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Restorative Justice and Human Trafficking— from Wisconsin to the World

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#RestorativeJusticeFacesofTrafficking

8:00 a.m. — Registration and coffee

8:30 a.m. — Welcome

Joseph D. Kearney, Dean and Professor, Marquette Law School
Honorable Janine Geske (ret), Marquette Law School

8:45 to 10:00 a.m. — Survivor Panel

Moderator: Mike Gousha, Distinguished Fellow in Law and Public Policy, Marquette Law School

- Shamere McKenzie, CEO of Sun Gate Foundation. She was a college track star who was a little down on her luck when she was approached by a trafficker and lured into the trap of sex slavery.
- Rachel Thomas, Co-Director, Sowers Education Group. Raised in an ideal upper-middle-class home, she had no idea that the “modeling agent” who gave her a business card was actually a trafficker.
- Lisa Williams, Founder and CEO, Circle of Friends, Living Water for Girls. She understands what it's like to be held at gunpoint, to be demeaned and called unprintable names, to be afraid in her own skin, to be repeatedly violated and tortured, and then to be blamed for it all.

10:00 to 10:10 a.m. — Break

10:10 to 10:30 a.m. — *What Are the Wisconsin Laws on Human Trafficking?*

Sara Beth Lewis, Assistant District Attorney, Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office

10:30 to 11:30 a.m. — *You Are Here: The Landscape of Wisconsin and Federal Trafficking Law, and Where We Could Go*

Moderator: Rachel Monaco-Wilcox, Chair and Assistant Professor, Justice Department and Coordinator, LOTUS Legal Clinic at Mount Mary University

- LaTonya Johnson, Representative, Assembly District 17
- Sara Beth Lewis, Milwaukee County Assistant District Attorney
- Sheila Sullivan, Managing Attorney, Road to Opportunity Project, Legal Action of Wisconsin
- Joseph Wall, Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of Wisconsin

11:30 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. — Complimentary boxed lunch

12:10 to 1:10 p.m. — *Restorative Justice and the International Context of Human Trafficking*

Moderator: H. Richard Friman, Eliot Fitch Professor for International Studies and Professor of Political Science, Marquette University

- Martina Vandenberg, President, The Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center
- Todd D. Whitmore, Associate Professor and Co-Director, Interdisciplinary Minor in Catholic Social Tradition; Faculty Fellow, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame

1:10 to 1:20 p.m. — Break

1:20 to 2:20 p.m. — *What Is the Ripple Effect of Sex and Labor Trafficking on the Wisconsin Community?*

The community is affected in surprising ways. Trafficking is more than just a criminal justice problem.

Moderator: Claudine O'Leary, Youth Advocate, Rethink Resources

- Bevan K. Baker, Commissioner of Health, City of Milwaukee
- Jeanne Geraci, Executive Director, Benedict Center
- Dan Magnuson, Chief Executive Officer, Lad Lake, Inc.
- Tia C. Medley, Family Nurse Practitioner, Milwaukee Adolescent Health Program, Juvenile Detention Center and Downtown Health Center

2:20 to 2:30 p.m. — Break

2:30 to 3:10 p.m. — *What It Takes to Help a Survivor Develop a Legal Case and Deal with Life Beyond*

Katherine Kaufka Walts, Director of the Center for the Human Rights of Children, Loyola University Chicago

3:10 to 3:35 p.m. — *Trafficking Milwaukee: How Do We Help?*

Trafficking is a serious issue facing vulnerable youth and adults right here in the Milwaukee area. Find out what makes Milwaukee a trafficking hub and learn what help is available for survivors.

Moderator: Janine Geske

- Cathy Arney, Vice President of Community Services, Pathfinders
- Debbie Lassiter, Executive Director, CEO, and Co-Founder, Convergence Resource Center
- Deacon Steve Przedpelski, Director, Franciscan Peacemakers Street Ministry
- Mariana Rodriguez, Program Manager, UMOS, Inc., Latina Resource Center

3:35 to 4:15 p.m. — *What Was Learned Today?*

Moderator: Janine Geske

- Carmen Pitre, Executive Director, Sojourner Family Peace Center
- James L. Santelle, United States Attorney, Eastern District of Wisconsin
- Rachel Thomas, Survivor, Co-Director, Sowers Education Group
- Martina Vandenberg, President, The Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center

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THANK YOU

This year's Restorative Justice Conference is designed to bring together survivors, community members, lawyers, teachers, social workers, and others to learn about human trafficking and the deep impact it has on both victims and communities, locally as well as internationally. Pope Francis has called for a global mobilization to combat human trafficking and slavery. By looking at this issue through a restorative justice lens, this conference is designed to raise awareness of the magnitude of trafficking in our own community and to generate ideas on how each of us can engage in helping to repair the harm and to address the social, cultural, and economic causes of the problem.

