What is ISWFACE?

and why should you support it with a donation?

The International Sex Worker Foundation for Art, Culture and Education- a 501 (c) 3 non profit organization



Our office in Panorama City, CA- one of the most comprehensive libraries containing books, articles, artifacts, artwork, videos and other sex work and sex worker related material in the US

Open by appointment to anyone who is interested in learning more about this important issue, including students, teachers, the media, law enforcement, sex worker activists and sex workers, our library/ office offers an unparalleled opportunity to those who want real answers to the many questions regarding 'sex trafficking' sex work and decriminalization, as well as the history of the sex worker rights movement.

Our history, our goals, our projects, our needs

Our Mission Statement and Purpose:

This organization is a nonprofit [501 (c) (3)] public benefit corporation organized under the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law for public and charitable purposes.

The specific purposes of this corporation are:

- ▶ to serve as an educational resource center for serious research and other information about prostitution and sex work in order to provide the public with access to these academic reports and studies;
- ▶ to foster, perpetuate and preserve an appreciation of the art and culture created by and about sex workers; to establish and maintain a permanent collection of art (including but not limited to paintings, sculpture, photos, writings, etc.) and related archival materials created by and about sex workers, past and present, throughout the world and provide for their display, both through regular exhibits throughout the world and through the creation of a cyberspace museum;
- ▶ to educate the public about sex workers, their art and culture; to provide economic alternatives and opportunities for creative, artistic sex workers, to enable them to transition out of prostitution and into another profession if that is their goal;
- ▶ and to contribute or otherwise assist corporations, organizations and institutions in the fields of health care, law enforcement and education through the dissemination of accurate, timely information relating to this important social and political issue.
- . . . ISWFACE Articles of Incorporation 1997

by ISWFACE president and co-founder, Norma Jean Almodovar

OUR HISTORY (short version):

ISWFACE- the International Sex Worker Foundation for Art, Culture and Educationwas 'born' in 1997, a few months after the International Conference on Prostitution (ICOP), held in Los Angeles- the first US conference ever jointly organized and co-sponsored by a university and a sex worker rights organization—Cal State University Northridge Center for Sex Research, and COYOTE LA. Page # 1

ISWFACE was also the first ever sex worker founded 501 (c) 3 non profit organization. After we started our non profit, many other sex worker activists were inspired to follow our footsteps and create their own public charity institutions, such as SWOP -USA, AIM (Adult Industry Medical) and others.

As the executive director of COYOTE LA since 1983, I felt that it was time to reach out beyond our safe haven of 'political activism'- which seemed to be going nowhere fast- and find a new direction for my energy. It was also time for us to begin fund raising in a 'professional' way, because our self-funded projects were not getting us anywhere.

COYOTE LA was primarily focused on using political means to decriminalize prostitution. To qualify as a non profit 501 (c) 3, we also had to find a new, non political approach to accomplish our goals.

What if we spent our time and energy on education (of the public), using the literary and artistic talents of our international sex worker community? Certainly we had other objectives, such as helping artistic sex workers (of which there are many) by creating venues to display their work so that they could eventually transition out of sex work if that's what they wanted.



Our very first interview on VH1 Fashion TV- just months after we filed for our non profit status. You can see this video on our www.iswface.org website or on my youtube channel:

www.youtube.com/normajeanalmo1

For years I had been collecting books (written by us and about us), articles, artifacts, posters, movies and other relevant cultural and historical material from the world of sex work (which includes porn, stripping, phone sex and prostitution).

What if we used all of our art, literary and cultural resources to help inform and educate the public on who we are as individuals and show them how the prohibition of our work not only harms us and our families, but the community at large (as prohibitions of all vices inevitably do)? What if we became an educational and informational resource for students, academics, law enforcement, the medical community, the media, and others? That's the non political path we decided would take us to the same place as political activism. As Margo St. James (founder of COYOTE and the US sex worker rights movement) said "The more you know, the more you will support decriminalization."

Thanks to my involvement in the CSUN conference, I made many new contacts who were ideally suited to join our academic and legal advisory boards, who could contribute to our growing body of sex work positive research and literature. Dr. Joycelyn Elders, who had been the keynote speaker for ICOP, came on board immediately and wrote a glowing letter of support for us.

Fortunately we had an 'angel' who funded us through the process of incorporation and the first few years of our existence. [Note: ISWFACE has never had any salaried employees, including me, its' president and full time worker.]

Through his generous donations, we were able to hire a publicist which led to our very first interview as an organization- on VH1 Fashion TV. That interview is available on the front page of our website as well as on my personal youtube account-www.youtube.com/normajeanalmo1.

Our lineup of projects/ goals was impressive and we hoped to get many of them underway as soon as possible. We believed we were eligible for a number of art and education grants, and we spent countless hours applying for them.

However, our fledgling non profit organization was so new and 'unorthodox' (that is, we were and



Our office and library in Panorama City, California-filled with books, articles, videos as well as art work and artifacts from sex worker activists around the world.

The library is open to everyone- by appointment, because the office is in my home. We have college students and sex worker volunteers who help maintain our library and digitize our collection for the internet.

are politically incorrect) that we were turned down by everyone. Our original funding 'angel' continued to support us, which allowed us to accomplish many of our goals, but unfortunately he passed away in 2003 and left us without a major source of income to continue our work.

