



Human Trafficking in Washington State

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An international expert on Human Trafficking, Sylvia will relate information on human trafficking across the state today:

- ~ **How to recognize the signs of trafficking – red flags you can identify**
- ~ **Common places/methods in which traffickers approach potential victims**
- ~ **What to do when you identify someone you feel has been trafficked**
- ~ **Challenges for law enforcement, prosecutors, and advocates**
- ~ **How you can help fight trafficking in your community**

Sylvia's career began as a member of the Honolulu Police Department Domestic Abuse Response Team. She was a member of the Washington State Governor's Anti-Trafficking Taskforce and the Washington Anti-Trafficking Resource Network in 2008 and has a long history of involvement in anti-trafficking efforts in Washington State, the US, and internationally.

From 2000 to 2010 Sylvia served as a Violence Against Women and Human Rights Specialist on Trafficking at the United Nations. Sylvia has conducted human trafficking investigations for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; conducted human trafficking training in South America; led trafficking response teams in collaboration with the FBI; participated in high level human trafficking briefings at the White House; and provided human trafficking training for visiting delegations from Croatia, Tanzania, Senegal, Russia, Japan, Korea, Iraq, Philippines, and Albania.