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### **General Updates:**

SBI Assistant Special Agent in Charge

HTC Digest coming soon....

Woolf Group – potential steps for statewide strategic plan

Shared Hope International's Report – Nov. 1st

**ARPA Position Hiring** 

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### National Human Trafficking Hotline

- Calls that need routed to providers
- Tips that need routed to law enforcement

### Solutions:

- 1. Hired and starting 22 new hotline responders this month
- 2. Case Assistance to Law Enforcement
- 3. Case Response for transportation and hotel assistance
- 4. Communications plan on appropriate calls / reporting

## Staff Report Continued:

### 2022 Annual Conference:

September 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Hilton North Raleigh

356 participants!!

Breakfast and snacks were provided this year.



NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMMISSION ANNUAL CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 7-8, 2022 HILTON NORTH RALEIGH



#### FEATURED SPEAKERS







Bill Woolf, Former Director of Human Trafficking Programs,



Lindsey Lane, Senior Legal Counsel, Human Trafficking Institute



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## Staff Report Continued:

### Other Training Conducted:

- Farmworkers and Growers in Wilson NC
- Montgomery County CIT
- NC Juvenile Defender Conference
- County Child Fatality Team Members
- DPI Title V Team Members
- Wayne Community College
- South Carolina VSP Certification



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### January Awareness Month:

- Judicial Proclamation
- Governor's Proclamation
- Press Conference on 1/11/2023
- Blue Lights with NCCWYI
- Podcast with NCJA
- 2023 Fact Sheet
- Events



#### HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH

HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS REFERRED TO AS A PUBLIC HEALTH, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE. IN RECOGNITION OF THAT IMPORT THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022 IS HEREBY DECLARED "HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH" FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA ILIDICIAL BRANCH.

WHEREAS, HUMAN TRAFFICKING OCCURS WHEN A PERSON IS RECRUITED, HARBORED, OBTAINED, OR TRANSPORTED THROUGH FORCE, FRAUD, OR COERCION FOR THE PURPOSE OF SEXUAL OR LABOR EXPLOITATION, INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE, DEBT BONDAGE, OR WHEN ANY COMMERCIAL SEX ACT IS COMMITTED UPON A MINOR; AND

WHEREAS, OUR STATE CONTINUES TO SEE CASES OF BOTH SEX AND LABOR TRAFFICKING CROSSING ALL DEMOGRAPHIC LINES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT WILL TAKE EVERYONE WORKING TOGETHER TO END THIS VICTIMIZATION; AND

WHEREAS, THE IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ARE WIDESPREAD AND ONGOING, AND INCREASE THE VULNERABILITIES OF NORTH CAROLINIANS TO EXPLOITATION THROUGH HUMAN TRAFFICKING: AND

WHEREAS, INCREASED COMMUNITY EDUCATION ON HOW TO IDENTIFY VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALONG WITH STRENGTHENED CAPACITY TO RESPOND TO VICTIMS WITH APPROPRIATE SERVICES CAN HELP RESTORE FREEDOM AND DIGNITY TO IDENTIFIED SURVIVIORS: AND

WHEREAS, THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMMISSION WORKS DILIGENTLY TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS ACROSS OUR STATE TO INCREASE AWARENESS AND END THESE HORRIFIC CRIMES; AND

WHEREAS, THE NORTH CAROLINA JUDICIAL BRANCH IS A VITAL PARTNER IN THOSE EFFORTS TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC AND INCREASE AWARENESS WITH THE GOAL OF ROOTING OUT AND ENDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN NORTH CAROLINA.

NOW, THEREFORE, I DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THAT THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022 BE DECLARED "HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH" FOR THE JUDICIAL BRANCH OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

THIS THE 6TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2022.

PAUL NEWBY, CHIEF JUSTICE SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA

# Staff Report:

### **Governor's Crime Commission Training Grants:**

- 2021-2022 Training and Technical Assistance Grant
  - \$100,000
  - Started 10/1/2021 and Ends 12/31/2022
- Tara Minter's Grant for Training within Court Communities
  - \$102,000
  - Started 10/1/2022 and Ends 9/30/2023
- Public Awareness Grant
  - \$600,000
  - Started 10/1/2022 and Ends 6/30/2023