



**HUMAN
TRAFFICKING**
BREAK THE CYCLE

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

STANDARD EDITION

WHAT IS EXPLOITATION?

To use someone or something, usually selfishly for profit.

Treating someone poorly or unfairly to benefit from it, or taking advantage of someone against their will.

Examples: bullying, blackmail



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Examples of **force**: physical assault, hitting, use of a weapon

Examples of **fraud**: lying, false job, false promises

Examples of **coercion**: threats, mind games, manipulation



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Victims do not have to be physically chained or locked in a room to be **held** against their will.

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What is **profit**? It can be anything with commercial value. It does not have to be cash.

Examples: new phone, meal/food, place to sleep, drugs, manicure, new clothes/shoes

TWO MAIN TAKEAWAYS

HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS A BUSINESS

- It's about supply and demand.
- Business is product or service is sold to a buyer. In human trafficking, the product or service is a person.
- There can be “employees” at various levels recruiting, grooming and looking out for new young people to target and take advantage.
- Human trafficking is the 2nd largest illegal business in the world.
- **Human trafficking is a crime.**

TRAFFICKERS ARE EXPERTS

- at finding vulnerabilities
- at exploiting vulnerabilities
- at running this illegal business
- **Traffickers are criminals.**

HUMAN TRAFFICKING EQUATION

ACTION

Recruitment
Transporting
Harboring
Receiving

POWER

Force
Fraud
Coercion

PURPOSE

Commercial
Exchange +
Exploitation

THE TRAFFICKERS

WHO ARE THE TRAFFICKERS?

RELATIONSHIP TO THE VICTIM

- Significant other/Spouse
- Family member
- Neighbor or friend
- Business owner/Employer
- Organize crime
- Agricultural operation
- Stranger

WHO CAN BE TRAFFICKED?

- Anyone with a **vulnerability** (a fear or desire)
- Anyone who uses social media, gaming apps, chat rooms or other apps
- Anyone in poverty or wealth
- Anyone with a difficult home life or seemingly perfect homelife
- Boys and girls
- Children, teens and adults
- A friend at school, a teammate,...
- **Anyone**

WHAT IS VULNERABILITY?

Someone being able to be hurt physically or emotionally. It can also mean someone having their guard down, opening themselves up for physical or mental attack.

Examples of vulnerability:

- **Fear of harm/Wanting to be safe**
- **Fear of missing out/Wanting to be included or wanting to be seen**
- **Fear of being alone/Wanting to belong or be a part of a group**
- **Fear of not being liked/Wanting to be liked or loved**
- **Fear of shame/Wanting to look or seem perfect**
- **Fear of failure or disappointment/Wanting to succeed or be good at something or wanting to not disappoint someone**

VULNERABILITY FACTORS



TYPES OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Sex trafficking

Labor trafficking

Organ trafficking

SEX TRAFFICKING



Sex trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery in which individuals perform commercial sex through the use of force, fraud or coercion.

Minors under the age of 18 engaging in commercial sex are considered to be victims of human trafficking, regardless of the use of force, fraud or coercion.

Sex traffickers frequently target their victim and then use violence, threats, lies, false promises, debt bondage or other forms of control and manipulation to keep victims involved in the sex industry for their own profit.

