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MINNESOTA

2021 Report Card on Child & Youth Sex Trafficking

TIER II

Issue	Grade	Score	Highlights
 1. Criminal Provisions	C	13.5 17.5	Policy goals accomplished in areas related to buyer accountability under state CSEC laws, mistake of age defenses, decoy defenses, business entity liability under the trafficking law, and financial penalties. Gaps remain in areas related to buyer accountability under the trafficking law and trafficker accountability under state CSEC laws.
 2. Identification of and Response to Victims	F	12.5 27.5	Policy goals accomplished in areas related to screening through child welfare, non-criminalization for prostitution offenses, and child abuse definitions. Gaps remain in areas related to third party control, foreign national victims, screening through the juvenile justice system, expanded non-criminalization, juvenile court jurisdiction, and non-familial trafficking cases.
 3. Continuum of Care	C	10.5 15	Policy goals accomplished in areas related to services through a non-punitive system and appropriations. Gaps remain in areas related to MDT responses, services through the juvenile justice system, and extended foster care services.
 4. Access to Justice for Trafficking Survivors	D	9 15	Policy goals accomplished in areas related to restitution and civil remedies. Gaps remain in areas related to civil orders of protection, crime victims' compensation, vacatur, and statutes of limitation.
 5. Tools for a Victim-Centered Criminal Justice Response	F	5 10	Gaps remain in all areas, including hearsay exceptions, alternatives to live, in-court testimony, victim supports, and privileged communications.
 6. Prevention and Training	F	4.5 15	Policy goal accomplished related to training for child welfare. Gaps remain in areas related to training for juvenile justice agencies, law enforcement, prosecutors, and school personnel as well as prevention education in schools.
EXTRA CREDIT	 Youth	3	Protections related to services through a non-punitive system, appropriations, and civil remedies are extended to sex trafficked youth.
	 Child Labor Trafficking	2	Protections related to restitution and civil remedies are extended to child labor trafficking victims.

OVERALL GRADE
TIER II**D 60**

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