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### **The Enitan Story Receives Funding from Minnesota Department of Health to Serve Labor Trafficking Victims**

ANOKA, Minnesota – Feb. 12, 2018--The Enitan Story announced that it has received funding from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) to serve labor trafficking victims ages 24 and under. The Enitan Story is one of four nonprofit organizations in the State of Minnesota to receive this first-ever grant funding, with which MDH is seeking to expand its response to human trafficking and the need for specific services for labor trafficking victims.

Labor trafficking is a form of modern slavery that exists throughout the United States and globally. Labor traffickers – including recruiters, contractors, employers, and others – use violence, threats, lies, debt bondage, or other forms of coercion to force people to work against their will in many different industries.

Under the MDH grant, The Enitan Story will provide case management, community outreach, job and skills training to victims who qualify to receive said services. People can contact The Enitan Story at 763-273-6624 or [info@enitan.org](mailto:info@enitan.org) for questions or to apply for services.

“We are very pleased to be a recipient of this grant. As a labor trafficking survivor-led organization, we understand the needs of labor trafficking survivors and how difficult it is to identify victims even when we see them daily in our community,” said Bukola Oriola, Founder & Executive Director of The Enitan Story. “This grant will help us with our in-depth community outreach with the purpose of identifying labor trafficked youth and provide them with direct services through job and life skills.”

More information about The Enitan Story can be found on its web site at [www.enitan.org](http://www.enitan.org).

#### **About The Enitan Story**

Headquartered in Spring Lake Park, Minnesota, The Enitan Story is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to advocate for victims and empower survivors of human trafficking. It is dedicated to serving victims of human trafficking by advocating for them and referring them to available resources in their communities.

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