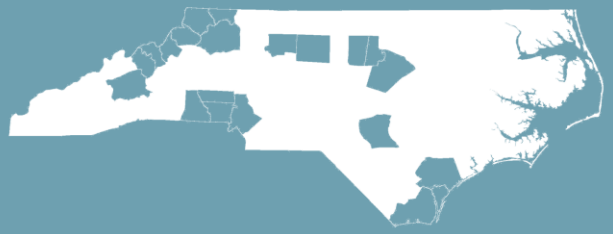

NC Balance of State Continuum of Care

Steering Committee Meeting

December 2, 2014

10:30 AM

Welcome

- Roll Call
- Reminders
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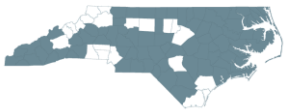
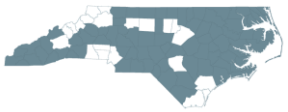
    - Hold music is disruptive



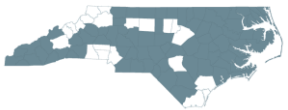
Today's Agenda

- Human trafficking
- Point-in-Time count
- AHAR update
- Regional Lead elections
- Coordinated Assessment update
- 2015 BoS Subcommittee schedule
- Upcoming meetings
- Regional Committee updates



Review & Approve Minutes

- November 4 minutes
  - ncceh.org/files/5135/



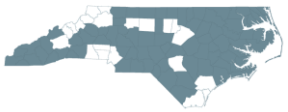
Human Trafficking

- Jessica Porta
  - Training and Education Manager/Case Manager

THE SALVATION ARMY

PROJECT FIGHT

FREEING INDIVIDUALS GRIPPED BY HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN N.C.



What is Human Trafficking?

According to the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2013:

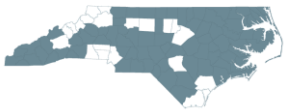
Sex Trafficking:

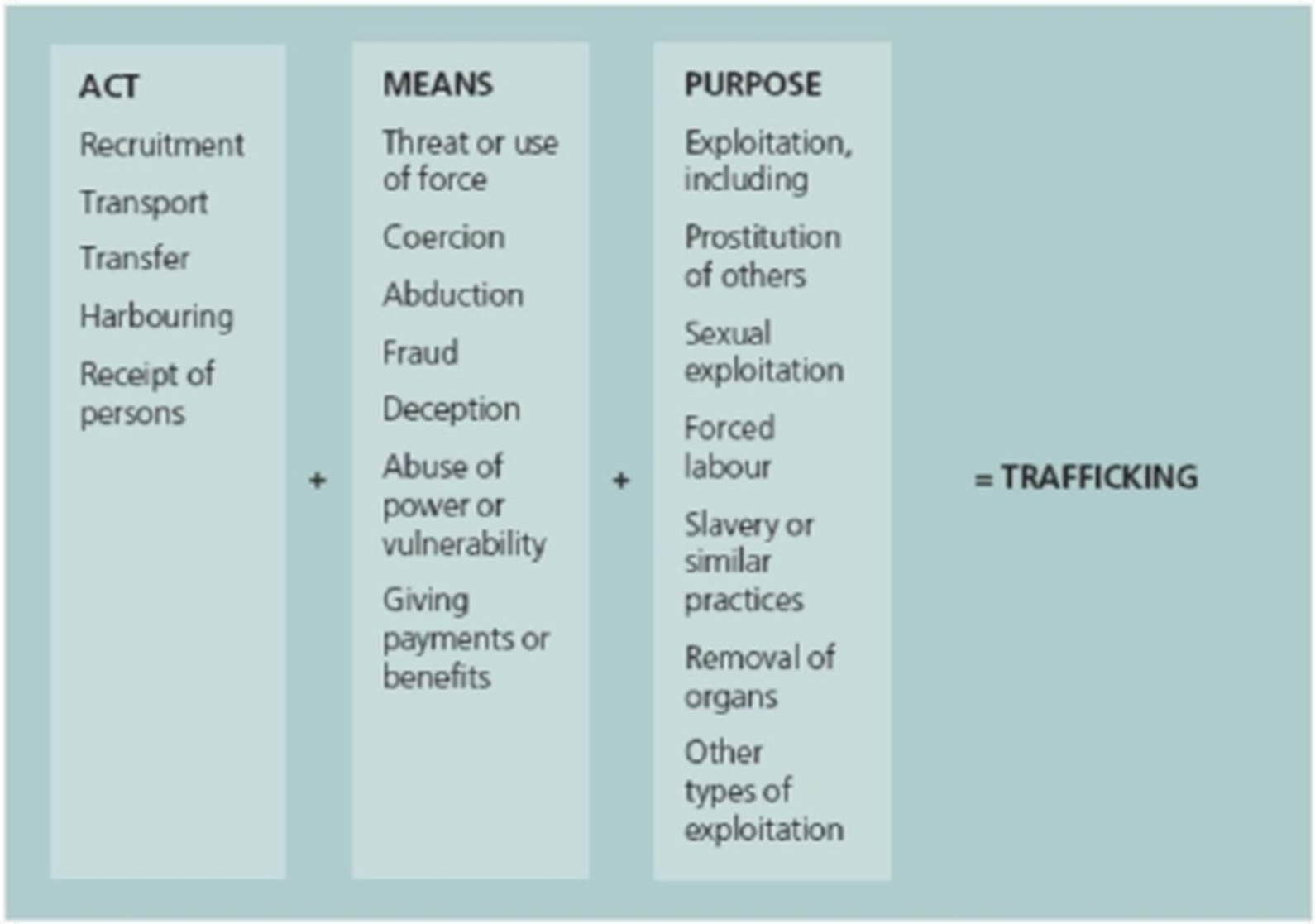
Commercial sex act induced by force, fraud or coercion, **OR** in which person induced to perform such an act has not obtained 18 years of age.

