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30th Alliance Offers First of Its Kind Training

The 30th Judicial District Alliance Domestic Violence-Sexual Assault, Inc. announces that it will be hosting human trafficking training on February 20th and 21st for the western mountain region. The two, one-day seminars are scheduled in Jackson County and Cherokee County, and are free of charge. Continuing education units will be available for law enforcement officers.

Seminar details:

February 20th - Southwestern Community College, Myers Auditorium, 10AM- 3PM

February 21st-Tri-County Community College, EMS Classroom, 10AM-3PM

Special Agent John Price of the FBI's Human Trafficking Initiative based in Charlotte will be the workshop leader. The training will cover the basic precepts of human trafficking including, the scope and dynamics locally and worldwide, the economics driving human trafficking, the indicators and "red flags," and the how-to's of handling trafficking victims with resources from organizations and coalitions working on the issue.

Sybil Mann, Executive Director of the Alliance noted, "This is the first training of its kind ever to be held in Western North Carolina. The problem is growing across the United States and this region and we want to use our resources to respond and build awareness in our communities."

The seminars are targeted toward persons in law enforcement and helping professions that may encounter victims of trafficking. These include: police and sheriff's departments, social services and health departments, emergency room staff at hospitals, free clinic personnel, faith-based assistance programs, and domestic violence and sexual assault agencies.

To register for the training events or to receive more information, contact Karen Arias or Dawn Lang at the 30th Alliance: 452-2122 or toll-free 1-877-355-5510.

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