

What is Prax(us)?

Prax(us) is the only organization in Colorado dedicated to serving individuals, particularly homeless youth (ages 13-29), in or vulnerable to domestic human trafficking situations. Utilizing both harm reduction and anti-oppression philosophies, we address the root causes of exploitation.

We use harm reduction with youth because we believe that all people should be as cared for and safe as possible in whatever situations they find themselves. We believe people define their own goals to stay safe.

Prax(us) maintains that oppression is the main cause of inequality and suffering. Anti-oppression work is an effort to take apart these systems of unequal power in order to undo this suffering and inequality. Our goal is to replace them with systems that are community-based, and fully value the humanity of all people.

Who We Serve

We work primarily with homeless youth (ages 13 to 29) who are vulnerable to or currently in domestic human trafficking situations. Youth who have experienced abuse, transgender youth, gay, lesbian, bisexual youth, young women, and youth of color are more likely to experience homelessness, and are disproportionately impacted by domestic human trafficking.

The name Prax(us) comes from the work "Praxis," which is defined in Paulo Freire's book Pedagogy of the Oppressed as "reflection and action upon the world in order to transform it." We believe that in order to transform the world, we need both broad reflection and action.

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