

Staff Report:

Training Conducted

Trainings Conducted since April 24, 2025:

- NCVAN Spring 2025 Victim Service Practitioner Certification Academy, May 21, 2025
- Safe Space Webinar, May 21, 2025
- Court Reporters Conference, June 16, 2025
- District Court Judges Conference, June 18, 2025
- Interdiction for the Protection of Children, June 24-25, 2025
- Rutherford County Electric Human Trafficking Training, July 15, 2025
- 2025 NC Cooperative Safety Summit Human Trafficking Training, July 17, 2025
- Montgomery County CIT Human Trafficking Training, July 25, 2025
- NC Association of Free and Charitable Clinics HT Training, July 29, 2025
- Conference of the Carolinas, July 30-31, 2025
- Interdiction for the Protection of Children August 12-13, 2025

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Upcoming Trainings and Events:

- Onslow Victims Center, September 17, 2025
- 2025 NC Affordable Housing Conference, September 30 – October 1, 2025
- Interdiction for the Protection of Children, October 21-22, 2025
- Interdiction for the Protection of Children, October 28-29, 2025
- USAA AML Compliance Department, November 2025
- 40th Annual School Nurse Conference, December 11, 2025

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Training HTC Staff attended:

2025 Conference of the Carolinas (hosted by South Carolina)

- July 30th and a half day on the 31st
- Columbia, South Carolina
- Four tracks – law enforcement/legal; healthcare; community outreach; and victim services

2026 Conference of the Carolinas (hosted by North Carolina)?

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Governor's Crime Commission Grant

- Law enforcement expert trainer available until 9/30.
- Resource Directory update didn't work out with this grant this year.
- Match requirement has been met.
- Contract with the Human Trafficking Institute

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Governor's Crime Commission Grant through 9/30/25

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TRAFFICKING
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Human Trafficking Institute +
North Carolina

*Human Trafficking Intervention
Through Collaboration*

APPROACH

HTI's unique approach strengthens enforcement efforts at the local level:

EXPERTISE

Build specialized skills and knowledge through connection with subject-matter experts.

TRAINING

Conduct targeted trainings to fill gaps and build capacity.

RESOURCES

Provide resources and tools to improve investigations and prosecutions.

EVALUATION

Conduct data collection and evaluation to create sustainable impact.

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ASSESSMENTS AND DATA-DRIVEN STRATEGY

- Conduct **county-specific assessments** to identify strengths, gaps, and needs in human trafficking enforcement and create a baseline for measurement.
- **Track and analyze arrest, investigation, and prosecution data over time** to monitor enforcement trends, measure improvements, and tailor ongoing training and support accordingly.
- Utilize pre- and post-training **surveys** and **data collection** to measure improvements in practitioner knowledge, confidence, and skills.

*Includes a Practitioner Portal for NC!

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Governor's Crime Commission Grant

- Working on modifications to new award for October 1st.
- Required to attend GCC orientation in September.
- This grant directs more attention to child welfare partnership and change.

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MISSION

to empower survivors of human trafficking as they reclaim their lives and realize their fullest potential. Through a holistic approach that includes peer mentoring and coaching, professional development, mental health support, career-focused case management, and a thriving survivor community, we are dedicated to fostering hope, resilience, and self-sufficiency. We serve survivors who are ready to move beyond the trauma of exploitation and embark on the next phase of recovery—a journey we call 'real life.'

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Other Updates

NC Housing Finance Agency

WORTH Court and Cumberland County

Welcome to Gabriela Urquiola from NCSU for fall semester!

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RECURRING \$500,000 in Direct Service Grants (state funds)

Nine awards made for FY 2024-2025. All in close out or closed.

Committee voted on awards for 2025-2027 but those are holding until we confirm the state budget allows us to use the funds.

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Grant Program Updates:

Of the roughly \$22.9 million kept with us from the federal appropriation:

- There were roughly 110 agencies and over 180 grantee contracts.
- To date, we have spent / issued out a total of just under 90% of the funds.
- Many grantees are still incurring expenses and have revisions to expenditure reports due.
- The funds must be expended by the end of December 31, 2026. We are on track for all agencies to be spent out by June 30, 2026.

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Grant Program Updates

Roughly 40 contracts are closed out with an estimated 20 more in closing status.

Still holding 8 positions for the management of these funds.

We are being refunded years 2 and 3 of the contract from the grants management system we initially began working with. All grantees are currently using the SmartSheet system.

General Assembly Reports on 16.20 and 16.21 to be turned in tomorrow.