

COMPREHENSIVE AND CLIENT-CENTERED SERVICES

# EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMS



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## EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROGRAM



A call to Cast's 24/7 hotline is a first step towards freedom. (888) KEY-FREE | (888) 539-2373. The hotline provides around the clock response to survivors of human trafficking and serves as a resource to the community for referrals, technical assistance and reporting potential human trafficking cases. CAST's emergency response team provides immediate, short-term services to ensure the safety and well-being of survivors when they escape their trafficking situation.

## SOCIAL SERVICES



Cast's intensive case management program offers a client-centered, trauma-informed approach to helping survivors along their journey to freedom and independence. The program begins with a comprehensive assessment to determine goals and necessary next steps. Services include basic necessities, safety planning, supportive counseling, medical, education, life skills training, employment, transportation, accessing state/federal benefits and more.

## YOUTH PROGRAM



Cast's Youth Program recognizes the specialized needs of minor and transitional age youth (TAY 18-24) survivors and provides comprehensive case management which is care-centered and care intensive and advocacy services with interventions geared towards wellness. This includes group activities focused on empowerment, positive experiences and education; individual assistance navigating various government systems, such as DCFS and Probation; and collaborating with community partners to build job skills and professional development through direct work experience and mentorship.

## HOUSING PROGRAM



Cast's Housing Program provides shelter programs and permanent housing assistance for trafficking survivors. Both our emergency shelter program and transitional housing program offer a safe and welcoming environment to female identified survivors to help them establish independence and self-sufficiency. Our trauma informed staff provides comprehensive case management services, life skills workshops, and mental health services to assist our survivors in rebuilding their lives and move into long term and permanent housing. Our permanent housing program will address housing instability that our survivors face due to a lack of safe, affordable, and permanent housing in Los Angeles County through short-term housing rental assistance. Our dedicated Housing Case Manager will provide direct support services to clients in order to help them secure permanent housing and employment, learn life skills in maintaining housing, and integrating into their community.

## SURVIVOR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM



Cast's Survivor Leadership Programs, the Resilient Voices and the National Survivor Network, bring together a community of survivors of human trafficking for peer-to-peer mentorship and survivor-led advocacy. Their voices on policy and public awareness have led to the development of stronger protections for victims in California and in federal anti-trafficking laws. By connecting survivors across the country, Cast supports and encourages survivors to realize their own leadership qualities and values their insight, not just as survivors, but as the lived experience experts in the field.

## TRAINING + TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



With nearly two decades of experience in providing services to survivors of human trafficking, Cast provides training and technical assistance in order to expand the network of service providers that are able to address the specialized needs of survivors of human trafficking.

## SURVIVOR ADVOCATE PROGRAM: HOSPITAL RESPONSE



The Survivor Advocate program has been developed out of a partnership with Dignity Health and CAST to address Human Trafficking from a public health perspective. From a study conducted by *The Annals of Health Law*, 86-88% of survivors have passed through a healthcare setting and were not identified during the time of their victimization. Having a survivor leader and advocate as part of the leadership and victim response team has changed outcomes and the responses of patients in crisis situations, particularly those who are surviving human trafficking and has worked to create a system where it is empowering to all involved. In addition, the survivor advocate trains and educates clinical staff within the healthcare setting assisting supportive systems and works and builds networks with other service providers.