

## Our Mission

*To live in a world where there is no exploitation and where men, women, and children's lives are protected and held in high esteem.*

- **The Bilateral Safety Corridor Coalition is a network of over 100+ government and non-profit agencies** in the U.S. and Latin America, convened to bilaterally prevent and intervene against human trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation.
- **BSCC advocates for social change by increasing public awareness**, and encourages local, state, national and international authorities to eradicate these problems.
- **BSCC provides a bilateral multidisciplinary curriculum** to educate service professionals and organizations that provide counseling, medical and legal services to victims.
- **BSCC organizes forums, conferences, and training events** at the local, national and international levels, addressing prevention, intervention, and eradication.
- **BSCC establishes collaborative agreements** with government agencies and social service providers to operate a network that offers a wide array of services to support victims.
- **BSCC provides direct service to victims.** Once a referral is given to BSCC, the client services team will provide assessment and emergency shelter. Additional client needs such as counseling, long term housing, immigration relief and legal services are provided alongside our coalition partners.

## Our Vision

*To preserve the dignity and well-being of commercially and sexually exploited men, women and children through prevention, intervention, and education.*

Headquartered in San Diego, California with a sister office in Tijuana, BSCC is a 501(c)3 non-profit that was established as a volunteer organization in 1997 and formally incorporated in 2002.

BSCC continues to be funded through the U.S. Department of Justice Office for Victims of Crime and The Health and Human Services Department. For the last three years, one of BSCC's primary roles has been as the intermediary agency to The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the "Rescue and Restore" campaign.

This funding has allowed the development of the Southern California Unity Coalition which has provided contracts with over 20 different agencies in the region. The objective of this project is to increase victim identification in isolated communities and raise awareness about human trafficking.

BSCC's goals and objectives include serving as a nationwide model with an emphasis on border cities and states to better analyze regions, identify victims and expand our network of wrap-around services. BSCC also facilitates a multi-disciplinary coalition with law enforcement, social service providers, media, education, and a variety of community members.

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**24 Hour Hotline: 619.666.2757**

Website: [www.bsccoalition.org](http://www.bsccoalition.org)

# The Bilateral Safety Corridor Coalition

Prevent  
Intervene  
Eradicate



Human Trafficking and  
The Commercial and Sexual  
Exploitation of Men, Women,  
and Children

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# KEY INFORMATION ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING

## WHAT IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

Human trafficking is the recruitment, smuggling, abducting, transporting, harboring, buying or selling of a person by means of force, fraud, threats or coercion for the purpose of labor or sexual exploitation.

**This includes minors engaged in commercial sexual activities.**

## WARNING SIGNS

- Avoiding eye contact
- Lost sense of time & location, due to forced enclosure and trauma
- Fear, depression, withdrawal
- Hyper vigilant or paranoid behavior
- Lack of trust toward others
- Possible mental health and/or substance abuse problems
- Bruises or other signs of physical abuse
- Evidence of being controlled
- Evidence of inability to move or leave job
- Not speaking on own behalf/ or non-English speaking
- No passport or other form of identification or documentation

## DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TRAFFICKING AND SMUGGLING

### Smuggling

- Relationship ends at the border
- Transaction is made for the smuggling service
- Person is free to leave

### Trafficking

- Relationship does NOT end at the border
- NO transaction is made; debts are incurred
- Person is NOT free to leave

*Asking the right questions will help you determine if the person in front of you is a victim of trafficking who needs your help.*

## KEY QUESTIONS TO ASK

- What type of work do you do?
- Are you being paid?
- Can you leave your job if you want to?
- Can you come and go as you please?
- Have you or your family been threatened?
- What are your working and living conditions like?
- Where do you sleep and eat?
- Do you have to ask permission to eat/sleep/go to the bathroom?
- Are there locks on your door/windows so that you can not get out?
- Is someone else holding your identification or documentation?
- Is the victim a juvenile engaged or forced in commercial sex?

## SUPPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE THROUGH BSCC

- Access to a 24 hour Emergency Response Team, through our Trafficking Hotline: 619.666.2757
- Crisis intervention
- Trafficking assessment, identification and assistance in the United States and Mexico
- Advocate for victims' rights
- Emergency shelter and stable housing
- Network of services that provide:
  - Counseling/crisis intervention
  - Medical care
  - Education
  - Intensive case management
  - Independent living skills and job development
  - Specialized refugee foster care
  - Legal representation
  - Pre-trial services
  - General consulate assistance

## REPORT IT

**BSCC: 619.666.2757** 24/7 Bilingual

National Human Trafficking Resources Center  
Hotline: **1.888.3737.888** 24/7 Multi-Lingual

Info Line San Diego: **211**