

Operation Underground Railroad (OUR) Announces New Senior Leadership Team For Global Operations and Survivor Care

SALT LAKE CITY – April 4, 2024 – Operation Underground Railroad (OUR) a leading non-profit organization dedicated to working with law enforcement to fight human trafficking and provide comprehensive and compassionate survivor care, today announced the appointments of five senior leaders to newly created roles within the organization. Along with CEO Tammy Lee, these five leaders will comprise OUR's new Global Operations Team.

“The formation of the new Global Operations Team is a pivotal step in OUR's evolution as we redefine the way we work with law enforcement and our global footprint for operations and survivor care,” said Tammy Lee, OUR's Chief Executive Officer. “This is the right team with the right skills to carry out our mission of supporting law enforcement in rescue and arrest efforts and providing comprehensive care to survivors of human trafficking and sexual exploitation. As we chart a new course for OUR, I am fully confident in this team's ability to lead with integrity and expand the impact of our work.”

The new senior leadership appointments are:

- **Nate Davis**, Senior Vice President, Global Operations & Survivor Care and Leader of Global Operations Team

In this pivotal new role, Davis spearheads the strategic planning and execution of global anti-trafficking efforts, aiming to boost operational efficiency and effectiveness and ensuring comprehensive survivor care. After a long tenure in law enforcement, Davis joined OUR in 2021 as the Deputy Regional Director of Asia, where he led substantial expansion of the organization's impact across the continent. Under his leadership, OUR established a presence in three new countries, doubled the number of operations, arrests, and rescues in the region's most active office, and launched the organization's first owned electronic storage detection (ESD) K9 program. Davis reports to CEO Tammy Lee.

- **Dodd DuPree**, Vice President, Operations, Europe & the Americas and Government Liaison

DuPree now leads OUR's on-the-ground missions within Europe and the Americas and acts as the primary interface between OUR and government agencies, facilitating collaborations and securing support for the organization's work. DuPree joined OUR in 2021 as Regional Operations Director for Europe. Prior to his work with OUR, DuPree worked for thirty-two years in federal law enforcement, including serving over twenty years as a special agent with Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), seventeen of which were spent in the highly specialized International Operations division. DuPree reports to Davis in his operations role and to Lee as Government Liaison.

- **Dan Ogden**, Vice President, Cyber Operations

Utilizing his decades of experience in digital forensics, cybercrime prevention, and law enforcement, Ogden oversees the OUR's cyber intelligence programs that inform rescue missions and gather critical evidence to help law enforcement rescue survivors and convict traffickers. Ogden also works directly with law enforcement to provide them the training and tools they need to identify cyber criminals and make arrests. He reports to Davis and supports OUR's cyber operations worldwide. He joined OUR's cyber operations team in 2022. Ogden has more than 20 years of law enforcement experience. Most recently, he served as a Deputy Director for the Cybercrime Lab within the United States Department of Justice. He also spent 13 years working for the Brevard County Sheriff's Office as an Agent and Forensic Analyst.

- **Katrina Mariswamy**, Vice President, Survivor Care, Asia, Middle East, Africa & Australia

Mariswamy oversees OUR's comprehensive survivor care programs in Asia, the Middle East, Africa & Australia. She began working with OUR in 2021 and helped establish OUR's office in Malaysia. She was promoted to Deputy Regional Director for Survivor Care – Asia in April 2022, and assumed the position of Regional Director for Survivor Care – Asia in October 2023. Prior to joining OUR, Mariswamy served as the trauma informed consultant for the Disrupting Harm research project (a partnership between UNICEF, INTERPOL, and EPCAT International) where she interviewed young female Malaysian survivors who had experienced online sexual exploitation and abuse. Mariswamy has over a decade of experience working with survivors of violence and trauma and has worked with international organizations including United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and International Catholic Migration Commission (ICMC).

- **Kourtney Austin**, Vice President, Survivor Care, Europe and the Americas

Austin now oversees comprehensive survivor care programs in the Americas and Europe. Austin comes to the role with a track record of advocating for vulnerable populations. Early in her career, Austin worked for Utah State University and was instrumental in creating a 24/7 team to respond to hospitals and police reports surrounding sexual assaults, domestic violence, and interpersonal violence. Austin's promotion comes after serving as OUR's Global Director of Survivor Care Operations.

Nate Davis, Senior Vice President, Global Operations & Survivor Care and Leader of the Global Operations team, said "Leading this team is an honor and affords me the opportunity to collaborate with leaders who share a passion for mission and common goal of eradicating human trafficking. Together, we will deepen our partnerships with law enforcement and other NGOs to help build capacity and provide the necessary resources, police interventions, and arrests as we continue to provide care for survivors to rebuild their lives and provide hope for a brighter future."

About Operation Underground Railroad (OUR)

Headquartered in Utah with centers of excellence in Minneapolis and Florida, OUR is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to the fight against child sexual exploitation and human trafficking worldwide. Founded in 2013, OUR's work spans the globe and includes assisting law enforcement with highly trained personnel, intelligence gathering, capacity building, and contributing hardware, specialized tools, training and support to law enforcement agencies. OUR also supports and provides comprehensive survivor care with a specially trained case workers, capacity building and contributing training and resources to local facilities. For more information, please visit OURrescue.org.

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