

POLICY GOAL 3.1 State law mandates a process for coordinating access to specialized services for child sex trafficking victims that does not require involvement in child-serving systems.

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| Alabama | No | No | No | N/A |
| Alaska | No | No | No | N/A |
| Arizona | No | No | No | N/A |
| Arkansas | No | No | Yes | The Department of Human Services is required to develop a statewide referral protocol to support the coordination and delivery of services to CSE children. |
| California | No | Yes | No | Unspecified services through family justice centers. |
| Colorado | No | No | No | N/A |
| Connecticut | No | No | No | N/A |
| Delaware | No | No | Yes | The Human Trafficking Interagency Coordinating Council is required to “develop a comprehensive plan to provide victims of human trafficking with services.” |
| District of Columbia | No | No | No | N/A |
| Florida | No | No | No | N/A |
| Georgia | No | No | No | N/A |
| Hawaii | No | Yes | No | The Office of Youth Services is required to established youth services centers, designed to provide mental health services and programs, substance abuse treatment programs, crisis shelters for homeless youth, crisis shelters for victims of human and sex trafficking, vocational training, group homes, day |

¹ Evaluations of state laws are based on legislation enacted as of August 1, 2022. For more information on the importance of this policy goal, please visit <https://reportcards.sharedhope.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/2022-Issue-Briefs-3.1.pdf>.

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| | | | | treatment programs, aftercare, independent and family counseling services, educational services, and other services and programs. |
| Idaho | No | No | No | N/A |
| Illinois | No | No | No | N/A |
| Indiana | No | No | No | N/A |
| Iowa | No | No | No | N/A |
| Kansas | No | No | No | N/A |
| Kentucky | No | No | No | N/A |
| Louisiana | No | Yes | No | Unspecified services through family justice centers. |
| Maine | No | No | No | N/A |
| Maryland | Yes | N/A | N/A | Services provided through the Safe Harbor Regional Navigator Grant Program include: safety planning, emergency response, basic living needs (excluding housing), trauma counseling and mental health services, drug and alcohol abuse treatment, legal services, victim advocacy, and case management. |
| Massachusetts | No | No | No | N/A |
| Michigan | No | No | No | N/A |
| Minnesota | Yes | N/A | N/A | Services provided through the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Youth program are unspecified but, at a minimum, include community-based support services that are “accessible and adequate for sexually exploited youth.” |
| Mississippi | No | No | No | N/A |
| Missouri | No | No | No | N/A |
| Montana | No | No | No | N/A |
| Nebraska | No | No | No | N/A |
| Nevada | Yes | N/A | N/A | Receiving centers are required to provide outpatient care services, including: mental health triage, assessment of medical needs, psychiatric evaluation, referral for detoxification, short-term placement, mobile crisis response, academic support, preventative services for children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, and therapeutic treatment to assist the child |

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| | | | | in safely transitioning to a home-based environment. |
| New Hampshire | No | No | No | N/A |
| New Jersey | No | No | No | N/A |
| New Mexico | No | No | No | N/A |
| New York | No | No | No | N/A |
| North Carolina | No | No | No | N/A |
| North Dakota | No | No | No | N/A |
| Ohio | No | No | No | N/A |
| Oklahoma | No | No | No | N/A |
| Oregon | No | No | No | N/A |
| Pennsylvania | No | No | No | N/A |
| Rhode Island | No | No | Yes | The Council on Human Trafficking is required to develop a “comprehensive plan to provide victims with services.” The Council may also “make a grant or contract with a unit or state or local government, or nongovernmental victim’s services organizations to develop and expand service programs for victims.” |
| South Carolina | Yes | N/A | N/A | Unspecified specialized services available through a certified specialized service providers and the Human Trafficking Acute Crisis Care and Resource Centers. |
| South Dakota | No | No | No | N/A |
| Tennessee | No | No | No | N/A |
| Texas | Yes | N/A | N/A | The Governor’s Program for Victims of Child Sex Trafficking is designed to provide individualized, comprehensive services, facilitated by the development of a “customized package of services to fit the victim’s immediate and long-term rehabilitation and treatment needs . . . address[ing] all aspects of the medical, psychiatric, psychological, safety, and housing needs of victims” in collaboration with local service providers. The Trafficked Persons Grant Program supports the provision of dedicated housing and treatment facilities, including “wraparound services to facilitate a continuity of care” |

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| Utah | No | No | No | N/A |
| Vermont | No | No | No | N/A |
| Virginia | No | No | Yes | The Sex Trafficking Response Coordinator is tasked with developing a “statewide plan for local and state agencies to identify and respond to victims of sex trafficking.” |
| Washington | Yes | N/A | N/A | Specialized services are available through two receiving centers, which are required to provide for the immediate needs or refer CSE children to appropriate services, “assess mental health and substance disorder needs and provide appropriate referrals, and deliver individual and group counseling focused on developing and strengthening coping skills, and improving self-esteem and dignity.” The Department of Commerce’s Office of Crime Victims Advocacy is required to provide grants to fund pilot projects to ensure the provision of wraparound services for indigenous survivors of sex trafficking. |
| West Virginia | No | No | No | N/A |
| Wisconsin | No | No | No | N/A |
| Wyoming | No | No | No | N/A |
| Totals: | 6 states <i>mandate</i> access to specialized services outside of a child-serving system. | 3 other states <i>authorize</i> access to specialized services outside of a child-serving system. | 4 other states <i>mandate</i> development of a plan for coordinating access to specialized services outside of a child-serving system. | |