

Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) Webinar - Youth Prevention Training -

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Agenda

Overview

LA County Prevention Efforts

Additional Prevention Training Resources for CSEC

Q&A

Overview

SB 855 (Statutes of 2014) Budget Trailer Bill that:

- Clarifies that CSEC youth come under the jurisdiction of the child welfare agency under a new WIC 300(b)(2).
- Creates a voluntary CSEC program for counties wishing to participate

Funding provided via the Budget Bill:

- \$5 million in 2014/15 for training (social workers, probation officers, foster caregivers and foster youth), and for development of county protocols
- \$14 million in 2015/16 and on-going for direct services.

Overview

CA Department of Social Services County Fiscal Letter (CFL) 14-15/32

http://www.cdss.ca.gov/lettersnotices/EntRes/getinfo/cfl/2014-15/14-15_32.pdf

- Allocated \$750,000 General Fund (GF) to county child welfare agencies for the training of foster youth to recognize and avoid commercial sexual exploitation.
- Allows for the targeting of training to youth who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation
- Funds can roll over into fiscal year 15-16 (this will be clarified).

Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) PREVENTION EFFORTS



Los Angeles County

Work in Los Angeles County

- ❖ Law Enforcement First Responder Protocol for CSEC
 - ❖ Multidisciplinary effort that avoids arrest and detention
- ❖ Internal Probation Protocols
- ❖ WestCoast Children's Clinic Screening Tool
- ❖ 211 CSEC Service Portal

Child Welfare Council CSEC Action Team

- ❖ *Ending the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children: A Call for Multi-System Collaboration*
 - ❖ Research uncovered some prevention curricula focused on girls and boys
- ❖ Guidance to counties the assist them in opting in to the CSEC Program
 - ❖ ACIN
 - ❖ Upcoming ACL
- ❖ Prevention & Training subcommittee
 - ❖ CSEC 101 training & learning objectives
 - ❖ Available on CalSWEC CSEC Toolkit Website



**WORKING TOGETHER
TO PROTECT
EXPLOITED CHILDREN**



February 2012 – January 2014

OUTCOMES

- ❖ Grant – Funded Facilitator Training, Facilitators to provide the training to the youth, gift cards, etc.
- ❖ 225 Facilitators trained
 - ❖ Wraparound Providers, Group Home Providers
After school programs, Dorothy Kirby Center
 - ❖ Less than 50 trainers facilitated the training

