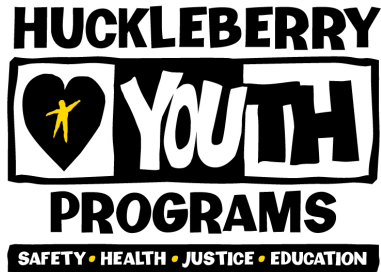


Happy New Year!

January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month and we are highlighting Huckleberry's Advocacy & Response Team (HA&RT) which provides 24/7 assistance to victims of trafficking.



Visit Our Website

View Highlights from Huckleberry's 50th Anniversary Gala



A BIG THANK YOU to all of the donors, speakers, corporate sponsors, table hosts, and attendees who helped make our [50th Anniversary Gala](#) such a huge success! Check out some of the special moments from a truly memorable event which celebrated our milestones and raised funds to continue Huckleberry services for the next 50 years!

[View highlights from the Gala here.](#)

Program Highlight
The Huckleberry Advocacy & Response Team (HA&RT)

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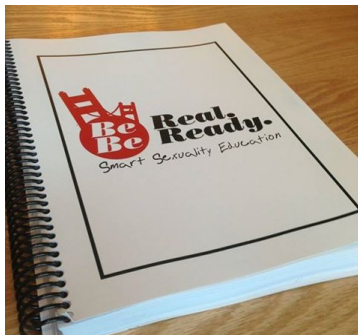


Huckleberry's Advocacy & Response Team

In 2013, San Francisco made combating human trafficking a priority and established the Mayor's Anti-Trafficking Task Force within the Dept. on the Status of Women. Through the advocacy of that Task Force, funding was set aside for a 24/7 response line to provide services to youth who have been sexually exploited in SF. Huckleberry was awarded the contract to provide these services in Feb. 2016, forming the [Huckleberry Advocacy & Response Team \(HA&RT\)](#)

HA&RT provides services designed specifically for youth ages 11-24 who are experiencing commercial sexual exploitation or who are at risk. Youth are referred by county child welfare, Juvenile Probation, school staff, and medical providers. HA&RT services include: 24/7 response; case management services and referrals to increase safety and stabilize in basic needs such as housing, school, job training/employment, mental and physical health, and legal needs; and one-one-one prevention sessions that provide psycho-education around trafficking, vulnerability, boundaries, and consent.

[San Francisco Public Schools Include Human Trafficking in Health Curriculum](#)



Huckleberry's HA&RT team has been instrumental in adding human trafficking prevention lessons to San Francisco's middle and high school health education curriculum known as, "Be Real. Be Ready." HA&RT Intervention Services Coordinator Carly Devlin says, "For middle school students, we talk about situations under the context of consent and boundaries. We talk about why it is important to have boundaries not just with strangers, but with people you know, because often traffickers are known people in a child's life." [Read more about Huckleberry's partnership on trafficking curriculum in SF schools in the Chronicle of Social Change.](#)

HA&RT Results

- HA&RT provided case management and emergency response to 89 youth at risk of exploitation between July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017
- 85% of youth eligible for ongoing case management continued to engage in case management.

January 2018 Funder Thank You

THANK YOU to [Vin Antico](#) and [Heffernan Foundation](#) for partnering to host a fundraiser for Huckleberry on Wednesday, December 6, 2017.

[Vin Antico](#) in San Rafael donated 100% of their sales to Huckleberry that day, resulting in a \$3,000 donation for our programs! Heffernan Foundation also recently awarded the [Huckleberry Wellness Academies](#) a \$5,000 grant!

Get Involved with Huckleberry in 2018

Join Huckleberry's Young Professionals Board



Huckleberry's longevity is a testament to the agency's values, and our ability to adapt and grow to meet the ever-changing needs of our community. Each year, we host two major FUNdraisers along with smaller, social gatherings like Cocktails for a Cause/charity bartending nights, shopping events, exclusive dining experiences, and shows/performances.

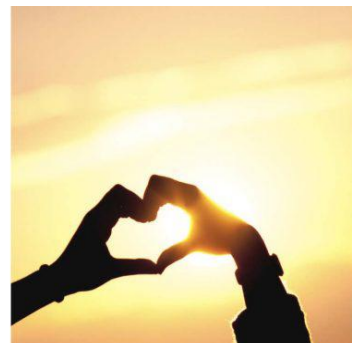
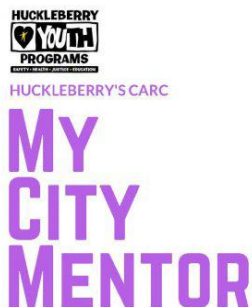
We are seeking Young Professionals who are ages 25 to 35 and are passionate about our mission, and interested in using their knowledge, skills, expertise, and network to raise awareness and mobilize support for Huckleberry Youth Programs.

Why You Should Join:

- Because our mission resonates with you
- To grow your professional development skills
- Because you want to give back to an awesome cause
- To sharpen your management and leadership skills
- To hang out/network with other community-conscious young professionals

[Learn more about joining Huckleberry's Young Professionals Board!](#)

Become a Huckleberry Mentor



The [Huckleberry Community Assessment and Resource Center \(CARC\)](#) is a single point of entry for crisis intervention, assessment, service integration and referral of arrested youth. Staff from juvenile probation, public health, the sheriff's department, the police department, and community-

based organizations work together in the same space to assess and case manage youth who are arrested for a variety of offenses, both felony and misdemeanor. CARC is currently recruiting mentors! Join our team and make a difference in a young person's life.

[Sign up to make a difference in the life of a young person!](#)

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