



Legislation Text

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Memorandum

Date: January 9, 2024
To: The Honorable Lake County Board of Supervisors
From: Lake Family Resource Center
Subject: Adopt Proclamation Designating the Month of January 2024 as Human Trafficking Awareness Month in Lake County

Executive Summary:

WHEREAS, human trafficking is a serious crime that affects people of all races, age, and gender; and
WHEREAS, human trafficking is a borderless crime against individuals that violates the most basic human rights and deprives victims of human dignity and denies freedom to 32 million people around the world; and
WHEREAS, human trafficking is the fastest growing criminal industry globally; and
WHEREAS, California ranks first among the states in the number of potential reports of human trafficking; and
WHEREAS, a serious form of human trafficking involves the exploitation of children and youth for commercial sex acts. It is imperative that our young people and their families learn how to recognize risks and resist predators who use coercion and threats to manipulate children and young adults into sex and labor trafficking; and
WHEREAS, Lake Family Resource Center is instrumental in leading the way in the County of Lake in addressing human trafficking by providing 24-hour hotline services, and continuing support, advocacy and accompaniment to survivors; and
WHEREAS, preventing human trafficking in Lake County must include active public and private efforts to help recognize and acknowledge existence; and it is time to start conversations, take appropriate action and support one another to create a safer environment for all residents; and
WHEREAS, many organizations such as the District Attorney’s Office, Sheriff’s Office, Lakeport Police Department, Clearlake Police Department and Lake Family Resource Center are committed to ending Human Trafficking in Lake County and provide essential crisis intervention and prevention services to all members of our community.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the month of January 2024 is designated as Human Trafficking Awareness Month in Lake County, and our community is urged to support the efforts of the agencies assisting victims of human trafficking and urges all local governments, schools, businesses and community members to be aware and report any suspicious activity to local police departments and help shine the light on trafficking.

If not budgeted, fill in the blanks below only:

Estimated Cost: _____ Amount Budgeted: _____ Additional Requested: _____ Future Annual Cost: _____

Purchasing Considerations (check all that apply):

Not applicable

- Fully [Article X](https://library.municode.com/ca/lake_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_CH2AD_ARTXPU_S2-38EXCOBI), [and/or Consultant Selection Policy](https://library.municode.com/ca/lake_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_CH2AD_ARTXPU_S2-38EXCOBI) [-Compliant](http://lcnet.co.lake.ca.us/Assets/Intranet/Policy/Policies+26+Procedures+Manual/Ch4_2021v2.pdf) (*describe process undertaken in "Executive Summary"*)
- [Section 2-38](https://library.municode.com/ca/lake_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_CH2AD_ARTXPU_S2-38EXCOBI) [Exemption from Competitive Bidding](https://library.municode.com/ca/lake_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_CH2AD_ARTXPU_S2-38EXCOBI) (*rationale in "Executive Summary," attach documentation, as needed*)
- For Technology Purchases: Vetted and Supported by the [Technology Governance Committee](http://lcnet.co.lake.ca.us/Assets/Intranet/Intranet+Forms/Information+Technology/AdvPlan.pdf) [\("Yes," if checked\)](http://lcnet.co.lake.ca.us/Assets/Intranet/Intranet+Forms/Information+Technology/AdvPlan.pdf)
- Other (*Please describe in Executive Summary*)

Consistency with [Vision 2028](http://www.lakecountyca.gov/Government/Directory/Administration/Visioning/Vision2028.htm) [\(<http://www.lakecountyca.gov/Government/Directory/Administration/Visioning/Vision2028.htm>](http://www.lakecountyca.gov/Government/Directory/Administration/Visioning/Vision2028.htm))

(check all that apply):

- Well-being of Residents
- Economic Development
- Community Collaboration
- Not applicable
- Public Safety
- Infrastructure
- Business Process Efficiency
- Disaster Prevention, Preparedness, Recovery
- County Workforce
- Clear Lake

Recommended Action: Adopt Proclamation Designating the Month of January 2024 as Human Trafficking Awareness Month in Lake County