Nevertheless, we were able to survive because we had many supporters who believed in what we were doing, and their small contributions kept us going. This year, 2015, our organization turns 18.

We still have a few donors who have contributed sizeable amounts, at least what we consider 'sizable' in a movement which does not have the funding capabilities of the many faith based 'prostitution abolitionist rescue' organizations. Groups who wish to eradicate all commercial sex

such as the "Polaris Project" receive in excess of \$7 million and "Shared Hope" which also receives million annually. These organizations view all'sex work' as 'sex trafficking' (regardless of our consent) and believe that all those who engage in sex work are 'prostituted' and in need of 'rescuing.'

This is the 'politically correct' perspective of the radical feminists and religious conservatives who have been able to convince legislators and the Department of Justice that their take on 'sex work' is the correct one, and the US must help them 'eradicate' all commercial sex.

Obviously, it cannot be true that we are all 'victims', otherwise there would be no 'sex worker rights' movement around the world. There is no movement to decriminalize rape, because there are no victims of rape who feel they ought to have a right to continue to be raped. Given the current political climate, however, you'd never know how very many of us sex worker activists there are and how we have been desperately trying to get the attention of the media and the American people to tell them the truth about so called 'sex trafficking' and the agenda of the prostitution abolitionists.

The media has convinced the general public that there is a 'sex trafficking' crisis- which there is NOT. Prostitution abolitionists and religious conservatives have conflated sex work and sex trafficking and all instances of adult sex work are treated as 'sex trafficking' cases, so that what used to be considered 'consenting adult prostitution' is now the same as 'sex slavery.' [More on this and the research ISWFACE has done to disprove the lies told by the abolitionists in the section on our current projects

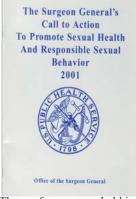
What is important to note is that because we do not embrace the seriously fact-challenged "anti-trafficking" movement's crusade to 'rescue and restore' us poor fallen women- or the absurd laws these nanny state embracers have forced upon government's around the world, it has been more than a little difficult to raise money for our projects. In spite of lack of funds and the uphill battle against those who wish to eradicate all commercial sex, we have made an impact and intend to continue to do so.

> That's why we need your financial help. You have a right to ask what we have done to earn your support.

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS:

To show what we have achieved, we would like to compare our original 'mission statement and purpose' at the beginning of this booklet to our activities through our 18 years of hard work. Our incorporating documents can be found on our website under "What is ISWFACE?"

 We have been invited to and participated in so many conferences and academic venues, including the 2000 'US Surgeon General's Conference 'Call to Action to Promote Sexual Health and Responsible Sexual Behavior.' In fact because of our reputation, ISWFACE was the only sex worker rights organization contacted by the conference The conference was held in 2000, this is the report from the conference, which was published in 2001.



- As a result of our participation in that conference, we have been invited to speak to the American Medial Students Annual Conferences in Southern California and Nevada.
- We've presented at 'sex trafficking' conferences hosted by Ohio State University Toledo, University of Nevada -Las Vegas, etc. using the research material we gathered and which we made available on our www.policeprostitutionandpolitics.com website.
- •We've contributed articles to academic journals (at their invitation), our material is quoted by academic researchers and in law journal articles.

•We co-sponsor sex worker film and art festivals, performance art

(by sex workers),

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assist in the production of sex worker documentaries, create informative videos for use in classrooms



•In 1999 and 2000, we held a summer long worker 'ICE sex camp- (International Cultural Exchange) in Montana, where new activists

learned activism from some of the most 'notorious' sex worker rights activists in the world. Part of those summer long activities included community events to which all the locals (non sex workers) were invited, in order to foster an environment where members of the community at large were able to get to know sex workers in a non threatening and non 'work' environment.

Reference Library I FBI Statistics & Reports 1981-2013

•We created an online resource center for use by organizations and individuals who interact with sex workers- with an overwhelming amount of information, links to original sources. videos, law journal articles, government reports and statistics, and so much more.

Unlike prostitution abolitionists, we include ALL relevant material- not just that which supports our point of view. We believe that the only way to find the truth is to present all arguments so they can be analyzed for their logic and veracity. Using the FBI's own statistics, we prove that the 'creating awareness' campaign of so called 'child sex trafficking' and the entire 'sex slavery' hypothesis is nothing more than a replay of early 20th Century's equally fraudulent 'White Slave Trade" hysteria. Ifor further information on the research we have made available on this important topic, please go to our www.policeprostitutionandpolitics.com website and then to the "Operation Do the Math' section, or read the enclosed book of the same title.]

To cover all our accomplishments over the past 18 years would take up more time than you have to read it. If you are interested in knowing more, I'd be happy to send you material listing everything we have done since our inception.

These are just a few of our accomplishments- done on a shoe- string budget.

