



# GLOBAL CENTURION

FIGHTING MODERN SLAVERY BY FOCUSING ON DEMAND

## 2015 Annual Report

### *Message from the President*

Global Centurion Foundation has been fighting trafficking by focusing on the demand side of the problem since we opened our doors in 2010 and the work we did in 2015 was no exception. We have continued to work on what I call the “front-end” of demand reduction: training to raise awareness of the need for a comprehensive approach to addressing trafficking.

We use a business model of supply, demand, and distribution to help people understand human trafficking. This “triangle of activity” - supply (the people being bought and sold); distribution (the traffickers, who are in it for the money) and demand (the buyers – whether for labor, sex, or organs – who fuel the market for human trafficking) provides a tripartite model for intervention – and we do need intervention programs on all three sides of the triangle. The demand side, however, is probably the least understood and yet it could be argued, the most important focus for intervention. Without demand, the human trafficking industry would collapse, for it is the demand for commercial sex, cheap labor and human organs that drives traffickers to recruit, transport, harbor, obtain and provide victims.

While no accurate data exist as to the size and scope of this industry, it is estimated that 38 million people are trapped in some form of modern-day slavery and traffickers reap over \$150 billion annually profiting from human exploitation.

We are proud to be serving for the 4th year as Subject Matter Expert (SME) for the U.S. Department of Defense in what I call the largest Demand Reduction Training Program in the world. The U.S. Department of Defense Combating Trafficking in Persons (CTIP) Office has developed a series of anti-trafficking trainings for military personnel. Over the last two years, as the training became mandatory, it has reached 94% of personnel in all four branches of the military.

In 2015 we updated specialized training for Acquisition and Procurement Workforce; Military Law Enforcement; and a Refresher Course for those who took the General Awareness Training. As a result of this training, DoD has seen an increase both sex and labor trafficking reports, and has assigned investigators to work on both compliance and criminal cases.

This year GC also served as the SME for the Department of Health and Human Services SOAR (Stop; Observe; Ask; Respond) Training on Human Trafficking for Health Care and Social Service Professionals. This work arose from interviews that GC did with over 200 survivors to document the injuries, illnesses, and impairments they incurred. During these interviews we discovered that 87.8% of victims had sought health care from hospitals, clinics and private physicians and that health care providers were treating the health problem but missing the slavery context causing the problem. GC was the first to



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call for training for health providers and we are proud to be a part of the SOAR training now being created by HHS.

I hope upon reviewing the following report of our progress that you will be as encouraged and excited as I am about what we have accomplished this year and will continue to support our efforts in the future.

Warmly,

Laura J. Lederer, J.D.  
President & Founder

### **About Global Centurion Foundation**

Global Centurion Foundation (GCF) is a non-profit organization fighting modern slavery by focusing on the demand side of the equation – the perpetrators, exploiters, buyers, and end-users of human beings who fuel the market for commercial sex and forced labor. 2015 was another exceptionally busy and productive year for us. Below we have summarized a few of our most important projects and activities from 2015.



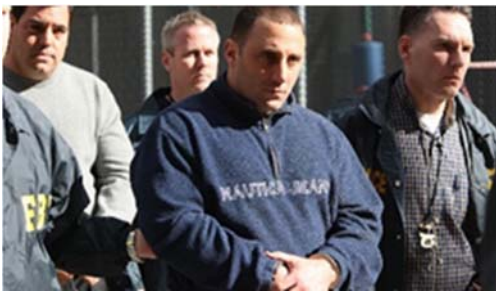
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### RESEARCH PROJECTS

#### I. The Link between Organized Crime and Trafficking in Persons



In January 2015, GCF consolidated the universe of cases linking organized crime to human trafficking and began a comparative analysis of the cases. We took as our guide the FBI categories of international crime, including African Criminal Enterprises, Asian Criminal Enterprises, Balkan Criminal Enterprises, Eurasian Criminal Enterprises, Italian Organized Crime/Mafia, and Middle Eastern Criminal Enterprises. In addition, using classifications pioneered by organized crime experts, we identified perpetrators as highly sophisticated international criminal enterprises such as cartels or syndicates (such as the Cali cartel); corporate (such as the Kil Soo Lee case where the trafficker operated a factory and trafficked people in to work there); crime families (such as the Cadenas - 7 brothers who ran a sex trafficking network); brothel/business front such as massage parlors; criminal gangs (such as MS-13), and “crime couple” such as husband, wife, and an additional perpetrator. These classifications will aid us as we analyze the data and create crime, perpetrator, and victim profiles and dispel the myth that organized crime is not involved.

#### II. The Health Consequences of Human Trafficking

GCF has continued to interview domestic survivors of sex trafficking from across the United States in an effort to further our study on the health consequences of sex trafficking. We hope to visit every region of the U.S. and to obtain a sample size of at least 300 survivors. We currently have just over 200 interviews completed. In our talks with survivors we discovered that almost 100 percent had suffered at least one injury, illness or impairment while they were trafficked and many continue to struggle with long-term health issues associated with their trafficking situations. Currently, this is the largest study of survivor health issues.