Labor Trafficking:

The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision or obtaining of a person **for labor or services**, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.

Also see - State Law : NC General Statutes/ Chapter 14/ Art. 10A





Source: unodc.org/unodc/en/human-trafficking/what-is-human-trafficking.html

What are some Trafficking Tactics?

Force:

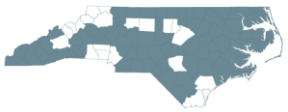
- Physical assault/beatings
- Acid burns
- Rape and gang rape
- Restraint or bonded
- Confinement
- Kidnapping
- Starvation
- Forced drug addiction

Fraud

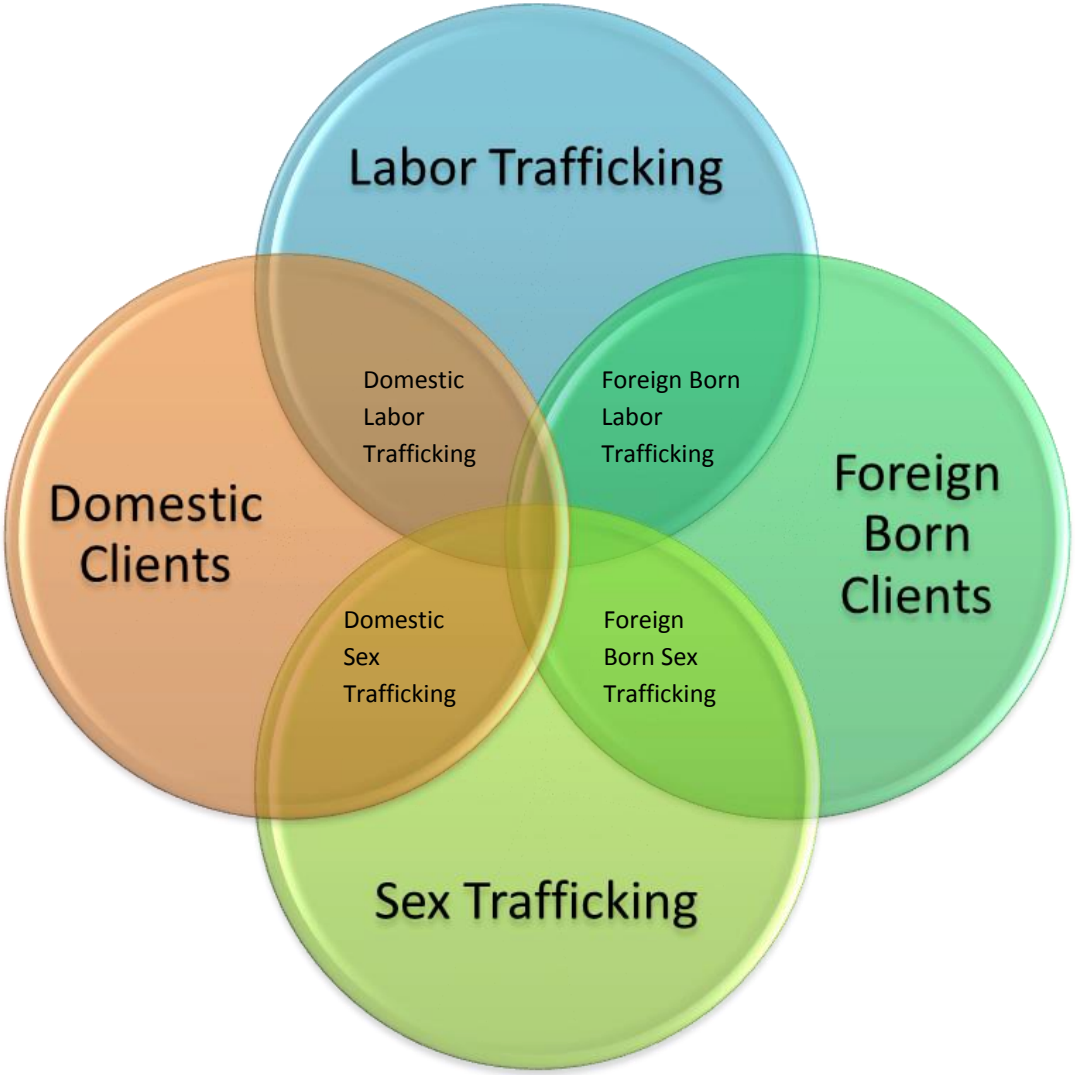
- Romantic relationship
- False promises of marriage
- Employment
- Better life: jobs, education, citizenship
- Increasing debt
- Recruitment traps
- Corruption