Thank you to the following committee members who helped make this event possible:

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Janine Geske (Chair)	Rachel Monaco-Wilcox	Jen Vettrus	
Patricia Gorence	Michael O'Hear		
Barbara Graham	Claudine O'Leary		

RESOURCE TABLES AT HUMAN TRAFFICKING CONFERENCE

Benedict Center

www.benedictcenter.org

Convergence Resource Center

www.convergenceresource.org

Exploit No More

www.exploitnomore.org

Franciscan Peacemakers

www.franciscanpeacemakers.com

Inner Beauty Center

www.innerbeautycenter.org

Legal Options for Trafficked and Underserved Survivors (LOTUS)

www.facebook.com/LOTUSMountMaryUniversity

Milwaukee Health Department – Commission on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault

www.city.milwaukee.gov/staysafe

Pathfinders

www.pathfindersmke.org

Proactive Outreach for the Health of Sexually Exploited Youth (POHSEY)

www.pohsey.org

Sojourner Family Peace Center

www.familypeacecenter.org

UMOS – Latina Resource Center

www.umos.org/social_services/latina_resource_center.html

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)

www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign

Walkers Point Youth & Family Center

www.walkerspoint.org

The following page includes links to additional state, national, and international resources regarding human trafficking. Also listed are links to the organizations represented by the presenters and panelists at today's Restorative Justice Conference.

RESOURCE LINKS

Wisconsin

Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault
www.wcasa.org/pages/Intervention_Human-Trafficking.php

Wisconsin Department of Justice, Office of Crime Victim Services
www.doj.state.wi.us/ocvs/human-trafficking

National

American Bar Association Task Force on Human Trafficking
www.americanbar.org/groups/human_rights/projects/task_force_human_trafficking.html

Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence
www.americanbar.org/groups/domestic_violence/policyandlegislation.html

Commission on Youth at Risk
www.americanbar.org/groups/youth_at_risk.html

Department of Justice Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit
www.justice.gov/crt/about/crm/htpu.php

Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign
www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign/resources-available-victims

Department of Labor
www.dol.gov/ilab/issues/trafficking/

National Human Trafficking Resource Center
www.traffickingresourcecenter.org

National Juvenile Defender Center
www.njdc.info/our-work/publications/njdc-factsheets/
Click on "Ten Guidelines for Representing Children Involved in Human Trafficking"

Office of Refugee Resettlement Anti Trafficking in Persons Program
www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/orr/programs/anti-trafficking

Polaris Project
www.polarisproject.org

International

Childtrafficking.com-Digital Library
www.childtrafficking.com

Coalition Against Trafficking in Women
www.catwinternational.org/

Humantrafficking.org- A Web Resource for Combatting Human Trafficking
www.humantrafficking.org

Global Alliance Against Traffic in Women
www.gaatw.org

US Department of State's Annual Trafficking in Persons Report
www.state.gov/j/tip/rls/tiprpt/

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
www.unodc.org/unodc/human-trafficking/

Panelists/Presenters

Benedict Center
www.benedictcenter.charityfinders.org/Home%20Page

Center for the Human Rights of Children, Loyola University Chicago
www.luc.edu/chrc/#

Circle of Friends
www.cofcl.org

City of Milwaukee Health Department
www.city.milwaukee.gov/health

Convergence Resource Center
www.convergenceresource.org

Franciscan Peacemakers Street Ministry
www.franciscanpeacemakers.com/street-ministry.html

The Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center
www.htprobono.org

Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, Notre Dame
www.kroc.nd.edu

Lad Lake
www.ladlake.org

Legal Action of Wisconsin Road to Opportunity Program
www.legalaction.org/content/?cm_id=17

Lotus Legal Clinic
www.mtmary.edu/lotus

Milwaukee Adolescent Health Program
www1.mcw.edu/mahp.htm

Pathfinders
www.pathfindersmke.org

Rethink Resources
www.rethinkresources.net

Sojourner Family Peace Center
www.familypeacecenter.org

Sowers Education Group
www.sowerseducationgroup.com

Sun Gate Foundation
www.sun-gate.org

UMOS, Inc. Latina Resource Center
www.umos.org/social_services/latina_resource_center.html