HOW WE'VE MANAGED TO KEEP GOING FOR 18 YEARS AND WHAT WE NEED TO CONTINUE OUR WORK:

Here are some of the cost saving measures we took so that we could stretch our very, very limited budget as far as it would go, and why we need your financial help to continue our work and realize our long term goals:

- ▶ We purchased our own server (which now needs replacing) so we cannot be intimidated or threatened to remove information or material which may 'offend' someone. Owning our own server costs much less than paying others to host our various websites. We own more than 20 domain name which relate to our organization, including the .com, .org, .info etc. versions of each domain name. Each domain name must be renewed annually, regardless of whose server we used to host them.
- ▶ We bought used computers from eBay. We did purchase/'lease to own' new equipment in the past, but find that purchasing used Macs (we are an all Mac office) is much less expensive in the long run. We currently have 4 laptops and 4 desktop computers -which our volunteers use while they work in the office. With the exception of one, all of the computers are between 6 and 9 years old. We have nursed them along, but they will need replacing soon.



▶ I taught myself all the software that we need to function. I do all the graphics artwork, page layout and writing for our various publications. Unfortunately most of our software is outdated. We continue to run our old computers with the older Mac OS, as updating the operating system would require updating the rest of our software, which we cannot afford. We do need to replace our aging computers, and purchase software upgrades to continue our vital work.



▶ We have a large, professional color laser printer which we leased/ purchased (and now own) which allows us to do all our own in house printing-from posters to books. Being able to create professional looking brochures and booklets makes us look like an army of dozens rather than the small, dedicated & unpaid staff that we really are.

Printing our material uses up mountains of paperbecause we mail out our material to our colleagues to use in their presentations at political meetings, conferences and college/ university lectures. We also go through many toner cartridges and image drums which, while they make lots of copies, are nevertheless expensive to replace.

We've priced having our material printed at the various professional print shops- and taking into account that we use as much toner and paper as we do, it still is MUCH cheaper to do it ourselves. It just takes more time.

- We have our own binding equipment which enables us to put our books together whenever we need to send them out- whether one book or ten. This ensures that we can update all our material anytime and are not left with a stack of outdated inventory. (This is one of the major reasons it costs less for us to do our own printing, because we CAN print out however many or few we need without having to commit to a large volume of units to get a discount.)
- ▶The ISWFACE office/ library is in my home. Despite having a fairly large apartment (nearly 2,000 sq. feet) it takes up most all of our living Page # 5

space. My husband became disabled in 2007 and I am his caregiver. Working from home allows me to do my work for ISWFACE *and* take care of my husband. With no commute to make, I have much more time to spend doing my work.

Being able to do all our work from my home rather than paying for office space also saves a ton of money. ISWFACE does pay a portion of the utilities because it uses so much electricity.

These are just a few of our financial needs just to maintain our current level of activity. We want to do so much more- we NEED to do so much more to fight the war against commercial sex. We have the will- we just need the funding.

OUR PROJECTS: (current and ongoing)

One of our most policy important projects- it is at the top of the 'education' portion of our mission statement and purpose:

The primary argument of prostitution abolitionists for continued criminalization and ultimate 'eradication' of commercial sex (and the demand for an increase in penalties and new laws) relies on the alleged number of 'children' being forced into 'sex slavery.' They claim that 'the average age of entry into prostitution is 12 / 13 / 14' and for that reason, they argue,'it would be impossible for adult women to CHOOSE to engage in prostitution since they were forced into it as minors.'

We certainly do not condone child sexual exploitation - regardless of who is doing it or whether money is involved. We know the 'average age of entry' claim is patently false, because it came from the 2001 study "The Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children in the US, Canada and Mexico" - a study in which NO ONE over 18 was included.

The most astonishing statement in this report is that 96% of all cases of child sexual exploitation is at the hands of someone whom the child knows and trusts- not by strangers looking to buy the services of children.

Can you imagine that a crusade intended to 'rescue children' does not include the 96% of the victims- the



The above image is from our "Rogues Gallery" of pedophile cops, judges, DAs - pages and pages of men who do not buy the sexual services of the children whom they sexually abuse. Sadly, many of these government agents receive probation or very minimal sentences for raping very young children. For example, Pike County Ohio Deputy Chief Clyde Franklin Sanders Jr. plead guilty to raping a THREE YEAR OLD GIRL - TWICE and received probation. These cops are part of the 96% of the sexual predators of **children** who are known to

their victims in some way.

Our research shows that neither juveniles or adults who are arrested for prostitution, are safe in the 'custody' of those who carry handcuffs and wear badges. Nor are they safe behind bars. Rape is all too common in prisons and jails, usually perpetrated by those who are entrusted to protect them.

This information must be factored into any so called 'solution' to the issue of real sex trafficking. As we have found (and you can sex workers. Cops who rape us read more about this at are seldom punished, but if they are nunished their sentence is length in the enclosed

children who are much younger than those who are allegedly trafficked into prostitution? Exactly what is the goal of the 'anti-trafficking' groups if they leave out the majority of real victimsmerely because those victims are not being bought and sold'?

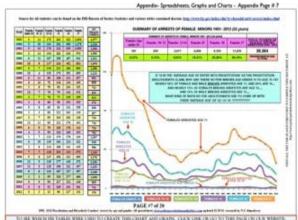
The report also listed a few types of individuals who were far more likely to be molesting children (for free) than someone seeking to buy the services of a minor. However, it left out one major group of predators of children- law enforcement agents.

For a number of years, we have researched stories about cops who sexually assault children- and the list is long and heart breaking. Unfortunately cops simply cannot be trusted around minors OR adult sex workers, as is evidenced by the long list of law enforcement predators.



