

IAHTI 12th Annual Conference

Event Schedule

Tue, Sep 05, 2023

12:30 PM

Exhibitor Setup

🕒 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM, Sep 5

📍 Island 2

2:30 PM

Early Registration

🕒 2:30 PM - 6:30 PM, Sep 5

📍 Grand Ballroom

Wed, Sep 06, 2023

7:00 AM

Registration

🕒 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM, Sep 6

📍 Grand Ballroom Lobby

8:30 AM

Welcome and Opening Remarks

🕒 8:30 AM - 8:45 AM, Sep 6

📍 Grand Ballroom

8:45 AM

Operation Be The Change (Part 1)

🕒 8:45 AM - 9:45 AM, Sep 6

📍 Grand Ballroom

United States vs Joseph Hazley Cook County vs Rosales

<https://www.chicagotribune.com/suburbs/daily-southtown/ct-sta-sex-trafficked-teen-murderer-plea-st-0413-20220412-dudejogm6vewzldczgs2qlrfhq-story.html>

9:45 AM

Morning Break

🕒 9:45 AM - 10:00 AM, Sep 6

📍 Island 2

10:00 AM

Operation Be The Change (Part 2)

🕒 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM, Sep 6

📍 Grand Ballroom

11:00 AM

How Operations Assessment and Technology Augmentation can Increase the Effectiveness of Trafficking Investigations and Prosecutions

🕒 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Sep 6

📍 Grand Ballroom

As more facets of communications, transactions, and interactions take place in the digital domain, the more the collection, analysis, and understanding of primary digital evidence has become critical to enabling successful human trafficking investigations. However, due to the wide range of digital evidence types, size, and complexity, it can be very human-intensive to work with evidence effectively, and the time and effort required can quickly overwhelm investigative and prosecutorial teams. This presentation will detail methods that organizations can use to identify inefficient processes and characterize capability gaps within their operations, in order to determine where and how technical capabilities can be used to increase effectiveness. Additionally, a novel model for prototyping solutions to address emergent analysis gaps within the context of active trafficking investigations will be detailed, and several examples will illustrate how this can be a powerful process for agile support to investigations.

Presentation by Matthew Daggett of the
Massachusetts Institute of Technology Lincoln Laboratory.

 Speaker



Matthew Daggett
MIT Lincoln Laboratory

NCMEC (Breakout Session) Island 1

 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Sep 6

 Island 1

Financial Tool: TRAC (Breakout Session)

 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Sep 6

 Coastal Room

Rich

12:00 PM

Lunch

 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, Sep 6

1:00 PM

Agricultural Labor Trafficking Case Study (Plenary Session)

 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM, Sep 6

 Grand Ballroom

Between 2016 and 2023, FBI Miami, HSI Miami and the Palm Beach County Human Trafficking Task Force (HTTF) investigated allegations that BLADIMIR MORENO and co-conspirators (operating as farm labor contractor Los Villatoros Harvesting) recruited and trafficked workers from rural parts of Mexico under the H2A program for agricultural labor in Palm Beach, Collier, and Hardee counties in Florida, as well as in other locales throughout Georgia, Missouri, Mississippi, Indiana, and Kentucky. Victim workers were recruited under false pretenses of good wages and working conditions. However, the workers' passports and documents were confiscated upon arrival in the US, and workers were confined at times and paid far less than promised (or not at all) under threats of deportation and harm to victims' families in Mexico. Workers were made to work in locations and on taskings that were other than provided to the US DOL and US CIS, suggesting visa fraud and fraud in foreign labor trafficking. This case was the first of its kind in the US, in the charging and convicting a RICO Conspiracy relating to an agricultural forced labor scheme.

This case study presentation (to be co-presented by Trial Attorneys from the DOJ's Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit) will highlight how traffickers can exploit the H2A visa process while exploiting vulnerable foreign nationals, and will also focus on best practices learned from this agricultural labor trafficking case, to include leveraging inter-agency cooperation, use of Continued Presence, and strong victim advocacy.

