

UNITED STATES MARSHALS SERVICE (USMS)



MISSING CHILD LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE



The Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act

(2015) USMS granted permission to “assist state, local and other federal law enforcement agencies, upon request of such an agency, in locating and recovering missing children.”

- ☐ **Family Abductions**
- ☐ **Non-Family Abductions**
- ☐ **Endangered Runaways**
- ☐ **Lost Children**
- ☐ **Injured Children**
- ☐ **Otherwise Missing**

HOW TO REQUEST USMS ASSISTANCE

The USMS can assist if:
there is a full extradition
warrant for the abductor or
missing child
or
the child is a suspected victim
of violent crime
or
LE indicates elevated risk to the
missing child
and
local USMS resources are
available.

1. Ensure child is entered into NCIC.
2. Contact the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) at 1-800 843-5678 to report the missing child.
3. Contact your local USMS District office or Task Force: www.usmarshals.gov
 - 3a. Request Form USM-641 to be completed and submitted back to USMS personnel.
 - 3b. Articulate the risk factors to the child.
4. Ensure arrangements are made in advance for the custody of the missing child upon recovery.

Responsibility for any associated criminal investigation and collection of evidence is retained by lead agency, not the US Marshals Service.

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