

Orange County Government

Human Trafficking Residential Program

October 22, 2019



Presentation Outline

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Background on the Human Trafficking Pilot Program

- An ordinance was passed by the Board of County Commissioners on December 1, 2015
- February 2016 letters were sent to various businesses
- Posters were placed in establishments with contact information listed
- Missing from the process was a residential location for the victims to receive services



Background on Human Trafficking Pilot Program

- An RFP was issued and two agencies responded to it
- Aspire was awarded the contract in October 2017
- January 2018 the first victim was served in the program
- This program is the only program in Florida that provides these services



Human Trafficking in Orange County

- 11-13 years old is the average age entering into Human Trafficking
- Average life expectancy involved in trafficking is 7 years
- This year so far MBI recovered 16 adult victims
- 43 youth in Orange County have been rescued from trafficking in 2018
- Harbor House, Victim Service Center, United Abolitionist are several agencies that provide services





Program Structure

- The program serves female adult human trafficking victims
- Capacity is 10 beds
- Program focus is on Trauma Informed Care
- The duration of the services average 42 days
- Since January 2018, 81 adult unduplicated victims have been served



Service Components

- **Strong partnership with other service providers**
- **Involvement with AA and NA programs**
- **On going case management, mental health and substance abuse counseling**
- **Life skills, individual and group counseling, and off site activities**
- **Transition to long term safe housing**



Program Effectiveness

- T was 2 years old when she first experienced abuse
- Her father quickly began sharing her with others
- Years of substance use and alcohol dependence helped T with the trauma
- Her last attempted was the one that saved her





Summary

- Human Trafficking continues to be prevalent in our community
- The program is currently funded as a pilot program for this FY 19/20
- Aspire has served 81 unduplicated survivors as of September 25, 2019
- 86% of the victims served were transitioned into safe housing





Next Steps

- Continue to work closely with Aspire Health Partners to ensure services are provided as designed per the RFP
- Collaborate with other agencies
- Explore additional services that could be needed for victims
- Request for the BCC to fund this program permanently and not as a pilot program

Human Trafficking Pilot

**Human Trafficking
Residential Adult Female
Program**

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