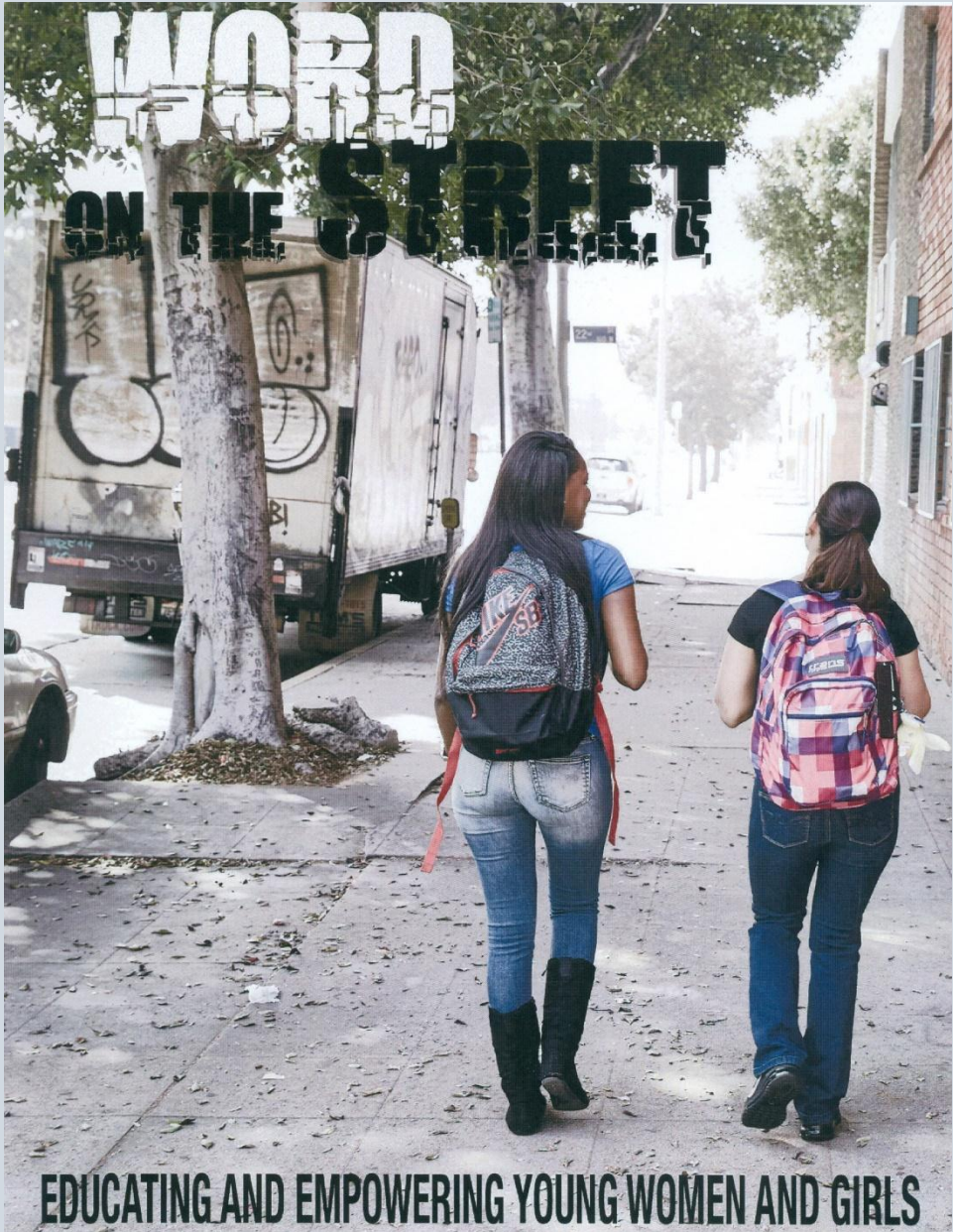
Youth Outcomes...

- ❖ 527 Youth participants
 - ❖ Less than 15% completed the 10-week curriculum
 - ❖ Average sessions = 4
 - ❖ Youth LOVED the survivor facilitators
 - ❖ Wraparound story

Sustainability Plan

- ❖ Not a T4T Model
 - ❖ Re-certify trainers / provider turnover
- ❖ 10-weeks too long for youth
- ❖ Grant funding came to an end!

*Probation lead Prevention Workgroup -
Creation of a new Prevention Curriculum



Workgroup:

- Probation Officers (CTU)
- DCFS
- Survivor-Advocates
- Advocacy Agency
- Foster Care Providers
- Alliance for Children's Rights

Start Date: June 2014

Completion Date: January 2015

Facilitator Training Kickoff – March 26-27, 2015

Participants:

- LA County
 - Foster Care Providers
 - Wraparound Providers
 - DCFS
 - Probation (DKC)
- Tulare County
- Ventura County
- San Diego County
- San Luis Obispo County



Curriculum options

- ❖ 6-week Sessions
- ❖ 1-Day Conference (5-hours)
(Large Group Homes, Hosted in the Community (e.g. School, Faith-based))
- ❖ 90-minute Juvenile Hall / School

Facilitator Guide

- Commercial sexual exploitation is a form of child abuse, and therefore, suspected or reported involvement in commercial sexual exploitation is a mandated report to Child Protective Services
- The curriculum is for CSEC prevention NOT intervention (could be used for those in Pre-contemplation/Contemplation Stage)
- Facilitators **MUST** have a minimum of 16 hours of CSEC training

- The curriculum discusses sensitive subject matter, which may be triggering for youth
- If facilitators are providing training at off-site, identify who the site point person and be sure to connect with him/her before AND after the group
- The curriculum is designed to be co-facilitated. A male can co-facilitate with a female facilitator
- The curriculum is designed for a group of 3-12 female youth between the ages of 14 – 18
- Each session should last 90 minutes

Session Overview

- Facilitator Overview

- Learning Objectives
- Material and Multimedia Needed
- Youth Overview
- Introduction – Ice Breaker
- Pre-Post Test
- Instructions for all activities
- Closing (Safety and Resources)

Safety Tips

Trust your gut! Don't get in the car!
Be aware of your surroundings!

