



What is Human Trafficking?

Trafficking involves:

Trafficking can include both sexual exploitation and labor. Anyone under 18 involved in selling sex is considered a trafficking victim under "Safe Harbor" laws in Pennsylvania.

Force: Traffickers may use a weapon, strength or physical violence, restraint, or find another way to cause harm. The goal is often to make the trafficking survivor do something, stay somewhere, or submit to the trafficker against their will.

Fraud: Fraud often involves lying or withholding information. With human trafficking, fraud often involves false promises of jobs or other opportunities.

Coercion: Traffickers may also use threats of harm, or share information that makes a person believe they have no choice. This may involve threats of police involvement; withholding food, shelter, or medical care; deportation; or removing children.

REPORT

National Human
Trafficking Resource
Center (NHTRC)

Call 1-888-373-7888

Text 233733

or report online at
humantraffickinghotline.org

Homeland Security
Investigations (HSI)

Call (866) 347 - 2423 (toll free
from the U.S & Canada) or

report tips online at
www.ice.gov/tips

GET SUPPORT:

Call 24/7 local support lines
at 717-272-5308 or
570-628-2965

Request services:

info@sarccheals.org

SAFETY & HEALING ARE POSSIBLE

Indicators of Trafficking

Physical Indicators:

- Scars, bruises, burns, lacerations, bite marks, cigarette burns at different healing stages.
- Untreated infections /inflammations/STI's
- Addiction to illegal substances.
- Clothing which is inappropriate for the weather or time of day
- Tattoos/Branding (Initials, names, money symbols, bar codes, chains)

Possession Indicators:

- No control over personal items (ID, passport/visas, money, etc.)
- Multiple phones
- Gift cards and cash only
- Condoms/lubes

Control Indicators:

- Does the person have freedom of movement?
- Does the person have freedom of contact?
- Does person seem to be monitored by another?
- Has the person or family been threatened with harm if person attempts to escape?
- Does the person know where they're final destination is while traveling?

Behavioral Indicators:

- Seems coached/ frightened/ hostile with authority figures
- Avoids answering questions, eye contact, or lets others speak for them
- Dissociation/Suicidal ideation
- Truancy/no control over schedule/ absences
- Person looks submissive, tense, and/or paranoid
- Disoriented/Lost/Confused

Environment Indicators:

- Lacks personal possessions and/or appears to have unstable living situation?
- Unable to leave freely when they please.

Labor Indicators:

- Wages taken by someone else
- Very long and/or unusual hours
- Person recruited for one purpose and forced to engage in other job
- Dangerous working conditions
- Dangerous living quarters provided by an employer
- Isolated from support
- Threatened with deportation by boss or higher management

Did you know?

- Traffickers can be anyone (parents, friends, lovers, siblings, employers, or strangers).
- Often know how to manipulate their victims.
- Often feed on vulnerabilities.
- Can go back and forth between loving and violent behavior.
- May promise things that are too good to be true.
- May appear to be the most stable person in a victim's life.
- May lavish the victim with expensive gifts or clothing.
- May also manipulate friends and family of the victim.

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