

APPROPRIATIONS:

Funding the Fight to End Modern Slavery

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**Alliance To End
Slavery & Trafficking**

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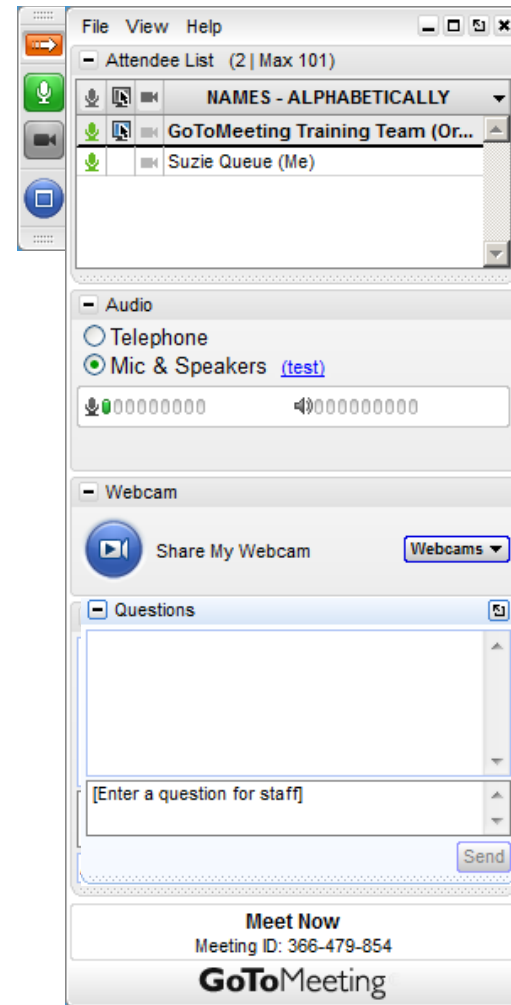
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Overview

- 1 Anti-human trafficking appropriations: how it works and a brief history
- 2 ATEST FY 2015 funding requests: Need and Impact
- 3 ACTION: Helping to secure more dollars to fight human trafficking



Anti-Trafficking Appropriations: How it Works

Six subcommittees determine how much funding is appropriated to carry out programs that were authorized under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA):

Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies

Defense

Financial Services and General Government

Homeland Security

Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies

State, Foreign Operations and Related Agencies

Anti-Trafficking Appropriations: A Brief History



RECENT VICTORY: Omnibus budget
represents greater investment
victim services

41% INCREASE

Heath and Human Services

6% INCREASE

Department of Justice

Anti-Trafficking Appropriations: A Brief History

2009

ATEST begins appropriations work

< 50 “Human trafficking” or “trafficking in persons” mentions in appropriations reports

2010

Historic **\$12 million increase** federal anti-trafficking funding

2013

137 mentions of “human trafficking” or “trafficking in persons”

Foreign Operations: \$42.6 Mil Request

Funding for Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons (J/TIP)

- Projects in **76 countries**
- J/TIP annual report and tools credited for worldwide improvement

J/TIP SUCCESS STORIES



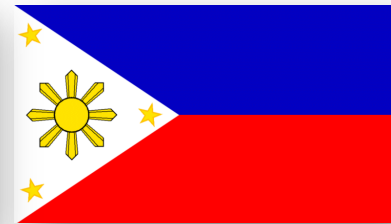
Cambodia



Dominican Republic



Nigeria



Philippines

Foreign Operations: \$42.6 Mil Request



Additional funding will strengthen J/TIP:

- International **presence**
- **Emergency response** support
- Funding of **key partnerships**
- Assistance to countries entering **child protection compact** with United States

Foreign Operations: Report Language



Questions



Homeland Security: \$10 Mil Request and Language



- Expand **ICE investigation** capacity
- **Training** for ICE and Customs and Border Control officers
- **NHTRC hotline** number in all U.S. ports of entry

Questions



Dept. of Justice: \$63.5 Mil Request

Justice Department victim services grants are critical resource for trafficking survivors, yet funds have decreased

- **2011:** DOJ awarded **\$6.7 million** in funding victim service organizations
- **2012:** DOJ awarded **\$5.7 million** in funding to only **14** victim service organizations

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Funding to Improve Law Enforcement and Prosecution

- Human Trafficking Task Forces
- Human Trafficking and Prosecution Unit
- FBI Investigators

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Specialized Services for Labor Trafficked Youth

