



Legal Options for Trafficked and Underserved Survivors



*“Untold Stories literally changed my life. I went from attempting suicide and being nearly homeless to speaking to hundreds of students as a “thriver” in the span of two years. My first poem that was published is on my bedside table so that I never forget how much is possible when you find that voice inside you.” Nadine J, 2016 Participant*

## LOTUS Legal Clinic’s Untold Stories

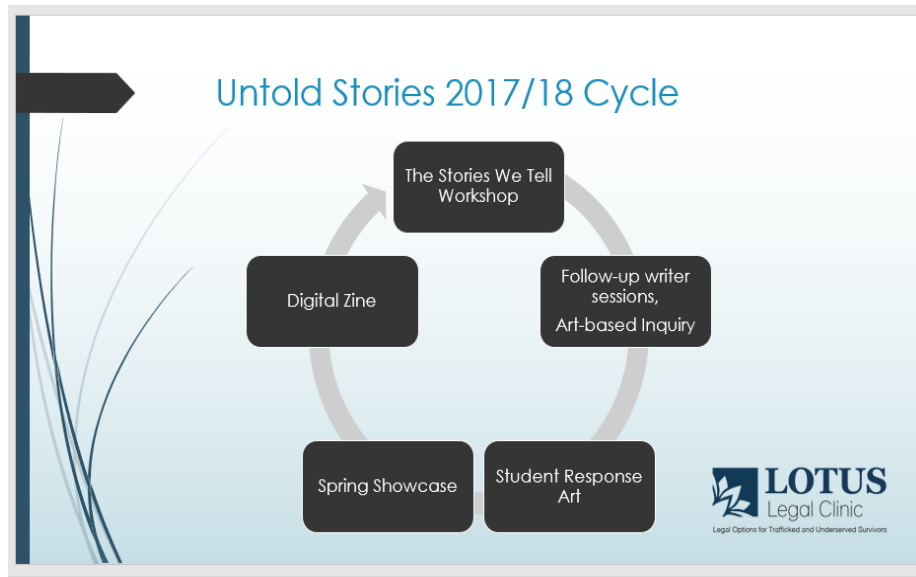
**Overview:** Untold Stories is a **survivor empowerment** program of LOTUS Legal Clinic, a Milwaukee-based nonprofit providing services to victims of gender-based violence and human trafficking through trauma-informed legal advocacy, policy, education and survivor empowerment.

Now in its sixth year, the program works through collaborative partnerships including the law, humanities, and the creative arts to create change about sexual violence across cultures, races, religions, genders, abilities and ages.

The program consists of these key **elements**, in order:



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- 1) Fall writing workshop “The Stories We Tell”™, from the Voices and Faces Project hosted at Jewish Museum Milwaukee
- 2) Follow up writing and art therapy sessions with workshop 2017 cohort
- 3) Response art creation by high schools facilitated by Arts @ Large and Mount Mary Graduate Art Therapy interns
- 4) Spring showcase featuring art, writing and spoken work performance by students and survivors/writers
- 5) E-zine release featuring art and writing chosen from all 6 past cycles of Untold Stories

**Partner Organizations:**

Voices and Faces Project, Jewish Museum Milwaukee, Arts @ Large, LOTUS Legal Clinic, Mount Mary University Art Therapy Graduate Department, Mount Mary University Graduate English Department.

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