Keep your home location private!

Don't share your personal info with everyone! *Don't go out at night by yourself!*

Stop your mobile device from tracking your steps! Stay safe in cyberspace!

Think about your social media presence!

Resource Tips

Know your options. Get to a safe place.

Contact your safe people. **211.**

Journaling

Today I learned about healthy & unhealthy relationships. I actually liked today's discussion because I'll need to know about red flags & green flags in a relationship. Amel I want to look for in a relationship if my partner is an exploiter.

today I learned about what a prostitute really is she/he is a victim or survivor I think its crazy all the things I didn't know about pimps and victims they are not prostitutes they did not choose the life they chose

Workshop Session #1

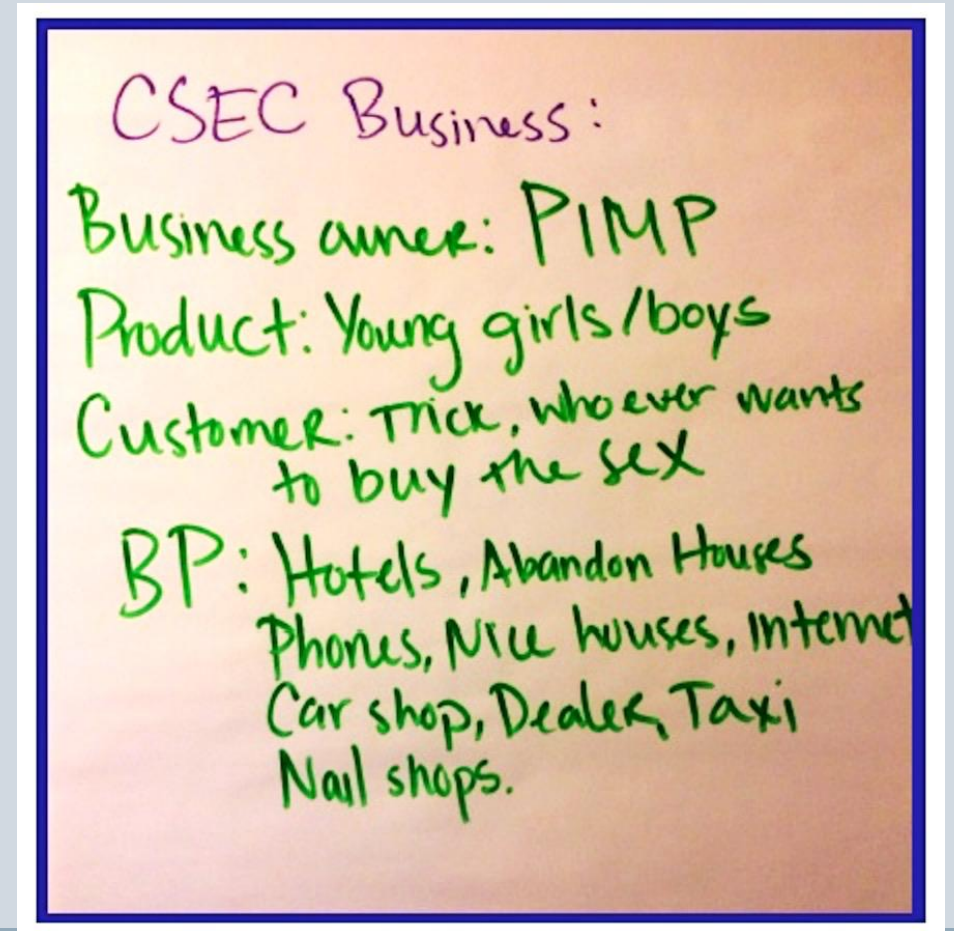
It's NOT a Game! CSEC Overview Part 1

Straight to the Facts

- Prostitute vs. CSEC Victim
- CSEC includes...
- Myths (Choice)