The above image is from our "Rogues Gallery" of cops, judges and others who rape/ extort/ solicit/ pimp and kill are punished, their sentence is usually very minimal.

"What Libertarians Don't Know About Prostitution and So Called Sex Trafficking and Didn't know Anyone to Ask" booklet), there is no 'crisis' in sex trafficking. The anti-prostitution folks conflate sex work with sex trafficking in order to bolster their fabricated number of alleged victims. A consenting adult is NOT a victim of 'sex trafficking' and no amount of invented 'statistics' by 'faith based' charities or progressive organizations will change that.



Our analysis of the arrests of minors for prostitution (from the FBI Bureau of Justice Statistics) over a 33 year period (from **1981 to 2013**) shows a marked DECREASE in the number of minors in prostitution-rather than an increase of 'growing crisis' - and the majority of those arrested were 16 and 17. In 1981, there were 2,077 female minors arrested for prostitution, 1,084 were 17 and 522 were 16. In 2012, there were 470 TOTAL female minors arrested for prostitution- 241 were 17 and 137 were 16.

It is possible that there were far more minors engaged in prostitution than who were caught and arrested, but there is NO WAY to know how many more minors there were or are. One thing is certain- if there ARE hundreds of thousands of children forced into prostitution EACH year added to the hundreds of thousands from previous years, either we have some very incompetent law enforcement agents OR there are simply NOT hundreds of thousands of minors involved in prostitution.

Our research doesn't just involve stories of predatory cops. It's certainly an important part of our work to point out the ignorance of those who believe that arresting and putting 'vulnerable' women and children in the hands of rapistoriented law enforcement agents will somehow prevent the 'exploitation and abuse' that it is believed to be inherent in prostitution. We needed to examine the government's own statistics to expose the many false assertions made by those with a prostitution abolitionist agenda.

Before we started work on this massive project, there was no single source of information to which anyone could go to find multi- year data. The FBI, of course, has all the statistics for each year, and does analyze five and ten year 'trends' in crime,



but it does not focus on the information that we need to expose the lies told by the abolitionists.

Operation Do the Math

The government uses the word 'Operation' to name its vice 'stings, such as the annual 'Operation Cross Country' -when it sends out thousands of federal, state and local agents to a number of cities nation-wide in search of 'child victims' of 'sex trafficking.' In their press releases commending themselves for their 'excellent' work, they never mention the fact that it takes up to 50 agents to 'rescue' ONE child, as it did in 2014, when 8,500 agents, over a period of three days (or seven, depending upon the report you read) they 'recovered' a grand total of 168 minors in 106 cities, or 1.58 child per city. The 'children' rescued were primarily 16 and 17 year olds. Minorsyes, but are they 'children'?

It seemed to us that both the government AND the prostitution abolitionists are seriously math impaired, and rely on the reluctance of the general public to question the large numbers spewed out by the 'antis' when talking about 'victims' of 'sex slavery.' Not only do most folks not question the numbers, they wouldn't know where to look for actual statistics even if they believed they were being lied to. So we did the only thing we could do-take out our calculators (*spreadsheet software*) and go searching through the pages of government stats, put them in a cohesive format and see exactly how true (or false) the statistics were that have been touted by the politicians and the media as being 'factual.'

We call this project "Operation Do the Math" and our research covers 33 years worth of FBI data. At first, we just wanted to know how many arrests were for prostitution, what percentage of prostitution arrests were of minors, and how this compared to the wildly inflated numbers of alleged 'victims' in this 'fastest growing criminal enterprise.' The numbers were shocking- not because there were so many arrests, but because

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they showed a significant *decrease* in the numbers of arrests for 'commercial sex' related activity.

From a high in the early 1980s for both male and female adult and juvenile arrests, to

2013, there has been a marked decline in arrests. In 1983, there were **88,132** females arrested, while in 2013, there were **28,292**. In 1987, the number of arrests of males (a number which includes male and trans sex workers as well as 'johns') was **38,811**, while in 2013, that number dwindled to **13,818**. The number of female minors arrested went from a high in 1982 of **2,316** to **470** in 2012. That number rose to 523 in 2013. [When the cops say they 'rescued' a minor, they actually mean they 'arrested' that juvenile.]

Clearly the 'guesstimation' of 'hundreds of thousands' of children forced into prostitution EACH YEAR is pure hokum. Mathematically, one cannot extrapolate such a huge number of alleged victims from such a small number of 'rescued' arrested' child victims, when there is absolutely NO EVIDENCE to indicate that there could possibly BE more than a few thousand, if that. The claim that each of those 'hundreds of thousands' of alleged 'child sex trafficking victims' was forced to see as many as 10 to 60 men *PER DAY* (yes, that's what some abolitionists say), seven days a week, every day of the year is clear evidence that these people have NO mathematical skills whatsoever.

Anyone with a calculator could figure out that with 154,492,067 males, (according to the 2010 Census) of which only 107,965,933 are between the ages of 20 and 79 (the most likely to have both the income and physical ability to hire a prostitute), there aren't enough males in the entire country to supply the JUVENILE 'prostitutes' with work, much less the far more numerous adult sex workers (only 1.81% of all prostitution arrests are for minors, vs. 98% for adults).



