



Frequently Asked Questions

Who is Voices for Florida?

Since 1976, Voices for Florida has been Florida's nonprofit leader in engaging with thought leaders to drive social and economic innovation — both at community and state levels. We specialize in bringing people together to apply innovation and out-of-the-box thinking to solve complex social problems through innovation, translational research and cross-sector collaboration. Together with our sister organization, The Children's Campaign, we envision a future for all Florida children that is as limitless as their dreams.

What Complex Social Problem is Voices for Florida Currently Addressing?

Florida is ranked 3rd in the nation for the prevalence of trafficking, and the numbers only seem to be getting worse. According to the Office of Public Policy and Government Accountability, in 2018 there were 400 verified cases of sexual exploitation of children in the state, and reports have more than doubled between 2015 and 2018. To better serve commercially sexually exploited (CSE) and sex trafficked children and young adults, Voices for Florida has piloted the Open Doors Outreach Network, a 24/7/365 coordinated network of care and treatment in 32 Florida counties.

How does Voices for Florida Improve Service Delivery and Coordination for Victims of Sex Trafficking?

As the backbone organization for the Open Doors Outreach Network, Voices for Florida partners with Network Providers throughout Florida to deliver immediate and ongoing health-centered and trauma competent services through our innovative Open Doors Outreach Network model. Central to our model, which utilizes the nation's leading promising best practices for care and treatment of sex trafficked victims, is our Open Doors Outreach Teams, consisting of Survivor-Mentors, Regional Advocates and Clinicians, who are on call 24/7/365 and provide individualized services to survivors that address their many aspects of victimization and well-being.

What is Voices for Florida's Role as the Backbone Organization for Open Doors?

- Coordinates and monitors implementation of services
- Promotes uniform care and treatment protocols based on best practices and translational science research
- Conducts training and education for Outreach Team members and other key stakeholders
- Mobilizes and leverages resources
- Measures and evaluates key program outcomes
- Provides program and policy guidelines
- Promotes public awareness of the signs and warnings of sex trafficking
- Monitors all required fiscal and program compliance

How can I Help?

Anyone can fall victim to sex trafficking, and everyone has a role to play in prevention. To stay up to date on the latest news surrounding sex trafficking, follow us at [Facebook.com/VoicesforFL](https://www.facebook.com/VoicesforFL). Subscribe to our latest mailings by texting "OPENDOORS" 42828.