

**Presenter & Panelist Bios****Allan Bakke**

**Allan Bakke is the Southwest MN Safe Harbor Regional Navigator serving 17 counties across southwest MN.** He is a lifelong advocate for human rights issues and has served as a Lutheran Pastor, Big Buddies Program Director, and Development Director for a Community Action Agency. As the Regional Navigator for Southwest MN, Allan serves as a point of contact for professionals and sexually exploited/trafficked youth to access appropriate services. He is responsible for facilitating the process of improving the community response for at-risk and sexually exploited youth at local, county and state systems levels which includes community assessment and resource identification, training systems professionals, making and receiving referrals, case consultation and protocol development.

**Madeline Lohman**

**Madeline Lohman is a Senior Researcher with The Advocates for Human Rights.** Madeline Lohman is a Senior Researcher with The Advocates for Human Rights. She conducts research, community education and outreach, and legislative advocacy on immigrant rights in Minnesota. She also specializes in trainings and technical assistance on human rights advocacy for social justice organizations, as well as international monitoring and reporting, primarily on the death penalty. She recently published a report on labor trafficking and exploitation in Minnesota and is part of The Advocates' team on combating human trafficking

in Minnesota. As part of The Advocates' work against labor trafficking, she also convened a working group of government experts to design a self-assessment card for labor trafficking victims as well as trainings and materials to accompany the card.

Her previous work with The Advocates included researching and writing a report on immigrant rights in Minnesota, building on several years of organizing and managing partnerships with community organizations through Minnesota to combat anti-immigrant bias. As part of her work on immigrant rights, Madeline also collaborated with local governments and community organizations to conduct local-level immigrant integration initiatives. She also participates in advocacy at the Minnesota legislature, previously managing communication materials and websites for an immigrant rights coalition.

**Kristin Tout**

**Assistant District Director, Kristin Tout, began her career with the U.S. Department of Labor, Wage & Hour Division 25 years ago as an investigator with the Minneapolis District Office.**

As a bilingual investigator, Kristin conducted many investigations in the restaurant, agriculture, construction and janitorial industries. In 2009, Kristin became a Senior Investigator Advisor, leading teams of investigators in the execution of multiple complex investigations, including those resulting in civil litigation and criminal prosecutions. In 2011, Kristin started her current role of Assistant District Director. Throughout her time in the Minneapolis District Office, Kristin mentored multiple new investigators and has had the privilege of teaching and developing investigator basic training. Kristin established many

relationships with multiple stakeholders throughout her career and currently serves on a federal law enforcement task force to combat labor trafficking. She is the recipient of multiple Secretary of Labor Exceptional Achievement Awards and has been recognized as the Outstanding Civil Servant of the Year by the Federal Executive Board of Minnesota

## Andrés Cediél



**Andrés Cediél is a documentary filmmaker and Professor of Visual Journalism. He wrote and produced the films “Rape in the Field” and “Rape on the Night Shift,” which brought light to the rampant sexual assault of immigrant women in the agricultural and janitorial industries.** The two films, which aired in both English and Spanish, were produced at the Investigative Reporting Program (IRP) and were part of a multi-media collaboration with FRONTLINE, Univision, the Center for Investigative Reporting and KQED. The films combined to win a duPont-Columbia Journalism Award, the RFK Grant Prize for Journalism, and were nominated for four national

Emmys. He recently wrote and produced “Trafficked in America,” exposing the government’s role in the labor trafficking of Guatemalan teenagers at an Ohio egg farm. Cediél’s previous work with FRONTLINE included a series on death investigation with ProPublica, and a series on climate change for the international magazine show FRONTLINE World. Previously, he co-produced “The Judge and the General,” a dupont-Columbia Journalism winner and Emmy nominated film which chronicled human rights cases against former Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet. Cediél graduated from Brown University and received a master’s degree in journalism from the University of California, Berkeley.

## Tobias Spanier



**Tobias is an Associate Extension Professor and Educator at the Center for Community Vitality with the University of Minnesota Extension. Within Extension, Tobias works in the Leadership and Civic Engagement Program Area, where he provides leadership development research and education.** He is the co-program leader for the Minnesota Agriculture & Rural Leadership (MARL) program. This is a dynamic two-year educational experience featuring nine three-day in-state seminars, a six-day national study seminar and a 10- to 14-day international study seminar. Tobias began his educational career in the non-profit sector and the U.S. Peace Corps. He also worked in the Maryland and Minnesota public school systems, before beginning work with the University of Minnesota Extension. Tobias brings extensive experience in group facilitation, program design, curriculum development, cultural competence and evaluation to his work. He has facilitated

international leadership development experiences in several countries. Tobias is a trained administrator in several personal assessment instruments, e.g. Intercultural Development Inventory, Myers-Briggs Type Indicator, StrengthsFinder 2.0, and Everything DiSC. Tobias received his undergraduate degree in public administration and a master’s degree in education from Towson State University in Maryland.

## Mary Barron



**Mary Barron has been a Domestic Violence Advocate at the Southwest Crisis Center for nearly three years.** Mary graduated from Minnesota State University, Mankato with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Social Work. Ways Mary has advocated for women and youth include informing them of the criminal process, writing orders for protection, and helping them gain access to immigration attorneys. Mary resides in Worthington, MN with her son.

**Lisa Kremer**



**Lisa Kremer is co-founder of the organization Familias Juntas, an advocacy group for families at risk of separation because of deportation and issues of immigration.** She currently works as Coordinator of Parish Social Ministry in the Worthington area for Catholic Charities of Southern MN.

**Siv Dobrovolny, Esq.**



**Siv Dobrovolny, youth labor trafficking project attorney at [Standpoint](#), provides direct representation to victim survivors of labor trafficking. She frequently collaborates with labor union representatives, worker’s rights groups, advocates, and law enforcement to identify and address victim survivors’ legal needs.** In her position at Standpoint, she formed and trained a pro bono network of attorneys to represent trafficking survivors in their T visa applications before the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services in addition to creating a manual to provide technical assistance.

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