It's all about the Money

- Business model



Workshop Session #2

Don't Be Fooled: CSEC Overview Part 2

The Not so Glamorous Life

- Music Industry Influence

Illusions

- Advertising and the Sexualization of girls



Workshop Session #3

Could This Happen to Me? Risk Factors

Don't get Caught Up

➤ Risk Factors

Yes	Risk Factor	No
	Running Away	
	Access to the Internet	
	Poverty	
	Under 18	

Be Safe Not Sorry

➤ Internet and Social Media

"I never realized how dangerous the Internet is. It's scary to think that they are people out there taking advantage of kids."
- Workshop Participant

Workshop Session #4

Promises, Promises: Recruitment

Who are You, Really?

- Exploiters
- Tactics
- “Script”

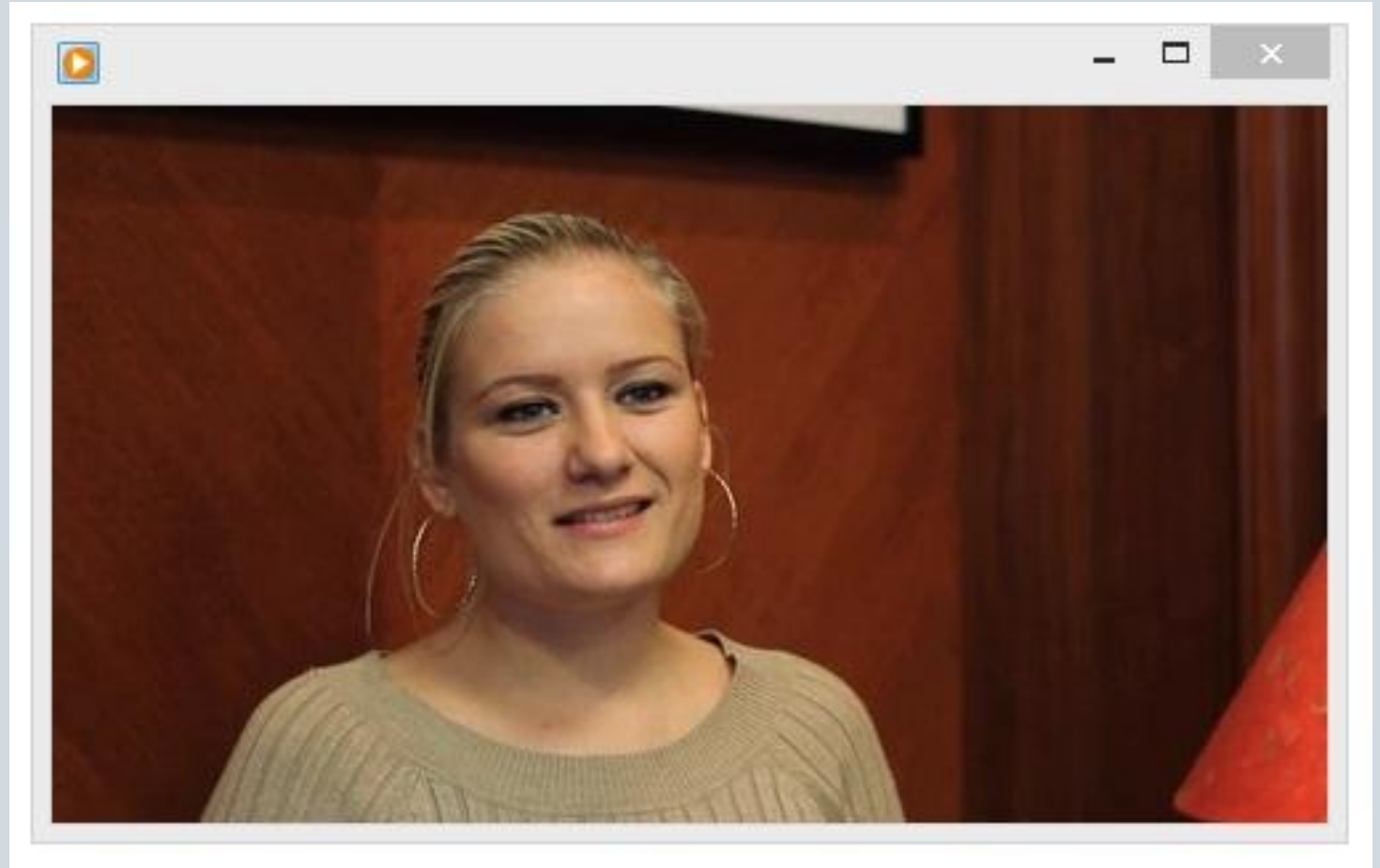


"No one talks about the abuse. All you hear about is how fun and exciting the sex and attention are and how your 'boyfriend' will take you shopping and get your hair and nails done. No one talks about the abuse."

- Workshop Participant

Survivor-Advocate Stories

Peer
Recruitment



Workshop Session #5

Love is Blind: Healthy Relationships

To Good to Be True

- “You Can Have WHATEVER You Like”

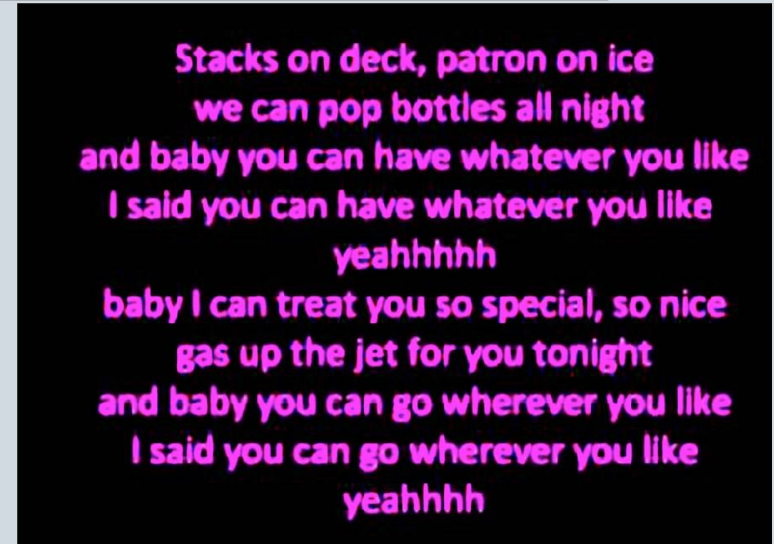
Things That Make you Go Hmmmm...

- Green, Yellow, Red Flags

*“A man twice your age shows
Interest in you”*

*“A guy you like invites you to go
to the movies on a Friday night”*

*“A guy you just met says you can
live with him if you have no where else
to go”*



