

# 31:8 PROJECT

## DEMAND REDUCTION PROGRAM

An intermediate sentencing, diversion and education option for offenders.

*In partnership with ND Attorney General's Office, 31:8 Project, and the University of Mary.*

### INTRODUCTION

The **Demand Reduction Program (DRP)** is designed to reduce recidivism of participants through a sentence and diversion aspect involving an education program.

- Impact of prostitution and sex trafficking on communities, survivors, spouses, and children.
- Cost is \$500 for the offender to attend.
- Make participants aware of services available in their community for issues specific to DRP.



### MISSION STATEMENT

Improve the health of relationships and communities in our region through educating offenders about the impacts of their action on themselves and others.

### GOALS

- Make an intermediate sentencing/diversion and education option available for North Dakota offenders charged with purchasing prostitution.
- Decrease recidivism of participants through education regarding the impacts of participation in prostitution and sex trafficking.
- Make participants aware of services available in their community for issues covered in DRP.

### North Dakota Century Code 12.1-29-07 Offender Education Program

A sentence for an offense under section 12.1-29-06 (*Hiring an individual to engage in sexual activity*) or chapter 12.1-41 (*Uniform Act on Prevention of and Remedies for Human Trafficking*) may include an order for the offender to participate in an offender education program on the negative consequences of the commercial sex industry, including health and legal consequences and the impact on communities, survivors, spouses, and children. The court may order the offender to pay the cost of the offender education program.



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## PROGRAM CURRICULUM

### Cause of Human Trafficking

- Connection between prostitution, trafficking, and criminal activity.

### Impacts of Human Trafficking on the Buyer

- Legal ramifications, medical and health risks of further criminal activity.

### Impacts of Human Trafficking on the Victim

- Connection between their criminal activity and health, psychological, and social impacts on the victim.

### Developing Healthy Relationships and Communities

- Conditions of healthy relationships, services available to aid individuals, responsibilities as a member of a community to develop healthy personal attitudes regarding intimacy and sexuality.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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*I hope this education  
can continue to be a  
mainstream program  
in our community.*

~ Demand Reduction Program Participant

## REGISTRATION FORM

[www.318project.org/drp](http://www.318project.org/drp)

Courses held March, June, September, and December.

Registration is recommended 30 days prior to course start date.

