



Sex Trafficking Reporting App

Problem: What problem are you experiencing that might be solved by technology?:

Sex trafficking today predominantly occurs in private settings and is arranged online. However, those who are exploited (victims) and their controllers (pimps/traffickers) do move among the general population on a regular basis. They shop. They eat. They change location. Additionally, traffickers openly recruit from among the vulnerable. Traffickers and victims can blend in fairly well if no one is looking carefully. Lane County Human Trafficking Task Force (LCHTTF) and other local non-profits conduct training classes for citizens who want to learn how to recognize a situation in which pimps or victims are in public and be able to report relevant information to the local police. Currently, the reporting mechanism is minimal at best.

Challenge: What technology do you think would solve this problem?

This application will allow any citizen who is trained and certified to collect information via their mobile device (audio, video, photos, geolocation, tag words) and forward it to a repository that can be accessed by police. This information can be used to build cases against traffickers or locate victims so that they can be rescued. This effectively increases the coverage of the local police force dramatically and is crucial to stopping sexual

exploitation.

Assets:

Prize: \$500 + recognition at our “I-5 Traffic Jam” Summit in March 2018 and on our website/social pages and any media garnered

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