Statement	Green	Yellow	Red

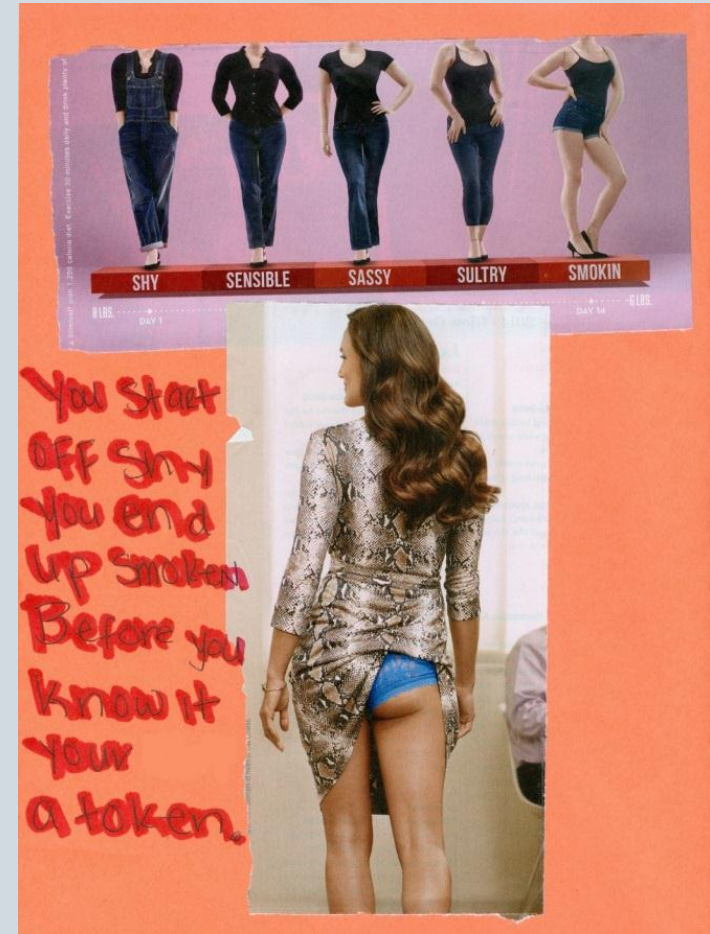
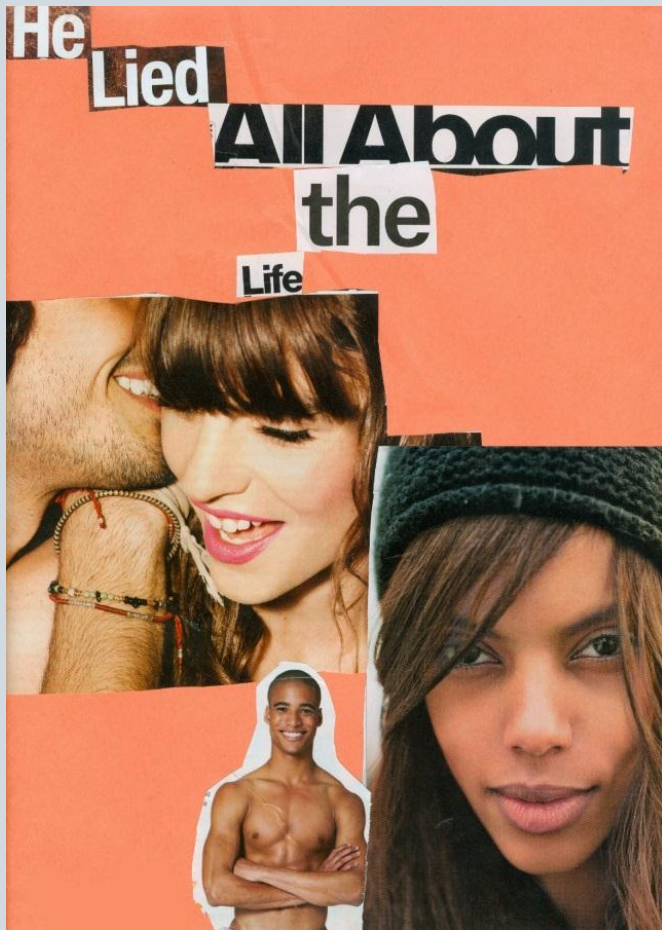
Workshop Session #6

Me, Myself, and I: Empowerment

“Word on the Street” Review

It is NOT a Game	Could This Happen to Me?	Promises, Promises	Love is Blind	Bonus
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<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>
<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>

Create a PSA



NEXT STEPS...

- ❖ Goal: 500 youth trained by July 1, 2015
- ❖ Next facilitation training in LA
 - May 11-12, 2015 *2-day Training in Oakland/SF area
 - Low cost / No cost
 - T4T for out-of-county agencies
- ❖ Curriculum translated into Spanish
- ❖ Prevention “case management” manual & youth workbook
 - ❖ Projected completion date: August 2015
- ❖ Intervention curriculum
 - ❖ Projected completion date: September 2015

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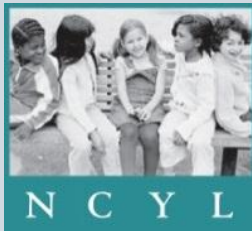


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Additional CSEC Youth Prevention Training Resources

Please refer to the attached document for additional information. They include:

1. Los Angeles County Probation Department
2. Justice Resource Institute
3. iEmphathize
4. Love Never Fails – Love Don't Hurt Curriculum
5. Kern Coalition Against Human Trafficking and Runaway Girl, Inc.
6. SECT Community Collaborative
7. Break Free & 3Strands Global, Inc.
8. Other State Trainings (Seattle & Georgia)

Questions and Answer Session

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