

Survivor Voices of Human Trafficking
Biography
James Dold

James Dold was trafficked into child labor and sexual exploitation by a neighbor when he was a teenager. With help from some trusted adults, he was able to free himself from his abuser. After graduating from high school, he went to the University of Nevada Las Vegas, where he received dual degrees in Criminal Justice and Psychology and then graduated Cum Laude from the University of Maryland School of Law. He worked for a large anti-trafficking non-profit for some years, where he led successful state legislative campaigns resulting in the passage of 40 new anti-human trafficking laws across the country. He also developed and implemented the advocacy strategy that led to the quadrupling of states that ban life without parole sentences for children before founding Human Rights for Kids (HRFK), a D.C.-based non-profit organization dedicated to promoting and protecting the human rights of children in the U.S. and around the world.