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Support for Human Trafficking Survivors Must be Preserved

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Most people don't think about human trafficking happening in Maine. However, estimates suggest that hundreds of cases, in which people are coerced into performing commercial sex work and other types of labor against their will, occur in our state each year.

Yet on Sept. 30, the Department of Justice's Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) ended funding to over 100 victim service providers serving at least 3,000 survivors across the country by letting trafficking victim services grants expire.