



Our Mission

Lead, empower, and connect our community to eradicate human trafficking.

Our Vision

A world without human trafficking.

Our Why

It requires true community to end human trafficking.

Exploitation of our neighbors for sex and labor monetizes human suffering with devastating physical, mental, and community consequences. The Collaborative to End Human Trafficking builds our community's capacity to end this injustice and support survivors on their path to healing.

Our Strategic Priorities

Shine a Bright Light

Strengthen the Collaborative's capacity, credibility, and influence so the community unites to effectively respond to human trafficking in Cuyahoga County.

Support, Equip & Facilitate

Support, equip, and facilitate members of the Greater Cleveland Coordinated Response to act collectively.

Ensure Survivor Power

Survivors use their power to influence and shape the Collaborative's operations and the community's collective actions.

Shine a Bright Light: Driving Awareness and Commitment Training and Education

- Delivered **54 trainings** to **3,277 professionals and community members** across healthcare, housing, education, and law enforcement — a **49% increase** in the number of people trained from the previous year.
- 83% of trainings** were co-facilitated by members of the **Survivor Advisory Committee**, ensuring authentic, lived-experience perspectives guided every session.
- Expanded our reach through digital education, connecting with more than **32,000 viewers** on LinkedIn and other online platforms.

I thought I understood trafficking—until I heard a survivor describe what it feels like to be unseen. This training changed how I listen, respond, and advocate.”

—Healthcare professional, Cleveland Clinic



- Launched the **Humans Over Human Trafficking Awareness** campaign, which became a unifying call to action, **reshaping how our region understands trafficking** and inspiring collective responsibility for change. **5,223 people pledged to be a “Human Over Human Trafficking” and counting.**
- Through a first-of-its-kind data effort with 15 coalition partners, we produced a countywide snapshot of services, revealing that **hundreds of survivors—not just a few—accessed housing, crisis, mental health, legal, and vocational support this year.**

5,223
TOOK THE
HOHT PLEDGE

3,277
MEMBERS
TRAINED

Support, Equip, Facilitate: Leading a Smart, Coordinated Response

Advocacy:

- **Advanced advocacy that contributed to \$9 million in state funding**, preserving critical survivor services across Ohio. Coalition members received support through OCJS grants totaling more than \$637,000.
- Led Ohio's first **Statewide Human Trafficking Advocacy Day**, uniting survivors, providers, and policymakers at the Ohio Statehouse.
- Formed the **Greater Cleveland's Coordinated Response to Human Trafficking's Leadership Council**. The Council brings together visionary leaders from across sectors—public health, government, law enforcement, and nonprofit—each committed to aligning our strategies, amplifying survivor voice, and building a more coordinated response to human trafficking in our community.

\$9M
IN STATE
FUNDING

Ensure Survivor Power: Centering Lived Experience to Shape the Movement

- Continually strengthened our **survivor engagement model**, grounded in best practices for survivor-inclusive leadership and collaboration. **The Survivor Advisory Committee** now plays a more active role in shaping strategy and informing coalition priorities to ensure lived experience drives coordinated community response.
- **Survivor leaders informed policy at Advocacy Day**, contributed to education and training initiatives, and used storytelling to shift narratives and advance systems change.
- Continued investment in **professional development and peer support** ensures that survivors are empowered as leaders and partners in this movement.



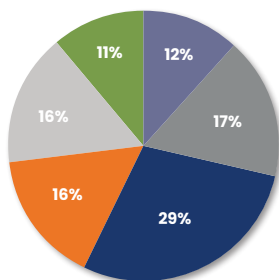
2025 By the Numbers

Every number represents people — survivors, allies, and partners — working together to make freedom possible

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Based on
FY25 Budget

- Program Services
- Training & Education
- Coalition Coordination
- Advocacy & Awareness
- Fundraising
- Administration



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ENGAGED BY
DIGITAL
EDUCATION

15
COALITION
AGENCIES
CONTRIBUTING
DATA

75+
PARTNER
ORGANIZATIONS
IN GCCRHT

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SURVIVOR
LEADERS

Together, we are creating a future where human trafficking has no place and every survivor has the opportunity to heal, thrive, and lead.

Become an active part of the solution –

- Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn
- Sign up for our e-newsletter
- Donate
- Attend a training session

