

# Recent Legislative Initiatives in the U.S.

- The Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 and last reauthorized in 2008
- Since 2003, 46 U.S. States and the District of Columbia have signed legislation into law
- In 2011, 155 bill were introduced in 33 states to combat some aspect of human trafficking

# New Questions

- How is the four paradigm approach—prosecution, protection, prevention, and partnerships—to combating human trafficking working in practice?
- How are recent initiatives working in practice?
- Which specific policies and programs are working well in practice?
- Which specific policies and programs are not working well?

# Next Step

- We need to develop and implement formal methods of evaluating the effectiveness of recent laws, policies, and programs