

**—UMOS AWARDED \$634,000 HUMAN TRAFFICKING GRANT**

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services/ACF Office on Trafficking in Persons, has awarded UMOs a \$634,000 grant over a 3-year period. Only 9 awards were granted nation-wide.

Funds will be utilized state-wide through the Wisconsin Regional Anti-Trafficking Program (WRAP). “The issue of human trafficking exists not only in Milwaukee, but in many communities around the state,” says, Lupe Martinez, President/CEO, UMOs. “We are privileged to have the opportunity to expand our efforts by working with service providers and law enforcement around the state, as well as with the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and the Department of Justice to help survivors heal and seek justice.”

“UMOS has been a steadfast and reliable partner in fighting human trafficking, and a tireless advocate for survivors,” said Attorney General Schimel. “The Wisconsin Department of Justice and the state’s anti-human trafficking task force is more effective with the support of organizations like UMOs and I look forward to seeing the outcome of the new programs and resources this grant will provide.”

UMOS will implement the grant with a strategic focus on key metro areas and “hotspots” located along major interstate highway corridors and agricultural communities in central Wisconsin. Funds will be used to establish, support and expand capacity of Wisconsin communities to prevent labor and sex trafficking and protect both domestic and foreign-born victims of trafficking.

The chart below shows expected outcomes and quantifiable goals.

<b>Project Objective Chart</b>	<b>PY1</b>	<b>PY2</b>	<b>PY3</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Outreach</b>				
# of outreach events to be conducted	55	75	95	225
# of people to be reached through outreach activities	900	1,200	1,275	3,375
# of potential HT victims to be screened through LBS project efforts	70	120	140	330
<b>Training/Technical Assistance</b>				
# of professionals to be trained	700	900	890	2,490
# of professionals trained who will receive	700	900	890	2,490

training assessment tool					
# of professionals to receive technical assistance on identifying and/or referring victims		80	120	140	340
<b>Coalition Building</b>					
# of coalition meetings to be led or attended		16	16	16	48
<b>Public Awareness</b>					
Target Population	Rural and urban counties of Wisconsin, youth, immigrants, refugees, church/parish members, migrant and seasonal farmworkers, Head Start parents, domestic violence shelters, homeless, runaway/displaced youth, community health clinics, hospitals, schools, social service agencies, youth-serving organizations, disability organizations, sexual assault centers, businesses (banks, motels, travel plazas, airlines), community leaders/officials, law enforcement, colleges/ universities.				
# of individuals in the target population to be exposed to strategic public awareness campaign		1,200	1,600	1,500	4,300

These goals and objectives will be achieved through increasing the identification and referral of labor and sex-trafficked victims through direct outreach, developing and conducting public awareness through training, technical assistance and distribution of Health and Human Services’ anti-trafficking materials.

“Individuals who endure this painful experience often have complex needs that require trauma-informed programming,” said DCF Secretary Eloise Anderson. “Through strong partnerships, like the one with UMOS, we can continue to ensure these individuals are receiving the support they need during the healing process.”

UMOS staff will be located in two offices: the UMOS Latina Resource Center in Milwaukee and the UMOS regional office in Oshkosh. For more information on program implementation, contact Mariana Rodriguez at 414-389-6508 in Milwaukee, or Vivian Gutierrez, 920-232-9611 in Oshkosh, or toll free at 866-413-8667.

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