

National Human Trafficking and Disabilities Working Group(NHTDWG) General Member Meeting Notes (11/14/22)

Attendees: Jody Haskin, Sari Latomaa, Amanda Somdal, Dean Duncan, Angela Kaufman, Cristobal Perez, Frederika Theus, Mandy Bowden, Paula Tobler, Rebecca Bundy, Sandra Harrell, Susan Kahan, Joseph Brodsky, Ali Chiu, Clarisa Sanchez.

ASL Interpreters: Evan & Allie, Note taker: Alyssa Orona

I. Introduction

- A. Welcome to our new members: Cristobal Perez, Rebecca Bundy and Amanda Somdal
- B. Name/pronouns/physical description
- C. Icebreaker: Favorite drink in the morning

II. Updates

- A. [Member portal](https://opossum-gopher-lexk.squarespace.com/) is now launched. Link to member portal:
<https://opossum-gopher-lexk.squarespace.com/>
- B. Notes, calendars, trainings, and opportunities for members to share resources will be included on the portal.
 1. Can email resources you would like to be shared on the portal to the NHTDWGwg email: nhtdwg@iofa.org
- C. Thoughts on strategic planning please email to nhtdwg: nhtdwg@iofa.org
- D. Giving Tuesday
 1. Anyone who is able to donate themselves, please consider donating in lieu of membership fee. If you have the capacity to give something that may be super helpful or if you know of someone who would be willing to be supportive of our work that would be super helpful. Please consider donating and sharing social media or other information with people who also may be willing to donate.
- E. Coming up in January: Racial Equity Group
 1. Centering racial equity in our group. This is part of our vision and we hope to be as inclusive as possible.
 2. Resources to do individual work prior to the racial equity group. Will keep posted throughout the coming months.
- F. Grant
 1. Activating Change and IOFA are developing an online training for law enforcement
 2. Found that trainings do exist but they are very basic
 3. Scan of all 50 states, found that 1 state has a law in regards to benefit trafficking and 8 states have legislation in the works, but there is a lot more work to do.
 4. Law enforcement officers, survivors of trafficking with disabilities, and key stakeholders. If you would like to be interviewed or participation in a listening session or know someone who you think should be involved you can email: sharrell@activatingchange.org
 5. Findings report will help develop training curriculum. If you are interested or have an interest in developing a training curriculum please contact Sandra Harrell.

6. Social media: twitter.com/activatingchnge

[instagram.com/activatingchange/](https://www.instagram.com/activatingchange/)

[linkedin.com/company/activatingchange/](https://www.linkedin.com/company/activatingchange/)

III. Partnership/Outreach Awareness

- A. Looking to see if anyone has opportunities for partnership for Human Trafficking Awareness month. Please fill out the form if you have any opportunities and we will reach out to you some time in December in regards to making plans.

IV. Breakout Session

A. Structure and Expectations

B. Fundraising for NHTDWG

1. Walkathon type event to fundraise for NHTDWG
2. Few people volunteer to help with grants. (Dean and Clarisa)

C. Ideas for January Human Trafficking Awareness Month

1. Potential partnerships within the group. Talk about the intersection of human trafficking and disabilities and potentially do social media collaboration.
2. Activating Change is dedicating social media to human trafficking awareness month, end abuse webinar is about sex trafficking and would love to be able to talk about acquiring disabilities when trafficked, depending on audience trying to reach making sure engagements are accessible. Maybe having short PSAs to share to social media pages.
3. Video clips or PSA type social media posts for Nhtdwwg group, Justice at last. Look to collaborate with other organizations
4. If ideas were not represented in this meeting please feel free to fill out a form sent out and submit what you can contribute or what you would like to see.

V. General Member meeting schedule announced in December

- A. Emails from Sari coming in the next couple of weeks with calendar invites to follow in December.