

# Human Trafficking Update

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# January is National Human Trafficking Awareness Month



- January 11<sup>th</sup> is recognized as Human Trafficking Awareness Day
- Social media campaign #WearBlueDay

# Human Trafficking

- Global issue
- Utah has the 8th highest reported cases when compared to the top 10 states per capita
- Granite School District was awarded the Human Trafficking Youth Prevention Education (HTYPE) Demonstration Grant (3 year Grant)
- Only 8 national organizations were awarded the grant
- First federal program specifically designed to educate & build resiliency to human trafficking in children and youth within our schools



# Our Program

- State/ Federal approved curriculum that will focus on 5th, 7th, 9th & 11th grade students
- Focus on awareness and prevention education
- All district personnel will complete the Human Trafficking Prevention Education learning module (Utah Legislative S.B. 198) *currently we have had (2,134) complete the module training*
- Outreach to families and community partners to teach the prevention and identification of children in crisis and how to safely intervene
- Establish a coordinated response to Human Trafficking School Safety Protocols (HTSSP) with Law Enforcement and other service organizations ensuring an effective response



# Timeline

Project completion  
Anticipated Date  
July 2023

## September 2020

- Grant Awarded
- We are in our 2nd year



3 Strands Global Foundation/PROTECT was instrumental in developing the curriculum & Protocols

## September 2021

- HTYPE Curriculum approved by OTIP (Office of Trafficking In Persons)

## November 2021

- Protocols Approved by OTIP (Office of Trafficking In Persons)

## December 2021

- Protocol training for the chiefs of police (GSD, Murray PD, South Salt Lake, Taylorsville, Sheriff Unified, Magna, West Valley)

## January 2022

- TOT training for Counselors & Social workers, Cottonwood/Granger Network (55 participants)

## Feb 2022 - July 2023

- TOT for all Networks
- Collect data
- Collaboration w/outside agencies
- Curriculum taught in all schools





Questions/Comments/Feedback

