

What is Los Angeles County doing to prepare for human trafficking risks during the 2026 FIFA World Cup?

Los Angeles County is collaborating with the anti-human trafficking efforts through the Los Angeles Regional Human Trafficking Task Force and the Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement Team. These efforts focus on preventing all forms of human trafficking with immediate response and activation of a taskforce member(s) for victim services.

Who is leading these efforts?

The LARHTTF, co-led by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and Saving Innocence, a specialized victim service provider, and federal partners, Homeland Security Investigations and the United States Attorneys (USAO) are leading the anti-trafficking efforts through a victim centered, trauma focused approach.

How does the LARHTTF help victims of human trafficking?

When trafficking is suspected:

- Trained LARHTTF professionals respond immediately
- Victims are connected to comprehensive supportive services
- Investigators and Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) collaborate to disrupt trafficking and prevent further exploitation

What are LARHTTF ongoing prevention and awareness efforts to disrupt human trafficking?

- Providing education and training to the community on information, identification, and activation for all forms of human trafficking
- Providing education and training to law enforcement agencies for all forms of human trafficking and comprehensive victim services available
- Providing education and training to potentially impacted industries, such as hospitality, tourism, construction, entertainment and transportation
- Partnering with "It's a Penalty" a Public Awareness Campaign to educate, provide resources and raise awareness to visitors, fans and the Los Angeles County communities

How does LARHTTF collaborate with other law enforcement agencies?

Local, state, and federal agencies collaborate to disrupt all forms of human trafficking and provide comprehensive services to victims of all forms of human trafficking. To review LA County Sheriff's Department Immigration Information Guide, [click here](#).

What support is available for victims?

Comprehensive specialized services are available to victims of all forms of human trafficking for needs such as:

- Crisis intervention and safe housing
- Legal assistance

- Medical and mental health services
- Education and employment support

These services are available through the 30+ NGO partners through the LARHTTF, coordinated by Saving Innocence.

How can someone report suspected human trafficking or get help?

If you are in imminent danger, experiencing violence, or if there is a child involved, **please call 911.**

You can **report suspected human trafficking** or **get help from local resources** by contacting the National Human Trafficking Hotline:

- Call: 1-800-373-7888
- Text: 233733
- Chat: humantraffickinghotline.org/chat

To report information about a crime committed, call Los Angeles Crime Stoppers at 800-222-8477 (TIPS)

What other resources are available for victims of human trafficking?

- Call 211 for 24/7 non-emergency assistance
- Saving Innocence Crisis Response Hotline; 888-616-4325 (HEAL)
- LA County Department of Children and Family Services Hotline: 800-540-4000

Why is this effort important?

Large global events like the World Cup can increase visitors to the area which may increase the risk of human trafficking. The LARHTTF is taking proactive steps to protect the community.

What is the overall goal of these efforts?

The goal is to ensure safety, protect human rights, and provide strong support for survivors.