This is a spreadsheet with 23 years worth of stats relating to reported rapes and sexual assaults, numbers of arrests for rapes and sexual assaults, arrests for prostitution (adults and juveniles) drug arrests and comparisons of 'murdered' by circumstances' for cops, prostitutes, romantic triangles, children killed by babysitters and homicides during rape. Of the two professions, more cops were murdered on duty than prostitutes, and the most number of murders in these categories was for those involved in a romantic triangle. It also shows the number of unsolved rape cases, which is noted above- over 5 MILLION!

Using their 'estimates' here's how the numbers would work out: using the smaller number of 100,000 minors each year x (10 'johns' per day x 200 days per year)= 200,000,000 men... if we calculate the number of men needed by using just the '200,000 minors' x (10 'johns' per day x 200 days per year)= we would need 400,000,000 men per year just to keep *those children* busy. Where are the men coming from who hire adult sex workers? If there are so many minors, why can't they be found despite all the resources spent looking for them?

That got us thinking. If the cops weren't arresting many people for prostitution, for what crimes were they making arrests? How many arrests for reported violent rapes and sexual assaults, compared to arrests for prostitution? And how many arrests for drug crimes (possession and selling)? Did the millions of arrests for drugs from 1991 to 2013 reduce the number of users? Was there a similar decrease in the number of arrests for drugs as there was for prostitution? (No. There were 1,010,000 arrests in 1991 while there were 1,335,475 in 2013) All the arrests and prosecutions did not 'end the demand' for drugs.

What percentage of reported violent rapes and sexual assaults resulted in an arrest? (for 2012, it was 4.5%, while in 2013, it was 5.2%), and over the 23 year period for which we looked up these arrest statistics, there are 5,333,931 UNSOLVED reported violent rapes and sexual assaults, while there were 1,859,907 arrests of adults for prostitution, where there was no criminal complaint filed other than by the police officer who made the arrest. Using media reports on arrests of sex workers, we have observed that it generally takes 7 police officers to arrest ONE 'suspected' prostitute...



Apparently cops and our government believe it is more important to 'rescue' women who haven't asked for help than it is to pursue and prosecute alleged rapists.

We believe it is paramount to disseminate the facts (according to the government's own records) to the public and the media, to show how much they are being bamboozled by our government and people whose agenda is to 'eradicate' all commercial sex-because it offends them.

That's why this research project is so important, and why we need to raise money to continue this research, to go through all the data from the government and publish the information. Shouldn't real victims who report crimes take priority over a moral and social crusade? Shouldn't politicians be held accountable for passing bad laws which allow so much corruption in law enforcement and doesn't do ANYTHING to help *real* victims?

Reference Library II Page by page PDFS of The Truth About Cops

Online Resource Center (on going)

In addition to the above research, we've assembled one of the most complete online reference/resource libraries on the subject of sex work and related issues, and made it available to anyone, any time, anywhere. It contains an overwhelming amount of information, data, links, law journal and academic articles, etc. and is growing every day. Without any advertising at all, we average over 1,000 unique hits per day.

All the material, statistics, data etc. on our www.policeprostitutionandpolitics.com website is linked to the original sources, unlike the 'statements' and claims found on so many of the abolitionists' websites, where demonstrably fraudulent assertions are made without any reference whatsoever to the source of their claim. When a source IS given, it is usually to some other website which cites the first website as the 'source'... a circular reference.

Enclosed are some examples of our research-in the form of two books, numerous posters and post-cards. Just as our website does, these books contain a great deal of information. It may or may not interest you to read any of it, much less all of it. We hope you will at least go through the material, and that it may be useful to you if you are confronted with the issue of so called 'sex trafficking.'

We know that most people are reluctant to challenge anyone on a subject about which they know little to nothing and only hold an opinion. Furthermore, most people don't have the time or the inclination to read a bunch of boring

research material- spreadsheets, graphs and charts! So we created eye-catching, colorful posters which summarize the information and point out the serious flaws and glaring deceptions made by the antiprostitution folks.

Providing our colleagues with ammunition What do we do with those posters and postcards? Send out thousands of copies of

hand out at the conferences, lectures and other events they attend our posters and postcards to our colleagues to



Our research material needs WE PROMISSE TO CALL YOU IF AND WHEN WE NEED YOUR HELP! to be in the hands of all those

who make policy which includes state and federal laws relating to so called 'sex trafficking.' It also needs to be mailed to the many journalists who continue to spread the lies of the prostitution abolitionists. To accomplish this, we need funding for paper, toner, postage and other related materials.

Speakers Bureau/ media interviews

We receive many requests for speakers for college and university classes, as well as conferences and other events at which our 'politically incorrect' perspective is welcome.

College/ university classes have included women's studies, criminal justice, sociology, history, human sexuality etc. One of our goals is to offer our lecture services to more colleges and universities by using internet technology which makes it possible to speak to a class without being there in person. I've been able to give several lectures- from home- using Skype.

As one of the few libertarian activists in the sex worker rights movement, I am invited to speak at a number of libertarian functions. Unfortunately, most of the time I am not able to accept the invitation due to lack of funds for travel.

Our physical library of books, articles etc.

As I mentioned in the 'our history' section, I've been collecting books and articles on this subject for many, many years.

Our library consists of law iournal and academic publications, hundreds of books, historical documents, artifacts, artwork, sex worker publications (of their activism, not advertising their services),



posters from sex worker activities (festivals, art exhibits, conferences etc.) from around the world.



