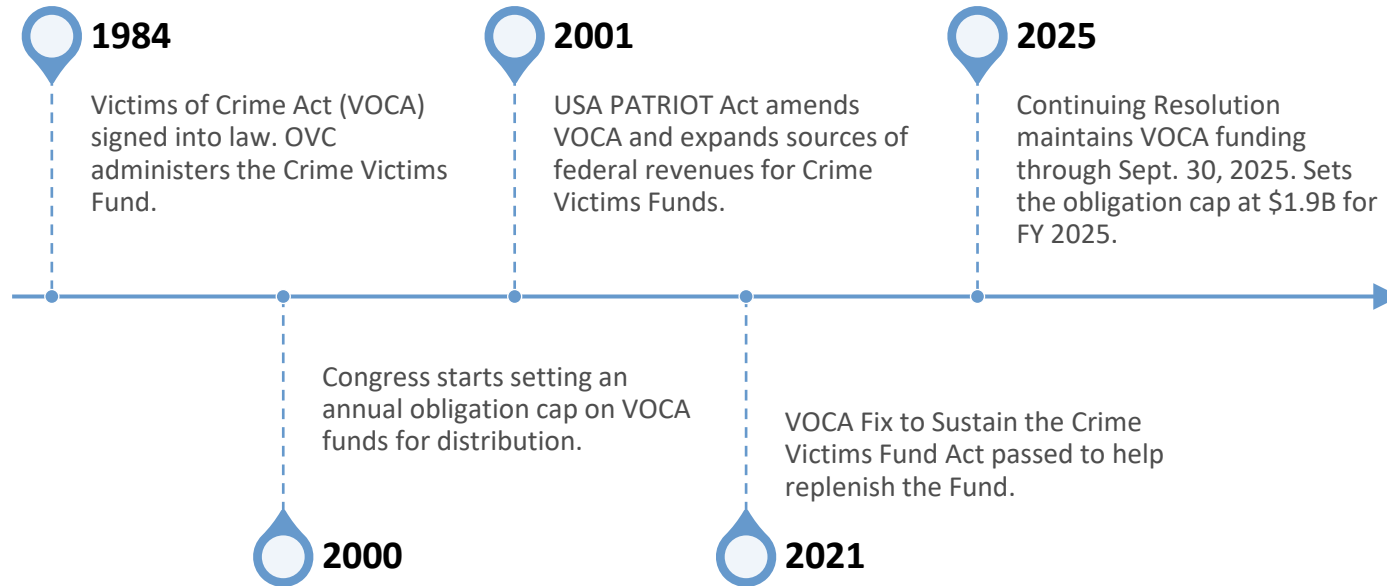


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VOCA Funding Uncertainty

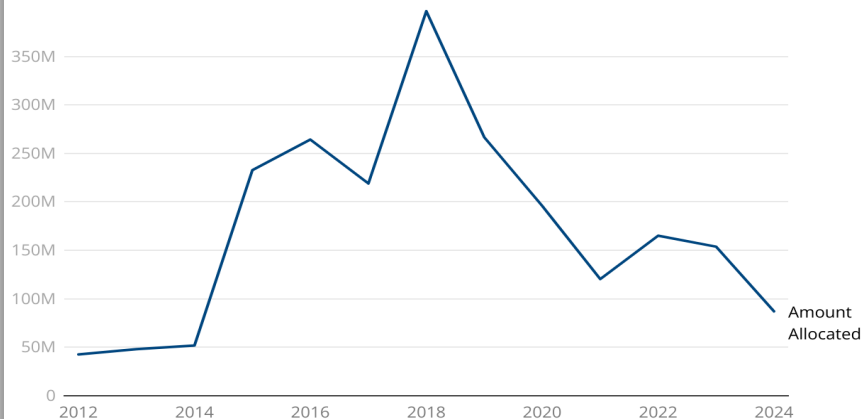




VOCA Funding Uncertainty in CA: Implications for Crime Victim Services

VOCA Funding to California Has Decreased 78% Since 2018

Amount Allocated to California Through Crime Victim Assistance Formula Grants, 2012-2024



Source: Budget Center analysis of Office for Victims of Crime data



California Budget
& Policy Center

FY 24-25

- CA experienced a 43% decrease in federal VOCA funding b/w 2023 and 2024.
- Gov. Newsom approved one-time state funding of \$103 M.

Sept. 2024

- AB 2432 is signed into law to create the California Crime Victims Fund.

Prop.
Budget

- No backfill state funding for crime victim services.
- Reverts \$49.7M for the Flexible Assistance for Survivors of Crime program.

Funding
Advocacy

- Contra Costa BOS co-signs letter requesting \$260M in one-time state funding for crime victim services.
- Pending budget request to reauthorize \$30M in state funding for Human Trafficking Victims Assistance Program.



Other Potential Financial Impacts



FEDERAL EXECUTIVE ACTIONS

- Funding freezes and cuts.
- Heightened scrutiny of grantees.
- Less Notices of Funding Opportunities.
- Increase in conditions.



INFLATION

- Impacts the purchasing power of the Alliance to End Abuse for services.
- \$1,678,247 in 2016 = \$2,236,191.91 in 2025.*



SHIFTING PHILANTHROPIC PRIORITIES

- Reduced focus on women's health issues, prevention services, and housing for survivors.



TARIFFS

- Increases costs of goods.
- Impacts lower-income individuals disproportionately.



Awareness and Resources

- “Click with Caution” Campaign
- Additional Online Resources
- Contra Costa HT Response Agencies & Tip Line



“Click with Caution” Campaign

- New awareness campaign launched January 2025
- Focus:
 - Online grooming tactics used by exploiters to target children and youth
 - Provides practical strategies for digital safety
- Impact:
 - Equipped over 100 professionals with knowledge to identify and respond to online vulnerabilities





Additional Online Resources



1. [Vigilant Parent Initiative](#)

2. [Common Sense Media](#)

3. [KidSmartz](#)

4. [NetzSmartz](#)

5. [ICAC Task Force](#)

6. [Ruth, Your Digital Guardian](#)

7. [FBI Kids Cyber Safety for Youth Grades 3 - 8](#)



Contra Costa HT Response Agencies & Tip Line



Community Violence Solutions

24/7 Crisis Line: 1 (800) 670-7273



Children & Family Services

Child Abuse Hotline: 1 (877) 881-1116

CSEC Email: CFSCEC@ehsd.cccounty.us



Contra Costa Human Trafficking Tip Line

Non-Emergency Voicemail: (925) 957-8658



Contra Costa County Family Justice Alliance

West County (Richmond): (510) 974-7200

Central County (Concord): (925) 521-6366

East County (Antioch): (925) 281-0970

South County (Danville): (925) 486-0100



Recommendation



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ACCEPT and FORWARD the Anti-Human Trafficking Update Report presentation to the Board of Supervisors.



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