

South Carolina's Safe House Certification Program

The South Carolina General Assembly legislatively mandated the State Task Force to certify service providers who work directly with human trafficking victims and survivors. This requirement strengthens statewide efforts to ensure safe, trauma-informed, and consistent care for individuals impacted by trafficking.

The State Task Force partnered with Safe House Project, a national non-profit providing certification, survivor support, and safe housing options for those who have been trafficked. Through this partnership, South Carolina launched a comprehensive, standards-driven approach to evaluating and certifying residential and non-residential programs.

South Carolina became the first state to require Safe House certification as part of its statewide service delivery framework. This advancement reflects the State Task Force's commitment to supporting victim-centered, trauma-informed services for all survivors.

Below is a list of programs that have completed South Carolina's Safe House Certification Program. Each program had demonstrated compliance with rigorous standards related to safety, survivor care, organizational readiness, and trauma-informed practices.

Doors to Freedom

Minors Program—Gold

Transitional Age Youth Program—Gold



The Formation Project

Community-Based Program—Gold

Transitional Program—Emerging Leader

Emergency & Community-Based Program—Gold



Jasmine Road

Adult Long-term Program—Bronze



Mother's Nest

Independent Living Mother and Baby Program—Emerging Leader



Lighthouse for Life

Community-Based Program—Gold



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