83% occurs before the age of 23

SEX TRAFFICKING

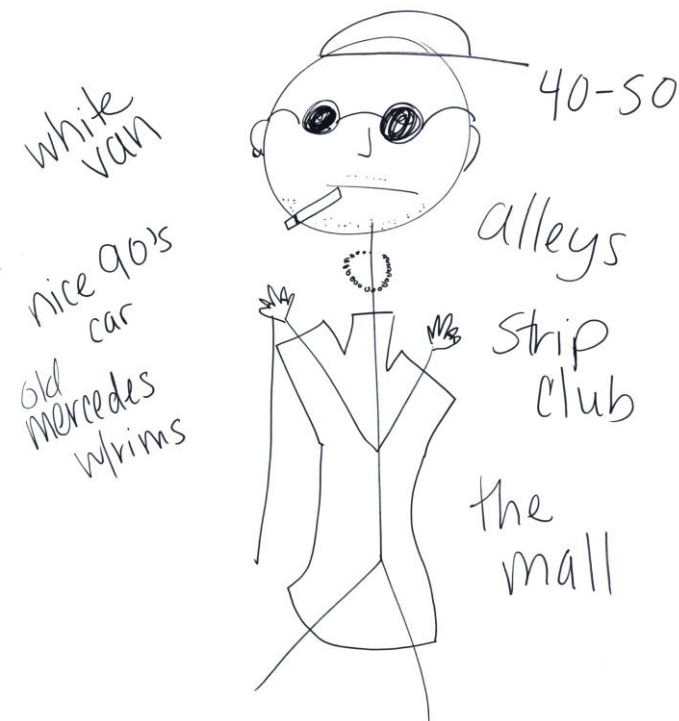
4 MAIN TYPES OF TRAFFICKERS

- **Pimp** (Romeo) is a person who lies/tricks their boyfriend/girlfriend that they love them. The pimp insists that to show their love, or afford the nice things they want, the boyfriend/girlfriend must perform sex acts in exchange for profit.
- **Gang** is a network of people who profit from selling a person for sex or work.
Scouts, bottoms, trap queens, links, baby mama, bae, wifey, elders, olders, etc.
- **Familial** is a family member(s) who profits from selling a person for sex or work.
- **Renegade** is a person who sells themselves to provide for their needs.
LGBTQ, homeless, former sex trafficking victim

SEX TRAFFICKING



COMMON TRAFFICKER DESCRIPTIONS



SEX TRAFFICKING



GROOMING is a process in which a predator gradually gains a person's trust with the intent to exploit them. The purpose is to manipulate the person into becoming a co-operating participant in their own abuse or exploitation, which reduces the likelihood of a disclosure and increases the likelihood that the victim will become attached and repeatedly return to the perpetrator.

The **groomer** works hard to build trust with their victim while simultaneously discrediting the trustworthiness of those closest to the victim.

STAGES OF GROOMING

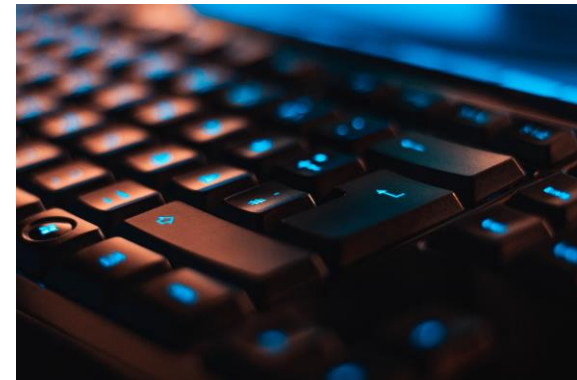
1. Targeting a victim
2. Gaining trust and information
3. Filling a need
4. Isolation
5. Abuse begins
6. Maintain control

SEX TRAFFICKING



WHERE ARE THEY WORKING?

- Remote interactive sexual acts through webcams, chats, phone lines
- Personal sexual servitude like long period purchases for periodic sex acts or non-consenting marriages
- Pornography
- Bars, clubs and cantinas
- Outdoor solicitation
- Illicit massage, health and beauty storefronts
- Escort services



LABOR TRAFFICKING

Labor trafficking is when individuals are forced to perform labor or services against their will.

Most labor trafficking is under reported due to language barriers, illegal immigration status and fear (vulnerability).

Top recruitment tactics are job offers, false promises/fraud, smuggling, family members and posing as a benefactor.

Agriculture is the most common industry in Florida.

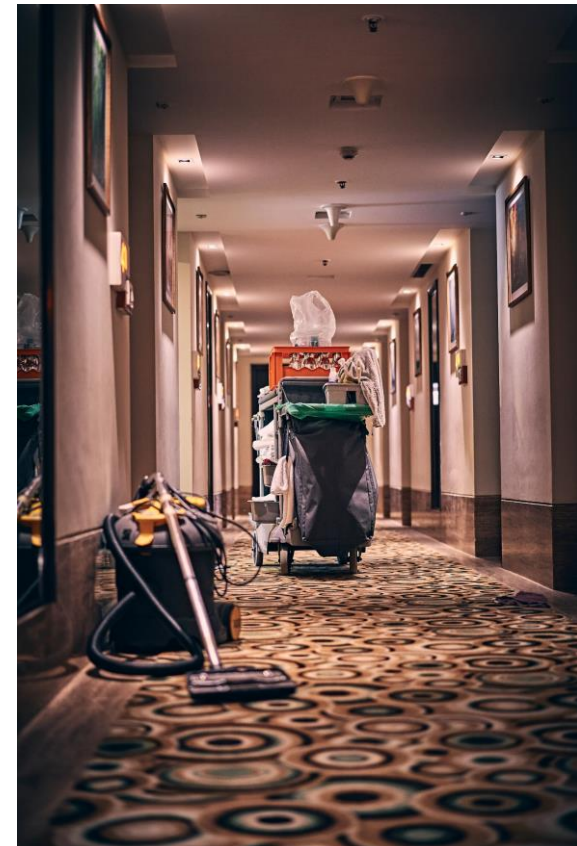


LABOR TRAFFICKING



WHERE ARE THEY WORKING?