Coercion

- Threats of serious harm to self/loved ones
- Confiscating documents or passports
- Threatening to report to police
- Threatening legal ramifications

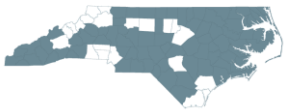


Trafficking Categories



Examples of Trafficking

	Sex Trafficking	Labor Trafficking
Domestic	- Online - Street Solicitation - Escort Services	- Door-to-door sales - Restaurants - Drugs
Foreign Born	- Brothels - Massage Parlors	- Agricultural - Domestic Servitude - Restaurant



Human Trafficking and Homelessness

- Homelessness overlaps with multiple vulnerabilities common to trafficking victims:
  - Poverty
  - Mental illness
  - Substance abuse
  - Lack of stability
  - Limited support system
  - Past history of abuse
  - Foster care
  - Lack of resources
  - Lack of education
  - Low self-esteem

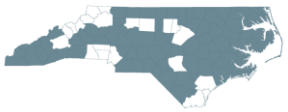
Vulnerabilities & Position of Power

- No money
- No other options
- Past history of abuse
- Instability
- Lack of education/awareness
- Mental health
- Low self-esteem

- Money
- Options/A way out
- Physical power
- Stability
- Cunning/clever/confident personality

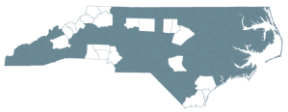
Project FIGHT

- Project FIGHT began in August 2011
- Has helped over 130 victims across the state of NC
- Provides direct case management for all victims of human trafficking: men, women, children, families, sex or labor trafficking, foreign born or domestic
- Connects clients with resources for:
  - Legal Needs
  - Safety Planning
  - Medical/Dental
  - Housing (emergency & long term)
  - Education & Employment
  - Food/Clothing/Basic Needs



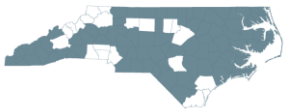
Trafficking Resources

- Polaris Hotline
  - All community members and suspected trafficking tips
  - *1-888-3737-888*
- The Salvation Army On-Call number
  - Professional contacts that need victim assistance
  - (919) 410-6586
- Rapid Response Teams across the state
  - North Carolina Coalition Against Human Trafficking
  - Referrals and training
- Jessica Porta
  - (919) 478 – 1034, jessica@uss.salvationarmy.org



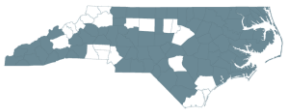
Point-in-Time Count: Logistics

- PIT will be the night of Wednesday, January 28
- Each Regional Committee chooses a PIT Lead Contact
  - Missing from Person, Smoky Mountain
  - Email contact info to bos@ncceh.org
  - If no one chosen, Regional Lead will be contact
- PIT lead responsible for local coordination & training, verifying data, & submitting forms to NCCEH
- NCCEH makes forms and does training on them, compiles BoS data, and submits it to HUD



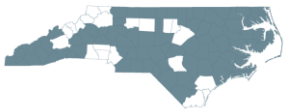
Point-in-Time Count: Overview

- Count people where they are the night of January 28
- Homeless
  - In emergency shelter (including DV shelter)
  - In transitional housing
  - In place not meant for human habitation (car, park bench, streets, abandoned building)
- NOT homeless
  - Doubled-up/couch surfing
  - In substandard housing
  - In institution (hospital, jail, detox or substance use program)



