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Overview

- FTA's Human Trafficking Awareness and Public Safety Initiative
- U.S. DOT's Transportation Leaders Against Human Trafficking Initiative
- FTA's Enhanced Transit Safety and Crime Prevention Initiative
- Awareness and resources



In 2012, the U.S. Department of Transportation formed the Transportation Leaders Against Human Trafficking (TLAHT) initiative



Goals: Industry education, public awareness, outreach, research and technical assistance

In January 2020, \$5.36 million in grants were awarded for FTA's Human Trafficking Awareness and Public Safety Initiative

Initiative Programs

- Initiative funded through Public Transportation Innovation Program and Technical Assistance and Workforce Development Program (49 U.S.C. §§ 5312 and 5314)
- Funds 24 projects (\$5.36 million):
 - 3 Crime Prevention and Public Safety Awareness (CPPSA) cooperative agreements (\$2 million)
 - 21 Innovations in Transit Public Safety (ITPS) grants (\$3.36 million)

Link: <u>Human Trafficking Awareness & Public Safety Initiative Grant and</u> <u>Cooperative Agreement Selections | FTA (dot.gov)</u>

CPPSA Cooperative Agreements

- Support for public safety awareness campaigns that promote practices to improve public safety
- Develop and disseminate educational materials supporting public safety awareness campaigns for transit systems, including crime prevention and human trafficking
- Example: End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purpose-USA (ECPAT-USA)



ITPS Grants

- Support to develop innovative projects and measures to address public safety in transit systems, including crime prevention, operator assault, and human trafficking
- Projects awarded grants identified innovative solutions to:
 - Reduce or eliminate human trafficking on transit systems
 - Protect transit operators from the risk of assault
 - Reduce crime on public transit vehicles and facilities

FTA's Enhanced Transit Safety and Crime Prevention Initiative

Provides the transit industry with information and resources:

- Highlight funding sources for crime prevention, and safety and security equipment (e.g., Sections 5307, 5311, 5337, 5339 funding)
- Training
- Factsheet on using National Transit
 Database safety and security data



Awareness

Combating Human Trafficking on Transit: Raising Awareness for Transit Agencies



FTA's Human Trafficking Educational Video

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- <u>FTA's Human Trafficking Awareness and Public Safety Initiative</u> web page
- <u>U.S. DOT's Transportation Leaders Against Human Trafficking</u> web page
- <u>Enhanced Transit Safety and Crime Prevention Initiative</u> web page
 - <u>Enhanced Transit Safety and Crime Prevention Initiative FTA Funding Sources</u>
 <u>Factsheet</u>
 - Accessing and Using National Transit Database Safety and Security Event Data Guide

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