- Recreational facilities like amusement parks, golf courses, summer camps and community pools
- Nursing homes and home health aides
- Carnivals
- Product and food factories and manufacturing
- Commercial cleaning services
- Landscaping
- Hotels and hospitality



LABOR TRAFFICKING



WHERE ARE THEY WORKING?

- Arts and entertainment, including exotic dancing
- Construction
- Salons, spas and other health and beauty facilities
- Agriculture and animal husbandry
- Restaurants, bars, clubs and food trucks
- Domestic work



GLOBAL ISSUE

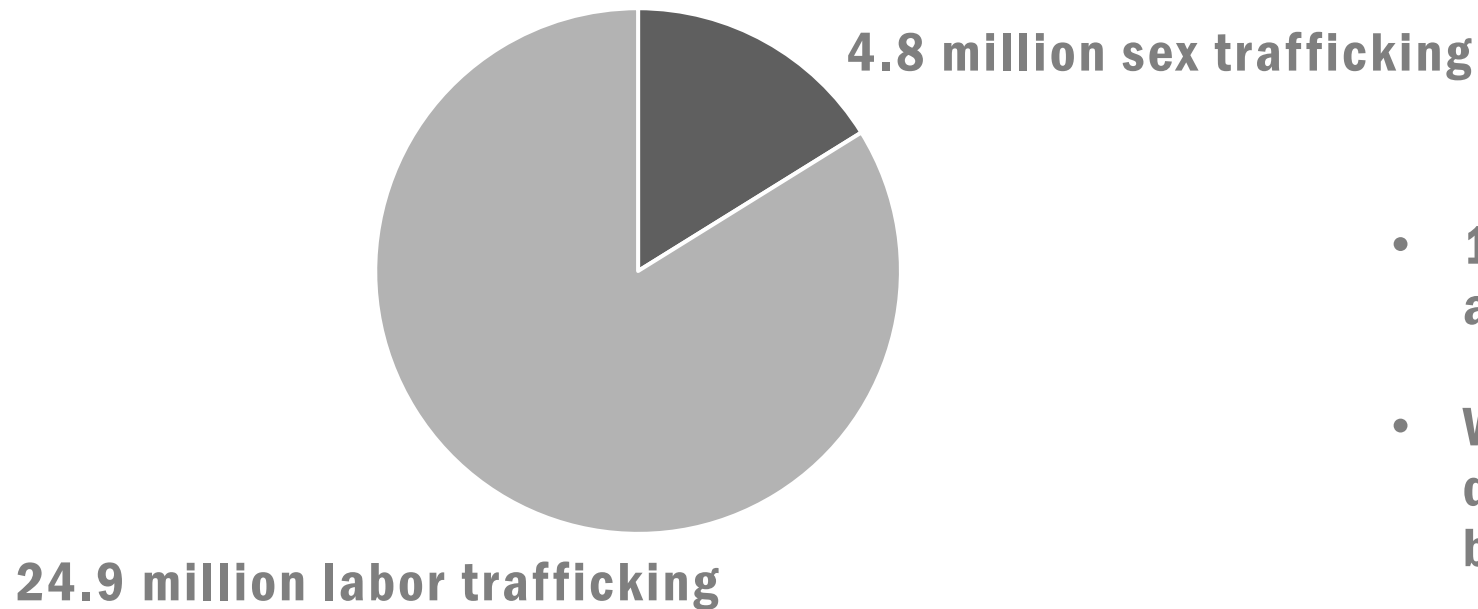


**HOW MANY
PEOPLE ARE
TRAFFICKED
GLOBALLY?**

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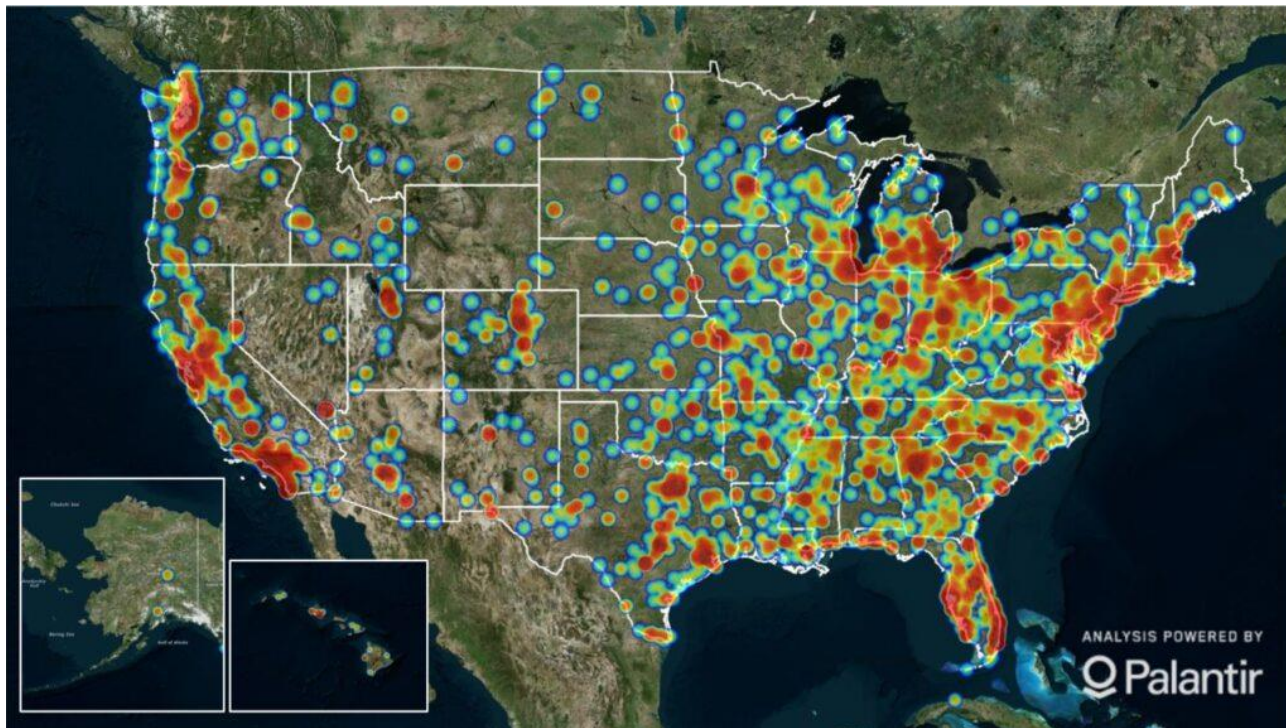


20-40 MILLION ARE TRAFFICKED GLOBALLY



- 1 in 4 modern slavery victims are children
- Women and girls are disproportionately affected by forced labor

LOCAL ISSUE



**FLORIDA RANKS
3RD IN THE
NATION FOR
HUMAN
TRAFFICKING**

LOCAL ISSUE



While growing up, Savannah watched her mom come and go. She was exposed to drugs for as long as she could remember.

At 11 years old, Savannah was sold by her mom \$10 worth of drugs.

She was forbidden to talk about what happened at home or in her life to anyone at school.

It was the life she knew, and she did not know it was wrong.



Savannah's Story: This was a girl in school just like everyone else.

LOCAL ISSUE



Savannah was placed in foster care because of neglect, but the trafficking was not mentioned since she was taught to not talk about it. Trafficking continued in foster care.

She was sent to the hospital for cuts and burns. It was how she acted out to deal with her pain. Nobody questioned the situation. Foster workers just described her as a bad kid.

She asked teachers for detentions because she did not want to go home. Again, nobody asked an 8th grade student why she did not want to go home.

Savannah's Story: You could be the one to say something that makes a difference.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Know the **red flags**.

Do not ignore that gut feeling or things that do not seem right.

Know how to **safely report**.



KNOW IT



DON'T
IGNORE IT



REPORT IT

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

KNOW THE RED FLAGS

- Sudden and drastic changes in style/clothing
- Behavior changes (withdrawn, depressed, aggressive, etc.)
- Has new and expensive items suddenly (prepaid phone, latest phone, jewelry, etc.)
- Brags about sexual experience with multiple people
- Social media posts
- New tattoos
- Excess amounts of cash
- Attendance issues at school
- Abnormally tired in school
- Cuts, bruises, burns and other marks on body
- Dating older boys/girls



