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MCEDSV, founded in 1979, is a Coalition of 73 victim services agencies across the state.

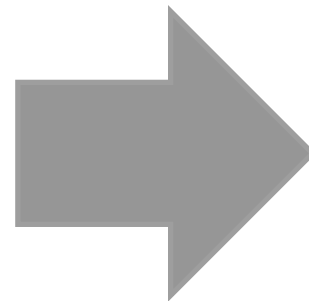
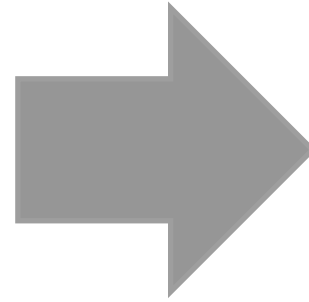
In 2012 we began a collaborative project with the Human Trafficking Clinic at the University of Michigan Law School and added human trafficking work to our mission.

Since then the project has:

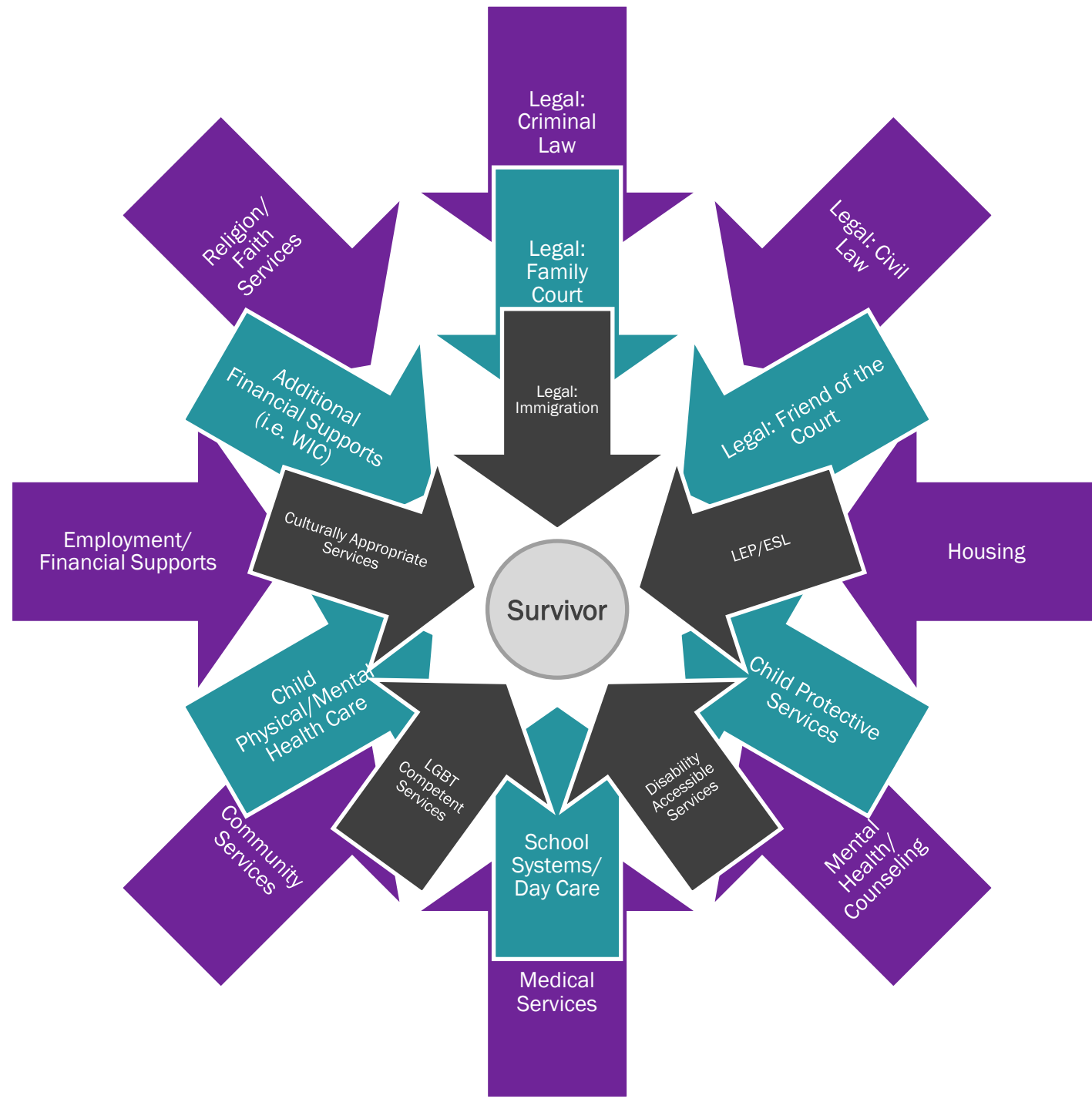
- helped hundreds of victims;
  - created a national toolkit for serving trafficking victims;
  - provided trainings across the state and nationally for victim service providers, prosecutors, judges and law enforcement.
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DV/SA ADVOCACY

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- Survivor-centered
- Trauma sensitive
- Recognizes patterns of power and control
- Offers choices and resources without judgement
- Requires community partnerships



Shame or guilt

Fear of retaliation

Fear of arrest or  
deportation

Lack of transportation or  
controlled movement

Fear of a report to social  
services

Lack of understanding of  
the systems

- Meet Basic Needs
- Reassure the Potential Survivor
- Build Trust and Rapport
- Language Matters
- Remain Sensitive to Power Dynamics
- Avoid Re-Traumatization

# INDUSTRIES

## Labor Trafficking

Domestic Service  
Sweat Shops/Factories  
Panhandling  
Agricultural work  
Mining  
Restaurants  
Beauty Industry  
Construction sites

## Sex Trafficking

Massage Parlors  
Brothels (commercial and residential)  
Strip Clubs  
Escort Services  
Porn/Live sex shows

# A HUMAN-RIGHTS BASED APPROACH TO TRAINING

Fundamental to a rights-based approach is the core concept of “strengthening the capacities of rights holders [the trafficking survivors] to secure their rights”.

Therefore, the medical education of healthcare professionals should be grounded in a victim-centered, culturally-relevant, evidence-based, gender-sensitive, trauma-informed perspective, and also include the essential components of prevention and identification of trafficking, along with the treatment of trafficking-related health conditions.





# TRAINING FOR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

In 2015, the Michigan legislature required that all medical professionals receive training on human trafficking to identify and address the physical and mental health effects of human trafficking. *MCL 333.16148 & 333.*

Victims of human trafficking interact with the health care system before, during, and after the period of victimization. These encounters provide health care professionals the opportunity and the responsibility to play a critical role in identifying and preventing human trafficking, and treating conditions resulting from it.



# RECOMMENDED BASIC TRAININGS FOR ANYONE ENGAGING WITH VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING

- Applicable laws and definitions
- Quality service delivery & referral
- Neurobiology of Trauma
- Trauma informed interviewing/Cycle of Mistrust
- Integration of systems- understanding the gaps
- Trauma Informed Care
- Safety Planning/Crisis Intervention
- Specific Populations- Persons with a Disability/LGBT/Tribal

# MCEDSV HUMAN TRAFFICKING TOOLKIT-PUBLISHED 2020

**Together with UM, MCEDSV wrote the toolkit to:**

- Provide a Standard of Care for Service Delivery**
- Create a roadmap for DV/SA Providers to serve trafficking victims**
- Provide context for special populations for human trafficking**

**<https://mcedsv.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/MCEDSV-HTT-3.12.21-Updated.pdf>**



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