This library is important not only as a repository of rare books on this issue, but also serves as a cultural center for dents, the media and others to access the world of one of the most studied and written about group of people in history.

We've digitized much of the material to make it accessible to people

through the internet. This is a very time consuming project and our volunteers have done a wonderful job thus far, but we need to find and pay people who do this professionally.

Many of the articles in our library are already

posted on our website, and are constantly accessed by students whose professors have contacted us asking for resource information and links. Many more students could access this valuable information resource if we were able to notify their professors of the existence of our website.

With an all volunteer staff, we must allocate our scarce financial resources and limited time to work on the most pressing issues, which



include completing our research and making it available to those who propose bad laws which harm not only sex workers, but those who are real victims of real crimes and who asked for help. It is the education of those legislators that is the most important part of our work. After all, can they continue to claim that the laws they propose (*such as the SAFE Act*) are intended to 'benefit' women and children, when the government's own data shows they are focusing on the wrong 'victims'?

Of course, the agenda of the prostitution abolitionists really isn't about protecting sex workers from abuse and exploitation, nor are politicians concerned about our well being. Canadian legislators who passed the new anti-prostitution laws after their Supreme Court overturned the original laws, made that quite clear: 'We don't want to make life safe for prostitutes," Senator Donald Plett, a Conservative, told the Senate in September, "we want to do away with prostitution." As if that is ever going to happen, anymore than governments can do away with drugs or homosexuality!!!

(proposed projects)

Ponline course for colleges and universities Recently Ohio State University (OSU-Toledo) offered an online course on 'sex trafficking.' The professor is a prostitution abolitionist, so you can imagine the tone of the course. Several of our sex worker activists and allies decided to take the course (it was free) so they could see exactly what was being presented as 'educational material' regarding this issue. As we suspected, the prosex worker rights students were not welcome, and presenting a sex worker positive point of view caused some of them to be kicked out of the online class.

We propose to create our own online course-offered through a credible college or university (whose professors are sympathetic to our position) so that there is an alternative to the abolitionist perspective being presented to students around the world.

In addition to the usual course material, we want to provide audio and video interviews with sex worker rights activists, members of the medical and legal community, and politicians in countries where sex work is decriminalized, to educate the students. We already have a number of interested interviewees, such as Dr. Joycelyn

Elders (former US Surgeon General), Xaviera Hollander (aka "The Happy Hooker") and others, whose contributions to the sex worker rights movement is well known.

Although much of the expenses of setting up such a course could be borne by the host university, we would want someone from ISWFACE to interview our guest lecturers, because of the issue of privacy for any currently working sex workers who participate in the project and who would be interviewed for it.

Our book/ multi- media projects:

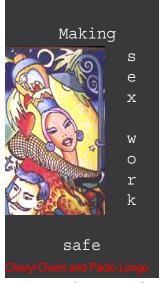
Much of the research we've already done will be utilized for our book/ multi- media projects. We plan to provide readers with all the extra material that would simply be too much to include in a book. Using audio and video clips from interviews with sex worker activists and others, will make the projects truly interactive.

Two of the book projects are already in production-"Cops, Hos, Preachers and Politicos," and "The Dishonored Badge"- and these books should be ready to publish in another year. The problem for both is what to leave out. There are SO many stories which need telling, which is why having a website to post the information overflow is important. Unfortunately the corruption just never ends, so no doubt we will have to update the books in the future to keep them current.

• "Making Sex Work Safe" [North American version]

The original version of this important book was written by two of our international activists colleagues, and focused on issues related to the international sex worker community.

This book is used by health care professionals, harm reduction social workers and others, to help them understand the unique needs of sex workers, and how to keep them safe. Especially needed in countries where prostitution remains a crime,



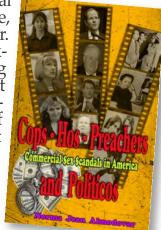
This book gives concerned allies insights into the every day obstacles that sex workers face and how best to help them.

ISWFACE is uniquely qualified to make this book available for the those who do 'harm reduction' outreach work with street based sex workers- those who are most in need of the services of harm reduction programs.

•"Cops, Hos, Preachers and Politicos- Commercial \$ex \$candals in America"

Part history book, part "National Enquirer" this

book project is sure to appeal to a very broad audience, given the subject matter. Scandal after scandal is examined in detail, examining the moral hypocrisy that breeds scandals and the unintended consequences of the prohibition of the oldest profession. This thoroughly researched project will be both informative and entertaining.



Why is it important? Sometimes people need to be reminded of the by-product of prohibitions and bad laws- which is moral hypocrisy. When a scandal breaks, such as the Eliot Spitzer case, and the media headlines feature the immediate story for days, sometimes weeks- but then the headlines fade and people forget about the incident. Perhaps it never dawns on them that he is not the only politician involved with sex workers- and who passes laws against the very activity in which they were / are involved.

How many of these "do as I say and not as I do" elected officials, 'ministers of God' and other 'pillars of the community' who succumb to the temptations of the flesh (and who get caught) will it take to wake up the public? How many cops who rape/extort/solicit/pimp prostitutes- and often retain their jobs - are necessary before society understands that bad laws prohibiting consensual activity of any sort always have and always will engender police/judicial corruption?

