DEMANDING JUSTICE

THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING PRO BONO LEGAL CENTER IMPACT REPORT
OUR IMPACT SINCE 2012:

- **3000+** attorneys trained at top law firms across the country and around the world
- **14,000+** community leaders educated about victims’ rights
- **220+** trafficking-related cases placed for pro bono representation
- **Millions** of dollars leveraged in pro bono services

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Today, millions of men, women, and children globally are trapped in forced labor, forced prostitution, and child commercial sexual exploitation.

Few trafficking victims know they have the right to file civil suits against the traffickers. Sometimes, victims are even prosecuted for crimes their traffickers forced them to commit.

IMPACT REPORT 2015–2017

The Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center (HT Pro Bono) is a pioneering non-profit that empowers brave women, men, and children to secure justice. HT Pro Bono aims to link every survivor who dares to seek justice with a skilled, pro bono attorney. We lead national and international efforts to hold human traffickers accountable, secure restitution for victims, raise awareness of victims’ rights, and deter future exploitation.
Our innovative model—training talented pro bono attorneys to represent trafficking victims—leverages millions of dollars in pro bono legal services.

Together with survivors and their counsel, we work to obtain criminal convictions, criminal restitution, and civil judgments against traffickers. With the network HT Pro Bono has built, courageous survivors can pursue justice with a pro bono lawyer by their side.

24/7 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

We support our pro bono attorney partners with training, mentoring, and unique case database resources. Our innovative Trafficking Civil Case Database is one-of-a-kind, allowing attorneys unlimited access to raw legal filings from every civil human trafficking case in the federal courts.

SINCE 2012, WE HAVE:

Won more than $40 MILLION IN COURT ORDERS for public settlements and judgments. We placed federal civil cases and provided pro bono attorneys with technical assistance, yielding significant damages awards for sex and labor trafficking survivors.

Provided referrals and technical assistance in OVER ONE QUARTER (26%) of total federal civil trafficking cases resulting in public settlements and judgments for victims nationwide.

“The matters we have handled through the Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center have been among the most rewarding in my 25+ year legal career. The Center identifies important cases and issues on which firms can assist while being generous with their time for training and consulting. This organization is a wonderful resource.”

—ALISON B. MARSHALL, PARTNER, JONES DAY

**CASES PLACED AT LEADING U.S. LAW FIRMS IN 2015 BY TYPE**

- **Civil litigation/damages**: 26%
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FORGING NEW ALLIANCES

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WE ARE REDEFINING ANTI-TRAFFICKING THROUGH OUR GLOBAL NETWORK

HT Pro Bono is bringing new players—human rights lawyers, international litigators, NGO partners, investigative journalists, and committed supporters—together to turn outrage into action. Together as partners, we must end human trafficking.

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WE CONDUCT TRAUMA-INFORMED OUTREACH THROUGH

SURVIVOR LEADERSHIP

Trafficking survivors are fighting back using the power of litigation. By working with survivor consultants, we amplify survivors’ voices throughout our training materials, advocacy initiatives, and public outreach.

CASE STUDY

Jasna’s Fight

Jasna* was held in domestic servitude for months by a trafficker who brutally sexually and physically abused her. Jasna escaped with nothing but the clothing on her back, terrified and traumatized. Bravely, she sought free legal representation through HT Pro Bono’s network. When federal authorities failed to prosecute her case, Jasna and her team of pro bono lawyers turned to civil litigation. HT Pro Bono provided extensive technical assistance to Jasna’s attorneys. After three years, Jasna won a significant damages award against the trafficker. Today, she can afford a home and has created a new life for herself and her family.

*Name changed to maintain confidentiality

PRO BONO LEGAL ASSISTANCE CHANGES LIVES

I have my peace, justice, freedom. Now I can raise my voice even higher than before with no fear. I’m glad I didn’t give up and kept pushing. I didn’t lose hope.”

— FAITH*, DOMESTIC SERVITUDE SURVIVOR ON WINNING HER CASE AND HOLDING HER TRAFFICKER ACCOUNTABLE

Evelyn Chumbow, a leading anti-trafficking survivor advisor, addresses the audience at a Department of Justice event for National Slavery and Human Trafficking Month in Washington, D.C. on January 29, 2015. Attorney General Eric Holder, right, joins her on stage. Ms. Chumbow serves as an advisor to HT Pro Bono.

