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# The Sheltered Guide 08/11/21

Hello Alliance Members,

After a year and a half of the pandemic, we felt now would be the time to check-in about the **landscape of human trafficking.** With increased online activity and limitations on social interactions, exploitation continues to occur, thus affecting all of our Alliance Members. Here's a look at trends and information available about Covid's impact on the field:

- The Public Health Impact of Coronavirus Disease on Human Trafficking (Jordan Greenbaum, Hanni Stoklosa & Laura Murphy, 2020) This article describes the ways the pandemic has increased human trafficking in families, for economic reasons and due to limitations of healthcare providers. It also discusses what healthcare providers can do to evaluate possible victims via telemedicine.
- Human Trafficking During a Pandemic: What We Can Learn From a
   Snapshot in Time (Polaris, 2021) A blog post elaborating on both labor and sex
   trafficking and the changes since the pandemic, including a greater shift
   towards virtual exploitation.
- The Effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Trafficking in Persons and Responses to the Challenges (UN Office on Drugs and Crime, 2021) Promising practices are included in this extensive report which provides a global perspective of the field and COVID's impact.
- The 2021 Trafficking In Persons Report (NTSA, 2021) NTSA's brief article breaks down this year's TIP Report and how NTSA and our members contributed to its content.

We'd love to hear what practices have proven best for your organizations, reach out to us at **membership@shelteredalliance.org** so we can share tips & tricks for post-pandemic education, outreach and treatment.

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Greenlight Operation (PA)
Key2Free (TX)
Hookers for Jesus (NV)
Dear Dinah (OH)
Scarlet Hope (multi-site)

## **Membership Reminder**



### **Accreditation Update - <u>Attention Verified Members!</u>**

Many of you went through NTSA's Member Verification a couple of years ago; in many ways that was a precursor to our new Accreditation program we are launching this October! Be sure to read the full announcement in the **Groups' News & Events Dashboard**.

**Email Us Today** 



We are less than 75 days away from Sheltered Virtual! Be sure to **register ASAP** and use your member promo code **NTSAMEMBER** at check-out for an additional 20% off!

If you have a **social enterprise** take advantage of the **Exhibitor** feature (you get 2 full access tickets!) and get a 50% member discount with promo code **2021EXHIBITOR**.

We would love to spotlight a **home-made** "Behind The Scenes" video tour of your residential program! Send a 3-5 minute **selfie video** capturing the cheerful spirit of your organization which will be shared in between the live presentations! **Deadline is August** 

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