2017 SFCAHT Modern-Day Abolitionist Award Recipients **Biographies**

Wednesday, January 11, 2017, 10:30 am San Francisco City Hall, Room 263



Molly Braun

Senior Inspector, San Francisco District Attorney's Office

Molly is a Senior Inspector with the San Francisco District Attorney's office. During her 19-year tenure with law enforcement, she has been a patrol officer with the San Francisco Police Department and an inspector with the San Francisco Attorney's Office in sexual assault, child abduction and the Special Prosecutions Unit. Her work includes many accomplishments including traveling internationally to recover abducted children and working with child victims of sexual assault. She has worked closely with child victims throughout her career, something she has found very rewarding and is very passionate about.



Kimberly Hunter

Research Analyst, Crime Strategies Unit, San Francisco District Attorney's Office

Kimberly joined the Crime Strategies Unit (CSU) as an analyst for the San Francisco District Attorney's Office in Fall 2014. Kimberly's work in CSU focuses on data mining, human trafficking and sexual assault analysis. Kimberly has a master's degree in forensic psychology where she focused her research on sexual assault survivors and the criminal justice system. Kimberly has had prior work experience as a victim advocate for the Orange County District Attorney's Office and has previously interned with the Victim Services Division of the Riverside District Attorney's Office, where she first began her work in human trafficking.



Kulvindar Rani Singh

Assistant District Attorney, San Francisco District Attorney's Office

Kulvindar Rani Singh has been a prosecutor for almost 18 years. Her career has focused on working with vulnerable populations, and she has dedicated much of time as an assistant district attorney to working with victims of sexual assault and domestic violence. Human trafficking work became her focus when she joined the sexual assault team in 2015 and embarked on a complex human trafficking case with underage victims. Her work on the *Geeter* case marked a turn in the tide for prosecution of cases of sexual exploitation. After an almost year of preparation and a three-month trial, the defendant received 97 years to life after being convicted of human trafficking of two minors as well as various other charges.

Ms. Singh continues to work on important issues surrounding the prevention and education in the area of human trafficking. She has recently contributed to a bench officer's human trafficking tool kit that will be available this year to judges throughout the state. She will also be participating in a forum with inmates from San Quentin later this month on issues surrounding the impact of human trafficking. Ms. Singh's commitment to combating human trafficking is unwavering had her commitment to victims of crime is her utmost priority.



Sarai Smith-MazariegosCEO/Founder of S.H.A.D.E and Co-Founder of M.I.S.S.S.E.Y

Sarai has been helping high risk youth in various capacities for over 15 year and has achieved groundbreaking strides in her field. She has worked with survivors of domestic violence, domestic minor sex trafficking, runaway/homeless youth, foster care/probation minors, group homes/shelters, juvenile courts, and the last 14 years supporting CSEC-specific services. Sarai is a specialist in crisis intervention and trauma informed care services for women and children who are at risk or has experienced domestic minor sex trafficking (DMST), sexual abuse.

She has extensive knowledge in residential and direct services management, victimology, youth development, and program and resource development, community building though awareness and teach in events, advocacy in addressing gender violence and social injustice with young girls. She is a member of the Executive Committee of the City of Oakland CSEC Task Force, Program Committee of San Francisco Collaborative Against Human Trafficking, SBCEHT-No Traffick Ahead, CEASE (Cities Empowered Against Sexual Exploitation) Network and Former Co-Chair of Alameda County Sexually Exploited Minors Network.

Sarai is also one of the four Co-Founders of MISSSEY and former Chairwoman for MISSSEY's Board of Directors. She was previously the Youth Support Center Site Supervisor & CSEC Program Coordinator for Alameda Family Services-DreamCatcher Runaway/Homeless Youth Services Division, where she managed a support center, provided a variety of support services to high risk youth and coordinated the development of the first Alameda County CSEC Home (Nika's Place) with the same non-profit opening in 2017. Sarai has designed trainings and trains law enforcement, service providers, health care professionals, teachers, and others on prevention, how to effectively engage and provide trauma informed care services to victims/survivors of sexual exploitation.

She is also Founder, CEO of Survivors Healing, Advising and Dedicated to Empowerment (S.H.A.D.E) Project, S.H.A.D.E is a survivor-run consulting and advocacy human trafficking organization which provides trainings, public speaking, crisis intervention-victim/survivor advocacy, program and policy development, awareness events, peer counseling and survivor leadership. Sarai feels that her own personal experience as a survivor of child commercial sexual exploitation has been a motivation and true education in being able to thrive in her journey to help other follow survivors free themselves.



Hediana Utarti Community Projects Coordinator, Asian Women's Shelter

Currently its Community Projects Coordinator, Hediana has dedicated more than 16 years to San Francisco Asian Women's Shelter. Besides serving as the point person for Anti-Trafficking Program and Services, like her co-workers, she also takes crisis line weekly and involves in AWS community building programs. Previously she lived and worked in Honolulu, Hawai'i where she obtained her Ph. D in political science. She started her community based anti-violence work in 1995, when she joined Family Peace Center in Honolulu as a Support Group Facilitator for survivors of domestic violence.