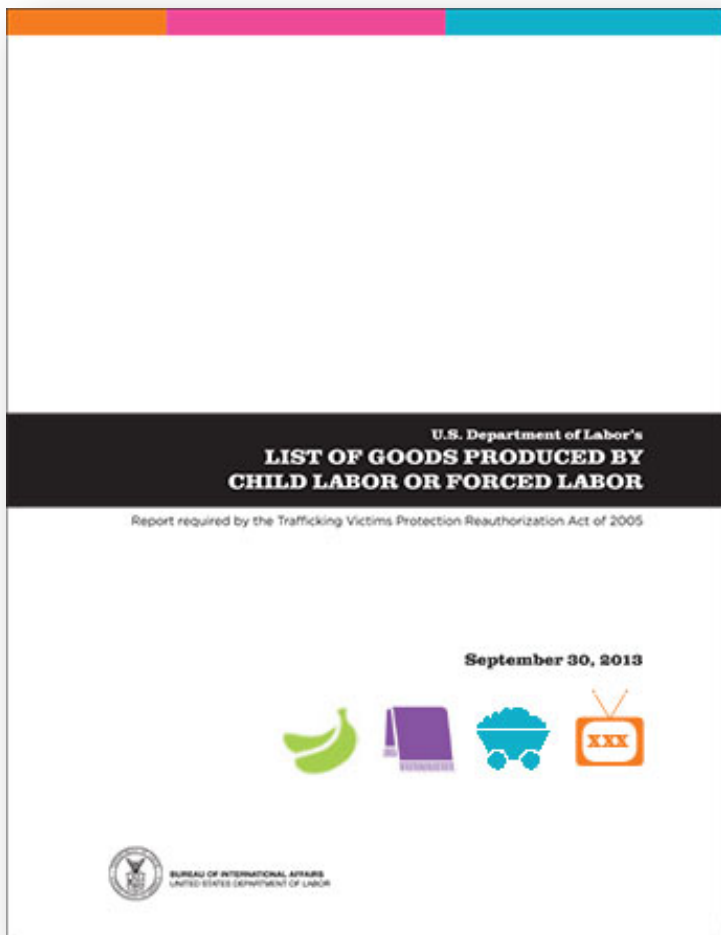
Help trafficked youth
overcome major hurdles
in recovery

Create specialized
housing and social
programs to keep victims
out of juvenile detention

Questions



Labor, HHS, Education: \$51.5 Mil Request



- Critical **monitoring and reporting** on child labor and forced labor globally.
- **Annual List of Goods** Produced by Child Labor or Forced Labor
- **Toolkit** for responsible businesses
- **Job training and education** for vulnerable children

Reducing
Child LABOR
and *Forced* LABOR

A Toolkit for
Responsible Businesses



Labor, HHS, Education: \$51.5 Mil Request

Funding will provide critical services for victims of labor exploitation in the United States

- More than **6,000 potential victims** of labor trafficking since 2007 (National Hotline)
- **National Hotline study:** most shelter beds available were for sex trafficking victims

Labor, HHS, Education: \$51.5 Mil Request



Inadequate funding levels

- Too many trafficking survivors receive **no emergency services**
- Services are **cut off** while still needed

Labor, HHS, Education: \$51.5 Mil Request



Flat funding levels until this year, with **40% increase** in adult victims and a **102% increase** in child victims in the last two fiscal years.

Labor, HHS, Education: \$51.5 Mil Request

The funding we seek will help HHS do 4 important things:

- 1 Do a better job identifying and serving trafficking victims who have been brought here from other countries.
- 2 Create specialized case management programs
- 3 Serve unmet needs of U.S. and foreign national trafficking victims in the United States
- 4 Expand programs that serve runaway and homeless youth

80% of child trafficking victims had previous contact with the child welfare system



Labor, HHS, Education: Report Language

- The Department of Education interfaces with approximately **50 million** elementary and secondary school children each year
- Report language is first step toward stronger protection and victim identification in our schools



Questions



Financial Services: Report Language

Report language will help

- Debilitate criminal financial networks
- Prioritize human trafficking enforcement by Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN)
- Clean up US Government supply chains



Human trafficking and forced labor is a **\$32 billion** a year industry.

Department of Defense: Report Language



The Department of Defense needs more resources and a dedicated office to improving its ability to fight human trafficking

Questions



Next Steps & Call to Action

MARCH-MAY: Appropriations
Subcommittees Meet

APRIL 15: ATEST begins circulating
appropriations letters on Capitol Hill



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Coalition to Abolish Slavery & Trafficking (CAST)

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