In 2015, we began holding a series of Roundtables for Healthcare Providers, especially doctors and nurses, clinical psychologists and social workers. The purpose of these Roundtables is to explore with health providers the best ways to educate health providers and raise awareness about human trafficking,

as well as to help them develop guidelines and protocols for referral and reporting if they encounter or treat a victim of trafficking. We found that 87.8 percent of victims saw a medical professional during the time they were trafficked. The medical community could play a very important role in the identification of and assistance to victims of human trafficking if they are given the appropriate training and information on connecting victims with other services available in their communities.

### **III. International Human Trafficking Case Law Database**



GCF's anchor research project is an International Case Law Database, the purpose of which is to create a searchable, longitudinal database of all forms of human trafficking including sex trafficking, labor trafficking, forced labor, bonded labor, debt bondage, involuntary domestic servitude, forced child labor, child soldiers, child sex trafficking, child sex tourism, commercial sexual exploitation of women and children. Most data on trafficking is currently calculated through a process of extrapolation.

This project uses case law (U.S. and foreign national) to obtain data on perpetrators, victims and the patterns of these crimes within and between countries, creating victim profiles, perpetrator profiles and crime profiles. According to the U.S. Department of State, over 15,000 human trafficking cases (arrests, prosecutions, convictions) have been reported by 160 governments in the last ten years. Global Centurion has developed a unique methodology for identifying, analyzing, and coding these foreign national cases and extracting relevant data points to include in the database. Collection of the raw data is on-going (with a total of 7,000 cases from around the world collected) and will continue over the coming years.

## **DEMAND-FOCUSED EDUCATION AND AWARENESS PROJECTS**

### **I. Department of Defense Combating Trafficking in Persons (CTIP) Project**



Since 2013, Global Centurion has served as Subject Matter Expert (SME) for the U.S. Department of Defense Combating Trafficking in Persons (CTIP) Office. In that capacity, GC is assisting in the largest demand reduction training in the world. As part of DOD's 5-year Strategic Action Plan, all 3 million military personnel worldwide will be required to take the DOD's General Awareness Training.

The Training provides basic information on trafficking in persons and teaches DoD personnel how to understand the root causes of human trafficking; identify vulnerable populations; initiate preventive internal protocols; and establish response protocols to TIP allegations. In addition, GC also served as Subject Matter Expert for specialized trainings for Acquisition and Procurement Workforce (aimed at preventing trafficking in government contracts); Military Law Enforcement; and Leadership Training, as well as a Refresher Course for personnel who have already taken the General Awareness Training.



## II. Briefing on Health Consequences of Human Trafficking

The publication of GCF President Laura J. Lederer’s article on the Health Consequences of Human Trafficking in March 2014 continues to produce interest in the subject. On December 1, 2015 The Helsinki Commission in the United States Congress sponsored a Briefing on Capitol Hill to discuss the health issues suffered by foreign national victims trafficked into the United States for commercial sexual exploitation. GC provided the witnesses and the panel was made up of medical doctors, a mental health counselor and two victims who were part of our survivor health survey.



The survivors, both young women trafficked into the U.S. (one from Mexico and one from El Salvador) gave a vivid account of the injuries they suffered while they were trafficked in a brothel and forced to service 30-40 men a day. The medical professionals advocated for wrap-around care for victims, trauma-informed care and training for the medical profession to raise awareness and educate. GC has begun to advocate for a “No Wrong Door” approach to identifying victims and finding the right set of services for them.



## 2015 SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

### **OSCE Hearing on Health and Human Trafficking**

Rep Chris Smith - Rayburn Building  
Organizer  
December 1, 2015  
Washington, DC

### **Human Trafficking: A Summit to Engage Healthcare Organizations**

Sponsored by HHS/ACF and HHS/OWH  
Participant  
September 21, 2015  
Washington, D.C.

### **Southcom Directors (J-1 – J-9) Conference on Human Trafficking**

Presentation on Sex Trafficking  
September 14, 2015  
Miami, Florida

### **Colorado Human Trafficking Conference**

Denver, Colorado  
Keynote speaker  
September 11, 2015

### **Health and Human Trafficking for Health Providers Conference**

Lead Presenter  
Vanguard University, Costa Mesa, California  
July 20, 2015

### **Breaking Free Demand Change Conference**

Keynote Speaker  
One-Day Pre-Session on Health and Human Trafficking  
May 27 – 30, 2015

### **General Kelly's Roundtable on Human Rights**

SOUTHCOM, U.S. Department of Defense  
Participant  
William Perry Center, Washington, D.C.  
May 26, 2015

### **Freedom Summit on Trafficking and Civil Rights**

Key Presenter on Demand Reduction  
National Underground Railroad Museum  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
May 18 – 19, 2015

### **Department of Defense Combatting Trafficking in Persons Task Force**

Mark Center  
Alexandria, Virginia  
April 6, 2015

### **Ensure Justice Conference**

Keynote Speaker  
Costa Mesa, California  
March 6 – 7, 2016