Owner of Farm Labor Company Sentenced to 118 Months in Prison for Leading a Multi-State Conspiracy Involving Forced Labor of Mexican Farm Workers

| OPA | Department of Justice

<https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/owner-farm-labor-company-sentenced-118-months-prison-leading-multi-state-conspiracy-involving>

<https://www.miamiherald.com/article272262388.html>

Pete Angell - FBI

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Crime Analyst Presentation (Breakout Session)

🕒 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM, Sep 6

📍 Island 1

Joe Murrehee

A Community Human Trafficking Model in Action - (Breakout Session)

🕒 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM, Sep 6

📍 Coastal Room

Baltimore City's "Blue Dot Human Trafficking Initiative"

Interactive Crime Scene (Breakout Session)

🕒 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM, Sep 6

📍 Conch Room (6th Floor)

2:30 PM

Afternoon Break

🕒 2:30 PM - 2:45 PM, Sep 6

📍 Island 2

2:45 PM

Coercive Love (Plenary Session)

🕒 2:45 PM - 4:15 PM, Sep 6

📍 Grand Ballroom

Bender and Jane

Interactive Crime Scene (Breakout Session)

🕒 2:45 PM - 4:15 PM, Sep 6

📍 Conch Room (6th Floor)

Melissa Kaiser (Breakout Session)

🕒 2:45 PM - 4:15 PM, Sep 6

📍 Island 1

4:15 PM

Break

🕒 4:15 PM - 4:20 PM, Sep 6

4:20 PM

DHS Center for Countering Human Trafficking (Plenary Session)

🕒 4:20 PM - 5:00 PM, Sep 6

📍 Grand Ballroom

6:00 PM

Welcome Reception

🕒 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Sep 6

📍 Pool Lawn

Thu, Sep 07, 2023

7:30 AM

Morning Coffee

🕒 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM, Sep 7

📍 Island 2

Grab a cup of coffee in Island II while checking out the exhibitor booths

8:30 AM

Opening remarks

🕒 8:30 AM - 8:45 AM, Sep 7

📍 Grand Ballroom

8:45 AM

Uganda vs. Mpagi-Didas Case Study (LEO Only) (Plenary Session)

🕒 8:45 AM - 10:15 AM, Sep 7

📍 Grand Ballroom

The defendant, Bakulu Mpagi-Didas (Mpagi) was the headmaster of a primary boarding school and a minister in a rural area of Uganda, East Africa. He introduced a sponsorship program to benefit needy children whose families could not afford tuition and solicited donations from sponsors around the world to pay for the children's tuition.

Mpagi had a great reputation in the community for his humanitarian efforts and convinced many parents to send their children, especially young boys, to his school. Once enrolled in his school, he groomed the students by developing close relationships with them, having many of them call him "dad", and "taught" them what he referred to as "sex education" where he would tell erotic stories and love stories to the children. After the grooming period, the defendant would sexually abuse the children. An older child eventually disclosed to a female employee at the school, and police began an investigation, resulting in a 12 Count Indictment with 6 counts of Aggravated Trafficking in Children and 6 counts of Aggravated Defilement. The investigation revealed the defendant abused at least 13 male children, and preferred victims between the age of 8-12. HTI supported prosecutors and law enforcement in the investigation and prosecution of this case, resulting in the first natural life sentence for a trafficker in the country of Uganda. This case is a wonderful example of collaborative efforts to combat human trafficking on a global scale, and highlights the need to implement the rule of law in areas where vulnerable populations are ripe for exploitation.

Rebuilding Lives - Breakout Session (Edit name)

🕒 8:45 AM - 10:15 AM, Sep 7

📍 Coastal Room

Telisia

Multi-Disciplinary Team Interviews (Breakout Session) (David Weiss and Melissa Kaiser)

🕒 8:45 AM - 10:15 AM, Sep 7

📍 Coastal Room

10:15 AM

Morning Break

🕒 10:15 AM - 10:30 AM, Sep 7

📍 Island 2

10:30 AM

All Roads Lead to Flushing (Plenary Session) (LEO only)

🕒 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM, Sep 7

📍 Grand Ballroom

Chad Opitz

Shamere and Jane (Breakout Session) Island 1

🕒 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM, Sep 7

📍 Island 1

Bender and Jane

Pennsylvania State Police case study - (Breakout Session)

🕒 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM, Sep 7

📍 Coastal Room

Throughout the investigation law enforcement learned this sex trafficking organization operated between multiple states between 2014-2017. Multiple victims were identified at various times throughout the investigation. Approximately 6 victims cooperated.