A fun- and sobering - read, appropriate for anyone who follows the latest juicy scandal involving our most revered community leaders.

•"Dishonored Badge- Broken Trust- the Immoral Consequences of So Called Moral Laws"

As I was researching stories for the above project, I realized there was far more material covering many more types of corruption and abuse within

law enforcement than I could ever use in the book of 'sex scandals.'

From drug use, abuse, sales, trafficking, planting drugs on innocent people - to raping women (non prostitutes) at traffic stops, sexually molesting sometimes *very young children*, and so many incidents of domestic violence and murder- suicide cases, theft, armed robbery, and outright thuggery- these stories beg to be told.

What happens to good cops when bad cops are not punished for their criminal behavior? Can a good cop remain 'good' in a situation where their colleagues are committing more crimes than those whom they arrest?

What is at the root of corruption and familial violence within the law enforcement community? There are several theories on the causes and correction of this problem. Most theories rest on the premise that the prohibition of vices (from alcohol to gambling) which allows selective and arbitrary enforcement of these laws, creates a sense of entitlement in those with a weak character who find impossible to resist.



Then it becomes a matter of opportunity. This is compounded by the failure of prosecutors to prosecute cases of police abuse and corruption, and a failure of juries to convict law enforcement agents who commit even heinous crimes. There is no incentive for a cop to refrain from engaging in criminal activity.

What will it take to persuade society that criminalizing consensual adult activity will never rid the world of the 'immoral' activities they find offensive and will only lead to corruption of everything that the laws touch?

Is the corruption of law enforcement and the entire judicial system more acceptable than the 'immoral' or 'anti- social' behaviors that these laws 'prohibit' but will never eradicate?

Is it fair to those who are real victims of violent crimes- and who have asked for help- to demand that the scarce and valuable resources are squandered pursuing, prosecuting and punishing consenting adults who are unlucky enough to be 'chosen' by the arresting law enforcement agent to be the one to go to jail unless they can provide the officer with sex, money or information?

This book is far more serious and hard hitting, avoiding the tabloid appeal of our other book.

•"Old Whores and Aging Porn Stars-First Person Accounts of the Sex Worker Movement..." In the US, Canada, South America, Asia, Africa, Europe, etc.

Each country with a sex worker rights movement would focus on the work of their organizations and individual activists .This long term project would include audio and video interviews as well as written stories of their accomplishments and failures. ISWFACE or one of our affiliates will oversee the entire project, but each group will organize their own material regarding their contributions to the international sex worker rights movement.

This project is important to the history of sex worker activism and would be vital to students and academics and others. We have often been the subject of their study, of their interpretation of our activism- and there are plenty of books which cover small portions of our history. Unfortunately for us, academics who write books on our movement frequently do not even interview those who have contributed so much to our movement, thus leaving out essential information about us and the work we have done.

► International Resource Directory

This is a project we started in 1997 after the conference with Cal State Northridge. At the time, the internet as we know it now did not exist. It wasn't easy for anyone to access information or contact sex work positive academics, researchers or sex worker rights organizations.

We proposed putting a directory together which would include all the known activists, organizations and individuals- as well as the research that was then available, and putting it on cds, and publish a hard copy for everyone. We just did not have the funding at the time to make it happen, and as other projects became viable, this one was dropped until such time as we could work on it.

Now, with such easy internet access to anywhere in the world, it would be a great time to resurrect this project - solely as a digital resource, significantly reducing the cost for making it available. At present, we all seem to be able to connect with one another, but only because we know each other.

What about those who would like to join our ranks and work with us, who do not know where to go or whom to ask? We think now is the time to create this directory, and even though the costs for putting it online would be much less than a published version, it will still require the time and effort of someone to gather all that information together.

The proposed projects are on our 'wish list' - what we'd like to do if we had unlimited funding and a large staff. We have plenty of work to do on our current projects and remain committed to this work and research as long as our financial resources permit. We are in desperate need of donations just to keep 'treading water.'

If we were an 'anti- trafficking' organization, funding would not be a problem.

According to the January 27th, 2015 "Special Report: Money and Lies in Anti-Human Trafficking NGOs" (By Anne Elizabeth Moore), there are "50... prominent domestic groups founded or organized to limit or eradicate human trafficking, or to assist trafficking victims. This includes organizations that do not use the term "trafficking" in mission statements, but either designate human trafficking as a major issue area or work in a related area (such as violence against women), have a consistent history of trafficking focused projects and are regularly designated as anti-trafficking focused by other anti-trafficking organizations...

In all, 50 of the most prominent anti-trafficking organizations in the United States are estimated to **share around \$686 million** - an amount that would place them approximately 184th on the UN's ranking of nations by GDP, right above Samoa. And that... could be a very low estimate..."

However, these organizations have an agenda of eradicating all commercial sex, regardless of our consent to engage in it. It is the identical crusade fought by progressives and religious conservatives a century ago. Theirs has never been a crusade to 'help' sex workers- it was and is a crusade to abolish what they consider a

'social evil' regardless of the harmful consequences to those who earn a living providing pleasure to others.

We support the individual adult's right to choose, and do not accept the premise that *all* 'sex work' is 'sex trafficking,' which means we are considered politically incorrect and finding consistent funding sources is a serious problem.

