Inhospitable to Human Trafficking

Hotel Safety and Security in Spokane County

Davenport Hotel, Downtown Spokane

Thursday, February 27, 2014, 1:00 to 4:30pm

1:00 to 2:15pm Introductory Training Only

1:00 to 4:30pm Introductory & Advanced Training

A young woman in Spokane Valley claimed that she was forced into prostitution in area hotels by four men who held her and several other young girls captive in a house in Spokane Valley. She claimed that her captors advertised her for sexual services online, drove her to local hotels, and gave her instructions she had to obey. She claimed to have been beaten and intimidated into staying with her captors, afraid that she would 'end up dead' if she left. She managed to escape after one year and reported her experience to law enforcement, which quickly launched an investigation.

Inhospitable to Trafficking

Traffickers are using all types of lodging establishments to profit from the sexual exploitation of vulnerable youth and adults. Victims in Spokane County have been found in economy motels and luxury hotels, in outlying areas and in our downtowns. Unfortunately, *no hotel is immune from this crime*. The crime impacts hotels by posing safety risks, legal risks, and risks to property and reputation.

Training Benefits

BEST's recommended practices for making lodging establishments Inhospitable to Trafficking have been created and vetted with the help of hospitality leaders, hospitality attorneys, law enforcement officers, prosecuting attorneys, and service providers. Leaders in Spokane County have met over several months to adapt practices for the specific needs of our community. The training is divided into two parts:

1:00 to 2:15pm: Introductory Training for Hotel Staff

- Learn about sex trafficking in Spokane County and how it involves lodging establishments.
- Learn to recognize indicators of trafficking and prostitution in lodging establishments.

1:00 to 4:30pm: Introductory & Advanced Training for Hotel Managers/Owners & Law Enforcement Officers

- Learn what number to call for a law enforcement response, how to encourage a timely and discrete response, and what to expect if law enforcement intervenes.
- Protect guests and staff from unnecessary suspicion of wrong-doing by learning steps to take before contacting law enforcement.
- Learn to easily establish brand-appropriate policies and practices to mitigate legal risks.
- Learn what information hoteliers can share when law enforcement initiates any type of criminal investigation without a warrant.
- Gain resources for educating hotel staff and law enforcement officers about human trafficking.
- Receive training to access a secure, members-only website for sharing real-time information about suspected criminal activity *before* it travels into your hotel or your community.

While this training is focused on sex trafficking prevention, the knowledge and resources participants will gain will help to prevent and address a much broader spectrum of crimes.

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Who May Attend?

The Introductory Training is designed for all hotel employees.

The Intro & Advanced Training is designed for law enforcement officers and owners and managers of lodging establishments, especially those overseeing functions of the hotel impacted by human trafficking, including:

- General Manager(s)
- Front Desk Manager(s)
- Bar/Restaurant Manager(s)
- Security Manager(s)
- Housekeeping Manager(s)
- Other Hotel Employees

BEST recognizes the sensitive nature of this issue, *the training is only open to lodging establishments, law enforcement, and BEST-designated attendees.*

Cost of Registration

BEST is a non-profit organization. The registration fee helps BEST to recover a portion of our training costs. If the fees are prohibitive, please contact us to request discounted fees.

Early Bird Registration (through Thursday, February 13)

$10/person: Introductory Training for hotel staff, managers, and law enforcement
$49/person: Introductory and Advanced Training for hotel managers and law enforcement
($45/person for SHMA members)

Pre-Registration (Friday, February 14 to Monday, February 24)

$15/person: Introductory Training for hotel staff, managers, and law enforcement
$69/person: Introductory and Advanced Training for hotel managers and law enforcement
($59/person for SHMA members)

Registration, Day of Event (Thursday, February 27)

$25/person: Introductory Training for hotel staff, managers, and law enforcement
$99/person: Introductory and Advanced Training for hotel managers and law enforcement

How to Register

Please fill out the attached form and mail to BEST, P.O. Box 14512, Seattle, WA 98114. Or register online: **http://best5.bpt.me** (minimal processing fee may apply).

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Inhospitable to Trafficking Training
Registration Form
February 27, 2014

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Contact Name _____

Contact Title _____

Name of Company/Agency _____

Address of Company/Agency _____

Contact Email Address _____

Contact Phone Number _____

Contact Address (if different from company address): _____

Attendees

Job Title	Attendee Name	Attendee Email
☐ General Manager		
☐ Security Manager		
☐ Front Desk Manager		
☐ Housekeeping Manager		
☐ Bar/Restaurant Manager		
☐ Law Enforcement Officer		
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	Early Bird Registration until Feb.13	**Pre-Registration** Feb. 14 to Feb. 24	**Number of Attendees**	**Price**
Introductory Training 1:00-2:15pm	☐ $10/person	☐ $15/person	_____	$_____
Introductory and Advanced Training 1:00-4:30pm	☐ $49/person ☐ $45/SHMA members	☐ $69/person ☐ $59/SHMA members	_____	$_____
			TOTAL PRICE	$_____

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