-Shell companies were also utilized – Adriana’s Angels – for money laundering.

-Victims had sex with approximately 20-30 men a day.

-Victims generated millions of dollars for the traffickers.

-Threats of violence and physical acts of violence were used to get victims to comply.

-Drug use/addiction was also used to get the victims to comply.

-Traffickers and victims had contact with law enforcement agencies in multiple states.

“The defendants lined their pockets by preying on vulnerable women and subjecting them to sex trafficking,” said Attorney General Josh Shapiro in an email statement. “The defendants then used drugs, violence, and threats to control their victims. I applaud the hard work of the Pennsylvania State Police with assistance from local law enforcement to uncover this human trafficking ring. Their efforts laid the groundwork for our prosecution, and today justice was delivered to the victims.”

Interactive Crime Scene (Breakout Session)

🕒 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM, Sep 7

📍 Conch Room (6th Floor)

12:00 PM

Lunch

🕒 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, Sep 7

1:00 PM

Trauma Informed Interviewing (Plenary Session)

🕒 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM, Sep 7

📍 Grand Ballroom

*****NCMEC Gang Presentation*** (Breakout Session) ???**

🕒 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM, Sep 7

📍 Island 1

Jeanne Allert (Breakout Session)

🕒 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM, Sep 7

📍 Coastal Room

Interactive Crime Scene (Breakout Session)

🕒 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM, Sep 7

📍 Conch Room (6th Floor)

3:00 PM

Afternoon Break

🕒 3:00 PM - 3:15 PM, Sep 7

📍 Island 2

3:15 PM

R. Kelly Case Study

🕒 3:15 PM - 4:45 PM, Sep 7

📍 Grand Ballroom

*****TBD*** (Breakout Session)**

🕒 3:15 PM - 4:45 PM, Sep 7

📍 Island 1

4:45 PM

Motel 6

🕒 4:45 PM - 5:00 PM, Sep 7

📍 Grand Ballroom

Fri, Sep 08, 2023

7:00 AM

Luggage Storage

🕒 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM, Sep 8

📍 Island 2

Attendees can place luggage in Island II before the day begins.

7:30 AM

Morning Coffee

🕒 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM, Sep 8

📍 Island 2

Grab a cup of coffee in Island II while checking out the exhibitor booths

8:30 AM

Burnout? (LEO ONLY Presentation)

🕒 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM, Sep 8

📍 Grand Ballroom

Burnout affects millions of Americans each year and has been called “the disease of our civilization.” The unhappiness and detachment burnout causes can threaten your job, your relationships, and your health. **But there’s good news -- burnout can be healed.** Former 20-year elected **District Attorney, MARK YARBROUGH**, from Littlefield, Texas (hometown of Waylon Jennings), personally experienced burnout, learned how to successfully overcome it, and went from “Burnout” to “On Fire!” He has since become a “burnout expert” and has written and published on the subject. Mark is a very entertaining, motivating and inspiring speaker. He has taught **thousands** of people how to overcome Burnout -- from companies like **Blue Bell Ice Cream and Xcel Energy**, to teachers and doctors/nurses, to a variety of government workers (police officers, CPS workers, attorneys, victim’s rights advocates, counselors, mental health professionals, etc.). Audience members will learn the definition of Burnout and the symptoms thereof. But more importantly, attendees will **be laughing, and at the same time learning** how to apply Mark’s F.I.N.G.E.R. philosophy to help themselves or their co-workers avoid and/or recover from Burnout. This is a training that you won’t want to miss!

Mark DiBona - (Breakout Session for NGOs and VSP)

🕒 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM, Sep 8

📍 Island 1

Writing it right - (Breakout Session)

🕒 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM, Sep 8

📍 Coastal Room

Bender and Jane

10:00 AM

Morning Break

🕒 10:00 AM - 10:15 AM, Sep 8

📍 Island 2

Enjoy a coffee, hot tea or soda before going back for the final presentation.

10:15 AM

The Bottom Girl Phenomenon (Plenary Session)

🕒 10:15 AM - 12:15 PM, Sep 8

📍 Grand Ballroom

Shamere Mckenzie

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12:15 PM

Closing Remarks and Course Certificates

🕒 12:15 PM - 12:30 PM, Sep 8

📍 Grand Ballroom