




## Interoffice Memorandum

**AGENDA ITEM**

**NO ACTION**

April 22, 2014

TO: Mayor Teresa Jacobs  
-AND-  
Board of County Commissioners

FROM: George A. Ralls, MD, Director   
Health Services Department

SUBJECT: Human Trafficking  
**Discussion Agenda – May 6, 2014**

Significant attention has been paid to the evolving and serious issue of human trafficking. In 2011, Florida was ranked third in the country when it comes to the number of complaints received into the National Human Trafficking Resource Center's human trafficking hotline. Last year, the Department of Children and Families received more than 900 calls about human trafficking. Attorney General Pam Bondi recently discussed the importance of engaging local communities in the effort to stop human trafficking and provide support for rescued victims.

On May 6, 2014, Larry Zwieg, Director of the Metropolitan Bureau of Investigation, will provide the Board with a local perspective on the human trafficking problem. The presentation will cover local and statewide statistics, and law enforcement's efforts to curtail this crime. Also, information will be provided about community-based organizations that are currently involved in developing a collaborative approach to recognizing and supporting victims.

The presentation is informational only; no Board action will be requested.

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Cc: Linda A. Weinberg, Deputy County Administrator