



# International Rescue Committee in Silver Spring Anti-Trafficking Program

The Anti-Trafficking program at the IRC Silver Spring provides trauma-informed, client-centered services to **foreign-born survivors of human trafficking**. The focus is to ensure that survivors have access to protection and the resources needed to achieve self-sufficiency through comprehensive case management, advocacy, education, collaboration, and capacity building opportunities.

## Who We Serve

Victims of a “Severe Form of Trafficking in Persons” as defined by the Trafficking Victim Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA):

- **Sex trafficking:** the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for the purpose of a commercial sex act, in which the commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such act has not attained 18 years of age.
- **Labor Trafficking:** the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.
- **Derivatives of Survivors of Trafficking:** Qualifying family members of the victims are eligible for certain services.

## What We Do

**Legal Services:** We partner with local attorneys and legal organizations to provide legal advice to clients as they deal with the process of certification and other immigration adjustments as needed.

**Mental Health:** We cultivate relationships with various mental health professionals to whom we refer clients for evaluation and treatment as needed.

**Economic Empowerment:** Our clients have access to various employment and education services provided by the IRC Economic Empowerment Program that help them set goals and work towards achieving economic self-sufficiency.

**Advocacy and Guidance:** We work as liaison between survivors of trafficking and the greater community. We help connect our clients to various resources (housing, food, healthcare, safety, mentorship, etc.) offered by federal and local government as well as other institutions.

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