

Getting to a World Without Exploitation means starting with a clear vision. This is ours.

We believe that human trafficking and sexual exploitation are human rights issues, fueled by gender, racial, and income inequalities.

We seek to honor the power, purpose, and inherent worth of every person. Human trafficking and sexual exploitation endanger the welfare of the individual, the family, and the community. Accepting such exploitation as inevitable is inconsistent with a human rights vision.

We know that listening to survivors of exploitation is critical to developing just and effective social policies. We're committed to survivor engagement. And we're driven by survivor leadership.

We recognize that adults and children who have been trafficked or sexually exploited should be treated as victims of a crime, not as criminals themselves.

We realize that there can be no social justice without social services, so we're working to ensure that all survivors of labor trafficking and the sex trade have the comprehensive support they need to exit exploitative systems and rebuild their lives.

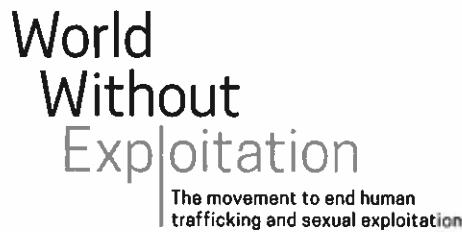
We understand that we won't end sexual exploitation until we end the demand for prostitution. As long as there is a global sex trade, ours will be an unsafe, unjust world.

We commit to eradicating the market for coerced or unpaid labor that drives the multi-billion dollar trade in trafficking.

We advocate for laws and policies that hold those who purchase other human beings, and those who profit from their sale accountable for the harms that they cause.

We know that law drives the culture even as culture shapes law. Challenging inaccurate media representation of human trafficking and sexual exploitation, while partnering with artists and writers who seek to tell a more accurate story, is central to our mission.

We believe that *true freedom* means being free from violence, exploitation, and oppression.



1. What SESTA (S 1693) is:

SESTA amends Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act, an archaic law that was enacted in 1996. SESTA allows websites that knowingly facilitate trafficking to be held accountable for sex trafficking. It permits sex trafficking victims to bring civil actions against the websites where they were sold. It also enables Attorneys General to bring civil suits against websites that violate federal anti-trafficking laws.

2. Why SESTA matters:

The multi-billion-dollar global sex trade is being increasingly powered by the Internet, where classified advertising websites make buying vulnerable human beings for sex as easy as ordering a pizza. Many of those who are being bought and sold on these websites are sexually trafficked children and adults. SESTA would close the legal loophole that allows exploiters to escape liability for knowingly facilitating trafficking while sending a powerful message that exploitation is unacceptable no matter where it occurs.

3. Who's fighting for SESTA:

- The bi-partisan push (Portman, Blumenthal, Heitkamp, McCain, McCaskill, Cornyn and numerous others);
 - Survivors and parents of exploited youth;
 - Silicon Valley allies (Sandberg, IBM, Oracle, the Internet Association and other tech companies);
 - Dozens of gender justice, human rights, and civil rights groups.
 - Prosecutors and law enforcement who are demanding a policy change like this: this will be tool that will make it easier to keep kids (and exploited adults) safe.
- KEY TAKEAWAY: Why wouldn't you be on our side on this one?

4. What SESTA is not:

An attack on free speech; an over reach that will adversely impact online commerce; a radical infringement on anyone's rights.

5. What about FOSTA (H.R. 1865)

While the original FOSTA, crafted by Rep. Ann Wagner, was an excellent, widely supported bill, that original bill was gutted in November, 2017. What remains in the bill provides websites that facilitate trafficking with broad legal immunity and does not provide sex trafficking victims with the legal recourse they need to bring actions against the websites on which they were trafficked. The bill also does not permit Attorneys General to bring civil suits against websites that violate federal anti-trafficking laws.

For those reasons, World Without Exploitation and numerous others are calling on Congress to pass SESTA, not the new version of FOSTA.



What to do with the #SESTA Postcard “Put People Over Profits”

1. Complete one now, and give to your Representative’s office when you stop by today.
2. Bring the rest of the postcards home and ask friends and family members to send them to their Representative.
3. Not sure who your Representative is? Look it up by zip code. <https://www.house.gov/representatives/find-your-representative>.

Thank you.

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The movement to end human
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Disrupting online exploitation: why survivors are standing up for #SESTA.

January 11, 2018. Capitol Hill SESTA lobby day.

On January 11th, join us on Capitol Hill. The day's events include a rally; a legislative briefing featuring survivor speak-out, remarks from Sen. Rob Portman, and the debut of a new public service video directed by Mary Mazzio ("I am Jane Doe"). The briefing will be followed by canvassing Congressional buildings. Our briefing is being hosted in cooperation with **Senator Rob Portman**.

Agenda

11:00 am - 1:00 pm: Russell Senate Office Building SR-385

11:00 - 11:30 am: Welcome & Rally

11:30 am - 1:00 pm: Legislative briefing

2:00 - 4:00 pm: Canvassing Congressional Buildings

Cannon Building 27 Independence Avenue SE

Longworth Building 9 Independence Avenue SE

Rayburn Building 50 Independence Avenue SW

To join us for the day, register with mattie@worldwithoutexploitation.org.

Or watch livestream on World Without Exploitation Facebook from 11 am - 1 pm

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