



**New York Asian Women's Center**

# Human Trafficking



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# Agenda

- Intersection with Court System
- Identifying Potential Victims
- Potential Relief & Resources
- NYAWC

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# Intersection with Court System

- **Criminal Court**
  - Prostitution
  - Drugs
  - Potential Trafficker
- **Family Court**
  - Orders of Protection
  - Custody
  - Abuse and Neglect
- **Immigration Court**
  - Asylum / Withholding / CAT

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# Identifying Potential Victims

## ■ Disclosure Difficulties

- Fear - Trafficker, Court System, Law Enforcement, Immigration
- Shame, Self-Blame

## ■ Safe Environment

- Attitude - Non-Judgment, Patience, Compassion
- Give Time to Talk (esp. about power & control)
- Use Social Services & Other Resources
- Be Open-Minded (may not be Law & Order story)
- Note: Talking about trafficking can be re-triggering

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# Potential Relief & Resources

## ■ Potential Relief

- T Nonimmigrant Status (T Visa)
- Continued Presence
- Vacating Convictions
- HTIC - Diversionary Programs

## ■ Resources

- Polaris - National Hotline, Referrals to Local Agencies
- Northern Tier Anti-Trafficking Consortium
- Shelters / Safe Houses - DV / Safety Factors
- Service Providers - NYAWC (Project Free)
- Law Enforcement - DOJ / HSI / FBI / Local

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# NYAWC (Project Free)

## ■ Services

- Counseling
- Case Management
- Shelter
- Legal Services
- HTIC Referrals - AWE Program

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