

National Colloquium 2013: Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare Process and Placement for Juvenile Sex Trafficking Survivors

On November 7, 2013, Shared Hope International, Casey Family Programs and the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges will convene experts from across the nation to assess current judicial and child welfare system responses to domestic minor sex trafficking and opportunities to bring victim-centered services to identified juvenile survivors of sex trafficking in the U.S.

As laws and systems change to identify and recognize sex trafficking as child abuse and victimization, agency processes to adequately respond to the specialized and complex needs of this population are critical. A panel of **judges, service providers, survivors and child welfare leaders** will build upon findings in the *2012 National Colloquium Report: An Inventory and Evaluation of the Current Shelter and Services Response Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking* to review and evaluate agency service and placement responses for trafficked youth through the child welfare and the juvenile justice systems.

Goal of Colloquium:

Improve protective responses to identified victims of domestic minor sex trafficking by exploring promising policies and practices within the child welfare and juvenile justice systems that:

- understand and overcome existing policy barriers and gaps to allow an expansion of access to an array of services
- reduce trauma
- promote collaboration and development of promising practices
- provide safe alternatives to detainment in juvenile detention

This event will be open to the public and streamed live at www.sharedhope.org.

Details:

When: Thursday, November 7, 2013, 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Where: Hamilton Crowne Plaza Hotel

1001 14th Street, NW

Washington, DC 20005

***The discussion will continue alongside a range of specialized topics related to juvenile sex trafficking at the JuST Conference on November 8-9. Register at www.sharedhope.org/sharingthehope.

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