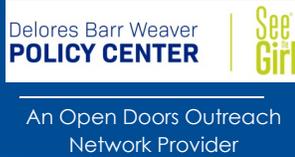


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### OVERVIEW

In Florida's Northeast Region, the Open Doors Outreach Network is an innovative program of Voices for Florida in partnership with Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center. It is a 24/7 network of care for victims and survivors of commercial sexual exploitation and trafficking ages 10-24.

### PURPOSE

Florida ranks third in the nation for reports of human trafficking. Despite Florida's passage of the Safe Harbor Act in 2012, gaps in services for victims remained. To close these gaps, enhance coordination and improve care, Voices for Florida, in partnership with Children's Home Society, began piloting the Open Doors Outreach Network in Northeast Florida in July 2017.

### SERVICE AREAS/ TO MAKE A REFERRAL

Nassau, Duval, St. Johns, Baker, and Clay counties, please call **(904) 412-8923** anytime, day or night.

### 24/7/365 MODEL OF CARE

Utilizing promising best practices and advances gleaned from translational research, trauma-competent services are provided 24/7/365 by Outreach Teams consisting of one or more: Survivor-Mentor, Regional Advocate and Clinician. Together, the team builds trusting relationships with victims, develops and provides treatment plans, makes connections with community services and creates public awareness and partnerships.

### KEY PRINCIPLES OF THE MODEL INCLUDE:

**VICTIM-CENTERED** Preventing re-traumatization by ensuring victims have self-determination and gain access to services in accordance to their needs and wishes – rather than being forced.

**SURVIVOR-LED** Survivor-Mentors, who have experienced trauma themselves, are able to further elevate the voice of those being served.

**COORDINATED NETWORK** Services are standardized among all 32 counties being served. Services follow the survivor if they move throughout the network regions, creating seamless transition of care plans.

**CROSS-SECTOR COLLABORATION** Services provided are often based on partnerships with other agencies and sectors, including DCF, DJJ, DOH, law enforcement, etc. This approach allows Outreach Teams to work collaboratively to identify gaps and leverage existing resources to best meet clients' needs.



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#### ABOUT VOICES FOR FLORIDA

As the backbone organization for the Open Doors Outreach Network, Voices for Florida guides vision and strategy, advances policy, mobilizes resources, cultivates community engagement, establishes and supports aligned activities and institutes meaningful measurements for improvement.

Voices for Florida has a 43-year history of social innovation and system reform benefiting children and families. Over the decades, Voices for Florida in partnership with others helped envision and support a diversity of statewide program coalitions including: the Florida Network of Youth and Family Services, Healthy Start, Ounce of Prevention Fund and Healthy Families and Early Steps. The most recent advancement to be brought forward is the Open Doors Outreach Network.

#### ABOUT THE DELORES BARR WEAVER POLICY CENTER

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The Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center was established in 2013 to address the policies and practices that lead to the disparate treatment of girls and young women impacted by the justice system. Dr. Lawanda Ravoira, President and CEO of the Policy Center, envisioned the Open Doors model with Mr. Roy Miller, President of The Children's Campaign. In addition to serving as an Open Doors direct service provider in Northeast FL, the Policy Center elevates the lived experiences of girls to advance systemic reform through a multi-pronged approach that includes research, training, advocacy and direct services to girls and their families.

To make a referral to the DBWPC Open Doors Outreach Team  
in the Northeast Region, contact (904) 412-8923

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