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WE EXPOSE SYSTEM FAILURES THROUGH

GROUNDBREAKING RESEARCH

In 2015 and 2016, HT Pro Bono attorneys conducted groundbreaking research on sex trafficking and mandatory criminal restitution. We also launched cutting-edge data analysis in the field of trafficking of persons with disabilities, leading a campaign to alert disability rights advocates to trafficking within this community.

HARNESSING DATA FOR FEDERAL CHANGE

Our 2014 report on mandatory restitution, published in partnership with pro bono law firm WilmerHale, revealed that only 36 percent of trafficking cases ended with mandatory restitution orders. Forced labor cases were far more likely to end in restitution than sex trafficking cases, with courts awarding nearly five times more in restitution on average in forced labor cases. These significant findings were highlighted in the 2015 Trafficking in Persons (TIP) Report issued by the U.S. Department of State (left).

In the cases HT Pro Bono examined, fewer than one in three ended in mandatory restitution for child sex trafficking victims.

EXPOSING INJUSTICE

HT Pro Bono published a shocking finding in The Saint Louis University Law Journal, exposing that child sex trafficking victims are the least likely people to obtain restitution in criminal trafficking cases. This research has significant implications for advocates, prosecutors, and judges.

Survivor Leader Ashley Cacho, right, speaks with HT Pro Bono Founder & President Martina Vandenberg about greater protections for child victims of sex trafficking during the ‘Stories of Survival’ session at the 2016 Trust Women Conference in London, England on December 1, 2016. Photo by Thomson Reuters Foundation.
We drive lasting reform through policy advocacy.

Our work uncovered weaknesses in the United States legal system, informed policy, and led to systemic change. Through survivor-centered reform, we push to hold traffickers accountable.

Legislative Reform

In 2014, HT Pro Bono identified a critical system failure: assets forfeited from traffickers were sent to the U.S. Treasury, not used to pay victim restitution. Our research led to legislative reform with a law passed in 2015 requiring funds from forfeited assets to be allocated to victims first. Trafficking victims are now more likely to receive restitution and can use those funds to rebuild their lives.

Leading Strategic Litigation

Martina Vandenberg, HT Pro Bono President and Founder, and Nick Grono, CEO of the Freedom Fund, co-published a 2016 CNN op-ed highlighting trafficking victims’ pioneering efforts to sue traffickers.

Santa Clara University School of Law Katharine and George Alexander Law Prize Recognizes HT Pro Bono’s Innovative Policy Advocacy

HT Pro Bono’s Martina Vandenberg accepts the 2015 Katharine & George Alexander Law Prize on March 24, 2015. This award recognizes legal advocates who have worked to alleviate injustice and inequity. Photo by Adam Hays.
SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR LAW FIRM AND ADVISORY FIRM PARTNERS

With your support, we have trained pro bono lawyers, developed innovative resources for litigation, exposed system failures, and helped victims obtain damages awards and restitution to rebuild their lives.

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Steptoe & Johnson LLP
Stout Risius Ross, Inc
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The Lenzer Firm
Troutman Sanders LLP
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Wiley Rein LLP
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Martina E. Vandenberg
Founder & President

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Youth farm worker holds orange in a migrant worker camp in Florida. Child farmworkers can be as young as six or seven, forced to work in dangerous conditions around the U.S. Photo by U. Roberto (Robin) Romano Papers, Archives, Special Collections and Digital Curation, University of Connecticut Library
“We connect some of the world’s most skilled lawyers with the country’s most vulnerable clients.”

— KATHLEEN PERATIS, EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER, THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING PRO BONO LEGAL CENTER AND PARTNER AT OUTTEN & GOLDEN LLP
FINANCIALS

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES 2015
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

Complete 2015 and 2016 HT Pro Bono audited financial statements are available upon request at info@htprobono.org.

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| CHANGE IN NET ASSETS | | | |
|----------------------| | | |
| **43,305** | (115,000) | (71,695) |
| **NET ASSETS, beginning of year** | 119,859 | 190,000 | 309,859 |
| **NET ASSETS, end of year** | 163,164 | 75,000 | 238,164 |
Every trafficking victim—U.S. citizen, legal permanent resident, or foreign national—deserves to have access to effective legal counsel.

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“The butterfly is a symbol of freedom for me. I can finally start stretching my wings to fly. I am just like a butterfly.”

TRAFFICKING SURVIVOR LEADER & ADVOCATE

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