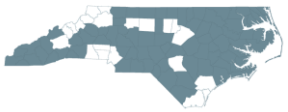
Point-in-Time Count: Overview

- Is it a homeless program? Must meet 3 criteria
  1. Primary intent of program is to serve homeless people
  2. Project verifies homeless status as part of eligibility requirements
  3. Actual program participants are predominantly homeless
- Not sure? Ask us!
  - nancy@ncceh.org



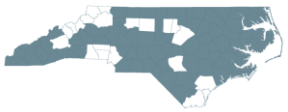
Point-in-Time Count: Overview

- Also count for Housing Inventory Chart (HIC)
  - Permanent supportive housing (S+C, HUD-VASH)
  - Rapid re-housing
    - Only count clients who were in housing and receiving rental assistance the night of the PIT



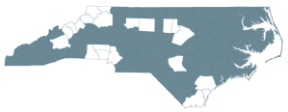
Point-in-Time Count: Resources

- NCCEH working on updating forms
  - Will be emailed to PIT lead contacts
- Training: Thursday, January 8, 9:30
  - Open to everyone in BoS
  - All PIT leads/coordinators should attend
  - Register at www.ncceh.org/events/804/
- PIT leads MUST read HUD guidance
  - PIT Methodology Guide: www.ncceh.org/files/5111/
  - PIT/HIC Data Collection Notice: www.ncceh.org/files/5110/



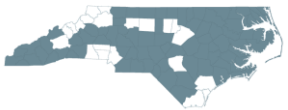
AHAR: Background

- Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR)
  - Comprehensive report to Congress
  - Year-to-year trends
  - NC BoS submits data for entire CoC
- HUD will reject poor quality data
  - Does not include in AHAR
- Advantageous to have more NC BoS data in AHAR
  - Included in national conversation about homelessness
  - Access greatest amount of funding in CoC application



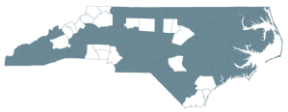
AHAR: Data Review

- Agencies & NC BoS staff have been working to clean data for AHAR
- In 2013, we submitted 6 table shells and 1 summary shell
  - 3 rejected by HUD
  - We aim to have 5 of 6 shells accepted this year



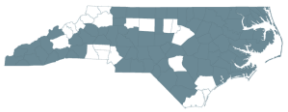
AHAR: Data Review

- NC BoS staff submitted AHAR draft data on Nov. 11
- Final data due to HUD Dec.15
- Common errors
  - Missing client data
  - Children enrolled by themselves
  - Previous clients that have never been exited from the program



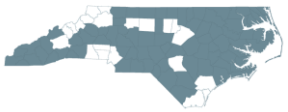
Regional Lead Elections

- Regional Committees elect
  - 1 Regional Lead and 1 alternate
- Regional Lead & Regional Committees roles and responsibilities
  - ncceh.org/files/3117
- Reflect election results in minutes
- Do not have to change Regional Leads and/or alternates but must hold a new election each year
- In person meeting for Regional Leads and alternates
  - Wed. Feb. 25 - Raleigh, NC



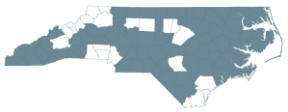
Regional Lead Elections

- NC BoS needs to have Conflict of Interest forms on file for both Regional Leads and alternates
  - Form must be filled anew each year
  - ncceh.org/files/5161



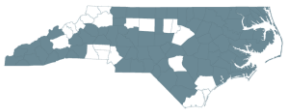
Coordinated Assessment Deadlines

Regional Committees	CA Workshop Dates	CA Plans due to CAC
Carteret, Caswell, Johnston, Transylvania, Wilson Greene	Sept. 17-18	Nov. 3
Davie Surry Stokes, Henderson, Iredell Yadkin, Lee, Onslow	Sept. 23-24	Nov. 10
AHRMM, Down East, Foothills, Northeast	Oct. 8-9	Nov. 24
Alamance, Piedmont, Pitt	Oct. 20-21	Dec. 8
Beaufort , Burke, Chatham, Craven, Harnett, Person, Randolph, Southeast	Oct. 23-24	Dec. 8
Catawba, Kerr Tar, Rockingham, Smoky Mountain Twin County	Oct. 27-28	Dec. 15