Regardless of how you may personally feel about prostitution and pornography as a moral or social issue, we hope that you also support individual liberty which includes the right to make choices of which others may not approve.

Our issue overlaps so many other issues in which libertarians are interested:

Prison overcrowding

Forced prison labor for the state

Prison reform

Police violence and abuse

Gay, lesbian, bi and trans rights

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Juvenile justice system

Domestić violenće

Drug useAIDS/HIV

Rape and sexual assault

Child sexual abuse

And perhaps most importantly- self- ownership and the right of the individual to autonomy.

Your financial help is sought because of your libertarian leaning, and while we know that there are many deserving libertarian causes that also seek donations from you, we hope that you will recognize the importance of our work in this area, and the need for the support of libertarian philanthropists like you.

If you want to know what our annual income is and how it is spent, you can go to any online site which shows the 990s of all public charities, such as "Melissa Data" and "ERI" (Economic Research Institute). While you are there, compare our income and expenses with the annual income for "Shared Hope" and "Polaris Project" and any other 'faith based rescue' organizations. 'Rescuing' prostitutes is a profitable business. Fighting for sex worker rights - and to educate the public- is not.

SUMMARY OF OUR FINANCIAL NEEDS:

*(these are some but not all of our financial needs)

Monthly expenses

Phone and internet

Rent and utilities

Webmaster fee

•Server Co-location fee

Paypal purchases credit card

•Online fraining and cloud software (Adobe Suite, lynda.com)

Annual Expenses

Domain name renewals

 Accountant fees for filing and maintaining our financial records

•State/ city filing fees

Post office box

•Skype phone (phone number and international calling to our affiliates)

Ongoing Expenses

Printer: toner/ paper / binding equip ment for books

Computer and printer repairs

Postage/mailing - USPS, UPS, Fedex

• Purchases of books related to this issue for our library

Travel Expenses

To fund sex workers to attend important sex work related local and international conferences and

 Speaking opportunities speak to legislators regarding

proposed legislation

• To speak at colleges and universities when not offered honorariums

Research Expenses

•LexisNexus and archival news sources fees

• Purchase law journal / academic articles relating to these issues

 Reimbursing researchers and volunteers for gas

•Some researchers to be paid for their work, for specific ISWFACE projects which involve time intensive labor

Upcoming Expenses

Replacing aging computers

Upgrading software

 Replacing server (co-located in Las Vegas)

 Art and film festival expenses- to allow sex workers without financial resources to participate in/ attend these cultural events and to contribute to them

All of the above expenses are what we need to fund just to keep our organization going, without adding any of our proposed projects.

Won't you consider making a donation now and pledge sustaining support so we can continue our important work?

All of our contact information is on the back of this document. You can email me at: normajeanalmodovar@gmail.com



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Our Letter Dated:
February 1998
Addendum Applies:

Dear Applicant:

This modifies our letter of the above date in which we stated that you would be treated as an organization that is not a private foundation until the expiration of your advance ruling period.

Your exempt status under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) is still in effect. Based on the information you submitted, we have determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are an organization of the type described in section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(1) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

You are required to make your annual information return, Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, available for public inspection for three years after the later of the due date of the return or the date the return is filed. You are also required to make available for public inspection your exemption application, any supporting documents, and your exemption letter. Copies of these documents are also required to be provided to any individual upon written or in person request without charge other than reasonable fees for copying and postage. You may fulfill this requirement by placing these documents on the Internet. Penalties may be imposed for failure to comply with these requirements. Additional information is available in Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, or you may call our toll free number shown above.

If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your private foundation status, please keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,

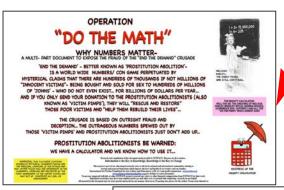
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We have a wide selection of colorful and informative posters on our www.policeprostitutionandpolitics.com website-perfect for explaining the facts about this important libertarian issue to the media, your friends and fellow libertarians.

You can also find the animated video clips we created which point out the ludicrousness of the arguments postulated by the rad fems and religious conservatives who support the 'eradication' of all commercial sex. Look for the links "Posters with Data and Info" and "THANK YOU, MELISSA FARLEY- AND OTHER SEX WORKER POSITIVE VIDEOS"







Additional books and brochures from ISWFACE: THE GLOBAL TRAFFICKING IN CHILDREN AND YOUNG GIRLS IS TO PROSTITUTION WHAT CHILD BRIDES AND SPOUSAL ABUSE ARE TO MARRIAGE: WHAT IS THE TRUTH **BEHIND THE MEDIA (and radical leftist feminist)** HYPE AND WHAT SHOULD WE DO ABOUT PROSTITUTION? (how about decriminalizing all consenting adult commercial sex?)

WHO WILL RESCUE US FROM THOSE WHO WISH TO RESCUE US AGAINST OUR WILL?

IN THE US GOVERNMENT'S WAR AGAINST PROSTITUTION AND PORNOGRAPHY..... sex workers are out-numbered and out-gunned... and wondering, where are our allies?

ALSO AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE: "OPERATION DO THE MATH" **AND**

"THE TRUTH ABOUT COPS, PROSTITUTES, SEX TRAFFICKING AND CHILD SEXUAL **EXPLOITATION**"

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