

"Kala Bray prostituted trafficked children, tricking them and making them suffer abuse for her personal gain," said Assistant Attorney General Breuer. "Though nothing can undo the damage Bray caused, this sentence underscores our continued commitment to protecting our nation's children and punishing those who would do them harm."

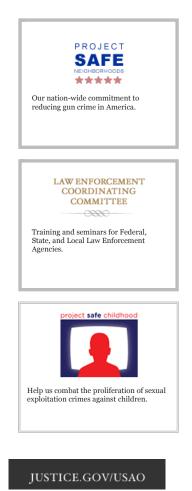
"Today's sentencing is a result of the dedicated efforts of the FBI and our law enforcement partners, and demonstrates that we will not tolerate the exploitation of minors," said Aaron T. Ford, Special Agent in Charge of the Memphis Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. "Human trafficking investigations are a priority for the FBI, and we will continue to target those who victimize children and seek to profit from sex trafficking."

The case was investigated by the FBI working in conjunction with the Memphis Police Department and the Bartlett Police Department. FBI Special Agent Michael Saltsman was the lead investigator on the case. Assistant United States Attorney Jonathan Skrmetti and Trial Attorney Mike Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section prosecuted the case.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and CEOS, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

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