

# Sociological View on Sex Work

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# Overview of Research

- Reporting on ethnographic data:
  - Compare pro- and anti-sex work activists
- Faith based and secular organization
- Focus on Los Angeles
- Accommodations for change



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## Get Trained

TREASURES SEX INDUSTRY OUTREACH  
TRAINING

Want to reach women in the sex industry in  
your community?

We look forward to partnering with you in



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# Treasures National Outreach

- History
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- Statistics



- Programs & Services

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# History



- Founded by Harmony Dust
- Reaches over 170 strip clubs in Los Angeles, Orange County and Las Vegas
- Located in San Fernando Valley
- Provides training for 60 outreach facilities



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# Mission & Vision

- Mission:

**“Through Treasures Trainings, we are committed to train, equip and mobilize other churches and leaders to develop sex industry outreaches in their communities.”**

- Vision:

**“Our vision is to reach, restore, & equip women in the sex industry, including victims of trafficking and let them know there is a God who loves them beyond measure.”**

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# Statistics

## THE WOMEN



90%

of women in the sex industry were sexually abused as children.



70%

of interviewees in a study by Silbert and Pines noted that childhood sexual abuse had an influence on their entry into prostitution.



70%

of females who are trafficked are trafficked into the commercial sex industry (This includes Porn, Strip Clubs, and massage parlors in the US).



89%

of women in the sex industry said they wanted to escape, but had no other means for survival.



**Women in the sex industry experience Post Traumatic Stress Disorder at rates equivalent to veterans of combat war.**



# Statistics



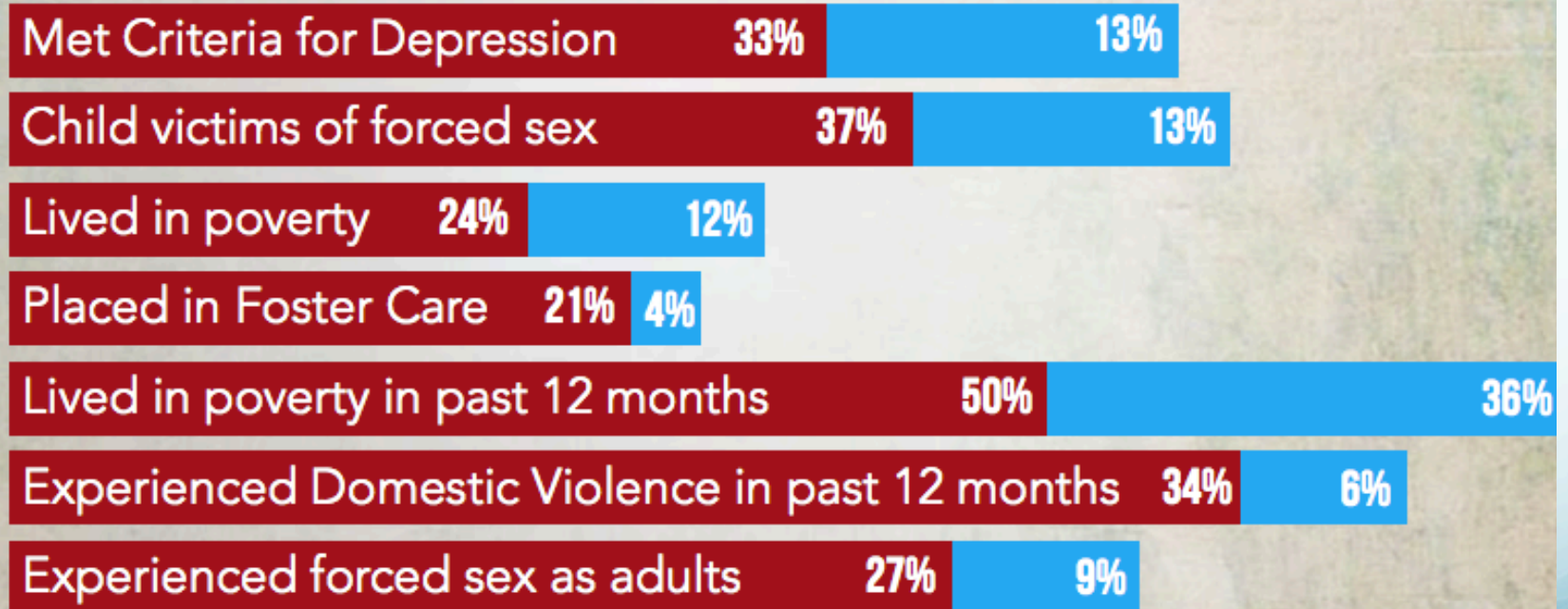
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## WOMEN IN PORN

## WOMEN NOT IN PORN



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# Programs & Services

- Outreach
- Mentoring & Support Group
- Care packages
- Retreats

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# Sex Work & Treasures

- Treasures' Goal: Encourage women:
  - Value, Purpose & Relationship with God
- Sex industry linked to sex trafficking
- Sex industry prevalence

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# Themes from Treasures Training

- Integrate faith:
  - Build a foundation at church
  - Prayer team
- Roles of other ministries

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# Themes Cont.

- Risk Factors:
  - Push factors
  - Pull factors
- Empowerment of women
- Take action

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# Conclusion