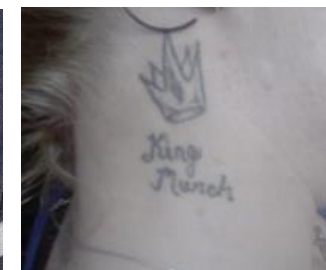
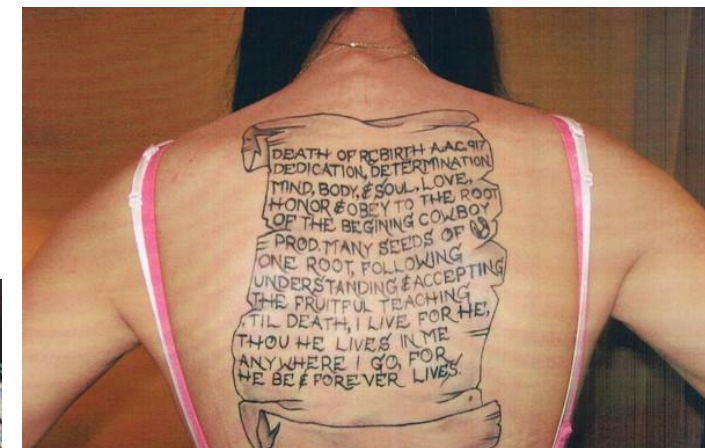
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WHAT CAN YOU DO?

BRANDING TATTOOS

- It's more than a tattoo. It is a symbol of trauma, reminding a victim they are not in control.
- It is to remind them they are the property of someone else.
- It is dehumanizing and causes victims to feel worthless.
- It shows other traffickers that this person is already someone's property.

KNOW IT



WHAT CAN YOU DO?

KNOW HOW TO SAFELY REPORT

- If you or someone you know is being trafficked in the moment, call 911. Police are trained on how to safely diffuse the situation and get the person to safety. Callers can remain anonymous. The police are there to help.
- If you suspect you or someone you know is being trafficked, call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 888-3737-888. Callers can remain anonymous.

National Human Trafficking Hotline

Call: 1-888-373-7888

TTY: 711

***Text: 233733**

Chat Online: humantraffickinghotline.com/chat



REPORT IT

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Consider what proactive role you can have as a **parent, employer, aunt, uncle, friend, coworker** or **community member**.

We all have opportunity to educate loved ones, keep our eyes open, not be a part of demand and be equipped to report.

How can you apply what you learned today?

Continue to learn.



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Placing Hope In A
Child's Future

ABOUT US

WHY WE DO IT

IN 2001, PLACE OF HOPE BEGAN CARING FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN ABUSED, ABANDONED AND NEGLECTED, INCLUDING THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

TRAFFICKERS TARGET MANY OF THE VULNERABILITIES OF CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE.

WE VALUE THE CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY AND AROUND THE WORLD.

**To help the vulnerable
and to support victims,
we must educate our
community and
address demand.**



Placing Hope In A
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WHAT WE DO

WE HAVE A DEDICATED TEAM SPECIALLY TRAINED TO WRAP AROUND YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS AFFECTED BY HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

WE PROVIDE COMMUNITY EDUCATION LIKE THIS IN SCHOOLS, OFFICES, MEDICAL FACILITIES, CHURCHES AND WHEREVER YOU ARE.

WE CREATED A DOCUMENTARY TO EXTEND EDUCATION AND PROVIDE A RESOURCE FOR YOU TO SHARE.



WHAT CAN **YOU** DO?

GIVE FINANCIALLY TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAM. DONATE ITEMS FOR THE NEEDS OF SURVIVORS IN OUR CARE.

TELL OTHERS THAT WE CAN BRING THIS PRESENTATION TO THEM. CONTACT US TO HOST A PRESENTATION.

TELL EVERYONE YOU KNOW ABOUT WHAT YOU LEARNED TODAY. SHARE OUR DOCUMENTARY ON YOUTUBE.

WATCH AND SHARE

Anyone **under the age of 18** involved in a sex act does not need to prove force, fraud and coercion.



INVISIBLE

A FIGHT TO END HUMAN TRAFFICKING

HEAR MORE ABOUT SAVANNAH'S STORY

LEARN MORE FROM PROFESSIONALS
FIGHTING TRAFFICKING

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT [INVISIBLEPOH.ORG](https://invisiblepoh.org)

THANK YOU



**THIS HUMAN TRAFFICKING
PREVENTION AND EDUCATION IS
A PROGRAM OF PLACE OF HOPE.**

PRESENTATION SOURCES

polarisproject.org
humantraffickinghotline.org
fighttoendexploitation.org