

Executive Order - Zero Tolerance for Human Trafficking in City Service Contracts and Purchasing and Comprehensive Anti-trafficking Strategic Plan – City of Houston



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Type	Policy/Standard
Country / jurisdiction	City of Houston, Texas, United States of America
Enacting authority	City of Houston, Texas, United States of America
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Description	<p>The City of Houston ("City") spends hundreds of millions of dollars of public funds yearly on goods and services. The City seeks to use best efforts so that taxpayer dollars do not contribute to trafficking in persons. The City recognizes its purchasing decisions can benefit or protect workers around the world and public safety and morals are served by avoiding expenditures that could be used to commit human rights violations and social and environmental harm. In its role as a market participant, the City seeks to assure the integrity of the procurement process is not undermined by substandard labour practices or purchase of services provided or goods made under exploitative or unsustainable conditions.</p> <p>The City of Houston has a robust anti-trafficking program and multi-pronged strategic plan, which has been credited as the nation's first comprehensive municipal response to human trafficking. This plan and other toolkits that focus on policy changes, outreach initiatives, and multi-media public awareness campaigns are downloadable. There are also mentorship programmes.</p>
Availability	ENG: http://www.houstontx.gov/execorders/1-56.pdf ENG: https://humantraffickinghouston.org/