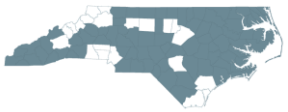
CA Plan Submission

- 9 of 13 plans submitted
- Threshold review currently underway
- CAC will begin to review plans this month
- Plan submission =
  - Adobe form
  - Excel appendices
    - All worksheets filled
  - Diagrams
  - Rules of participating agencies
  - MOUs if available (in place by implementation)



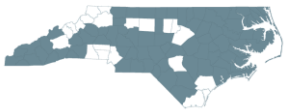
CA Plan Review

- NC BoS staff threshold review
  - Contact Regional Committees for missing/incomplete items if needed
- CAC plan review December – February
  - Ask Regional Committees for further feedback if needed
- Recommend for Steering Committee approval
- Regional Committees will implement 1 month after approval



CA Process Feedback

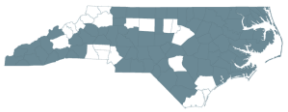
- How has local planning process gone?
- What has worked and not worked?
- Ideas for improvement?



Coordinated Assessment Council

- Council membership is finalized
  - Statewide reps

Seat	Person
DHHS - State ESG Office	Martha Are
DHHS – Key & Targeted Program	Ellen Blackman
DHHS - Mental Health, Best Practices	Angela Harper
Veterans Administration	Jeff Doyle
Housing Finance Agency	Patricia Amend
United Way of North Carolina/2-1-1	Laura Marx
NC Coalition Against Domestic Violence	Dana Mangum
NC Coalition to End Homelessness	Denise Neunaber



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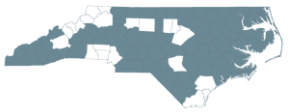
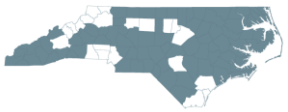
Person	Agency
Kim Crawford	Allied Churches of Alamance County shelter and RRH programs
Julie Gentry	Help, Inc. domestic violence program
Fredrika Cooke	Family Promise of Moore County
Susan Pridgen	United Way of Onslow County RRH program
Candice Rountree	Wilson County Dept. of Social Services RRH program
Teena Willis	Partners Behavioral Health Management PSH program



2015 BoS Subcommittee Schedule

- Potential changes on the horizon
- The goal of these meetings is to improve program performance and data quality
- NC BoS staff are brainstorming ideas to improve meetings
  - Contact bos@ncceh.org with suggestions and comments
- Maintain schedule through June



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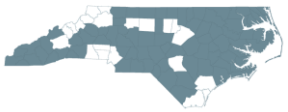
- Rapid Rehousing
  - Quarterly: March, June, September, December
  - 3rd Friday
- Permanent Supportive Housing
  - Quarterly: February, May, August, November
  - 3rd Monday
- Data Quality
  - Bimonthly: January, March, May, July, September, November
  - 4th Monday



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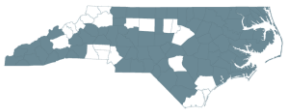
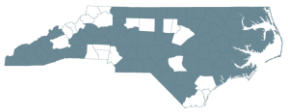
- Schedule with links to online registrations
  - ncceh.org/files/5166



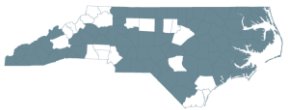
Upcoming Meetings

- RRH Subcommittee meeting
  - Fri. Dec. 12, 10:30-11:30 AM
  - ncceh.org/events/752/
- CoC Grantees Scorecard Review
  - Thu. Dec. 18, 2-3 PM
  - ncceh.org/events/803



Regional Committee Updates

- Other news and updates from your community?



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- **PIT point people:** Review NCCEH resources and HUD PIT guidance, register for Jan. 8 training
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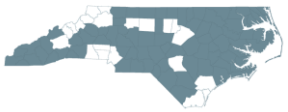
- **CHIN Users:** Respond to emails, take action if needed
- **Regional Committees:** Prepare to elect Regional Leads and alternates in January



Reminders

- **Regional and CA Leads:** Respond to requests for further information from NC BoS staff or CAC members
- **Many:** Register for subcommittee meetings on the NCCEH website
  - ncceh.org/files/5166
- **RRH Program Managers:** Register for and attend RRH Subcommittee meeting
  - ncceh.org/events/752
- **CoC Grantees:** Register for and attend Scorecard Review meeting
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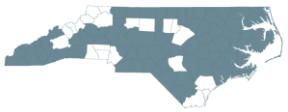
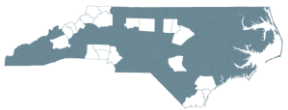


Wrap Up

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