

Human Trafficking

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There is **NO** more urgent crisis than the exploitation of a child.

Predators are...

- More Transient
- More Sophisticated
- And More Brutal than in the Past
- And They Attack Our **MOST PRECIOUS** Assets

What is Human Trafficking?

Sex Trafficking: in which a commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such act has not attained 18 years of age;

(Commercial means anything of value exchanged such as money, drugs, shelter, food or clothes. i.e. prostitution, pornography, and sexual acts)

Labor Trafficking: The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjecting to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery. (1)

Force-can involve the use of physical restraint or serious physical harm. Physical violence, including rape, beatings, and physical confinement, is often employed as a means to control victims, especially during the early stages of victimization, when the trafficker breaks down the victim's resistance.

Fraud-involves false promises regarding employment, wages, working conditions, or other matters. For example, individuals might travel to another country under the promise of well-paying work at a farm or factory only to find themselves manipulated into forced labor. Others might reply to advertisements promising modeling, nanny, or service industry jobs overseas, but be forced into prostitution once they arrive at their destination.

Coercion-an involve threats of serious harm to or physical restraint against any person; any scheme, plan or pattern intended to cause a person to believe that failure to perform an act would result in serious harm to or physical restraint against any person; or the abuse or threatened abuse of the legal process. (Office On Trafficking In Persons, 2012)

Labor Trafficking

Involuntary servitude- is a United States legal and constitutional term for a person laboring against that person's will to benefit another, under some form of coercion other than the worker's financial needs.

Peonage-is a system where an employer compels a worker to pay off a debt with work.

Slavery-is for life and Involuntary servitude is for a certain period of time.

Labor Trafficking

Vulnerabilities-

1. Immigration status
2. Debt
3. Isolation
4. Poverty
5. Lack of strong labor protections

Labor Trafficking

Examples-

1. Domestic Work
2. Traveling sales crews
3. Peddling and Begging
4. Construction
5. Commercial Cleaning services
6. Agriculture
7. Factories and Manufacturing
8. Hotels and Hospitality
9. Restaurant

Signal Shipyard

- According to the lawsuit, Signal International recruited the workers from India through the federal H-2B guest worker program to work at its facilities in Texas and Mississippi in the aftermath of hurricanes Katrina and Rita.
- They had to pay 11,000-25,000 to come under false promises of green cards and good paying jobs for their family.
- EEOC alleged Signal subjected the men to a pattern or practice of race and national origin discrimination, including unfavorable working conditions and forcing the men to pay \$1,050 a month to live in overcrowded, unsanitary, guarded camps.
- As many as 24 men were forced to live in containers the size of a double-wide trailer, while non-Indian workers were not required to live in these camps. Signal and its agents threatened these plaintiffs with deportation, and perpetuated a campaign of psychological abuse, coercion and fraud.

Rapid Assessment Belhaven Social Work Department under the auspices of Shared Hope International

- September, 2014, an assessment team was compiled to perform a Rapid Assessment developed by Shared Hope International to study the scope of Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking in Hinds, Rankin, Warren and Madison counties.
- Assessors contacted members of law enforcement, prosecutors, public defenders, juvenile court judges, juvenile detention centers, government agencies, and non-governmental service providers in an effort to gain involvement.
- An estimated 90 children were identified among interviewees as victims of DMST in recent years.
- The research found familial trafficking the most common among these victims.

Sex Trafficking

Examples-

- 1 Familial trafficking-when family members allow their children to be sexually exploited in exchange for something of value, money, drugs, rent etc.
- 2 Pimp controlled trafficking-occurs when an individual controls a victim engaged in commercial sex acts.
- 3 Gang controlled trafficking- Differs from pimp controlled in that the entire gang controls the victim.
- 4 Survival sex-victims exchange sexual services for food, cell phone or a place to stay.

Criminality of Pimps

1. Pimps take all the money from their victims
2. Pimp's earnings could be between \$5,000 and \$32,000 per week or more
3. Pimps engage in money laundering, income tax evasion and other associated criminal activity

Sex Trafficking

Vulnerabilities-

- 1 Children who are chronically missing or who frequently run away (especially 3+ missing incidents).
- 2 Children who have experienced childhood sexual abuse especially if the abuse was unreported or unaddressed, or resulted in the child being removed from the home.
- 3 Children who have experienced prior sexual assault or rape.
- 4 Children with significant substance abuse issues or who live with someone who has significant substance abuse issues.
- 5 Children who identify as LGBTQ and have been kicked out or who have been stigmatized by their family.

Sex Trafficking

Behavioral Indicators-

- 1 Child has significant change in behavior, including increased virtual behavior (e.g., online activity/profiles) or who associates with new groups of online friends/older friends.
- 2 Child avoids answering questions or lets others speak for him or her.
- 3 Child appears frightened, resistant, or belligerent to law enforcement.
- 4 Child lies about his or her age and identity.
- 5 Child looks to others before answering questions.
- 6 Child does not ask for help or resists offers to get out of the situation (child does not self-identify as a victim).
- 7 Child seems coerced in talking to law enforcement.
- 8 Child is preoccupied with "getting money" (e.g., displaying photos of cash).

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Physical Indicators-

- 1 Child has no identification (or ID is held by another person).
- 2 Child has sexual paraphernalia (such as bulk condoms or lubrication).
- 3 Evidence of travel (child is living out of suitcases, at motels, or in a car).
- 4 Child has a name or symbol (tattoo), burned or branded onto his or her body, particularly when coupled with the child's reluctance to explain the tattoo or when the child's tattoo matches other children's tattoos.
- 5 Child references traveling to other cities or states or is not from the current location; the child may also lack knowledge of his or her travel plans, destination, and/or his or her current location.
- 6 Child has hotel keys, hotel receipts or other items from hotel/motel.
- 7 Presence of an overly controlling or abusive "boyfriend" or other female.
- 8 Children recovered at hotels, street trucks, truck stops, or strip clubs.

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Physical Indicators continued-

- 9 Child has notebooks or slips of paper containing phone numbers, dollar amounts, names, or addresses.
- 10 Child has items or an appearance that does not fit his or her current situation (e.g., a homeless or runaway child who has money, electronics, new clothes or shoes, and who has his or her hair or nails done).
- 11 Child references online classified ads or escort websites (child-serving professionals are encouraged to research classified ads or escort websites as these sites change and are sometimes geographically specific).
- 12 Child references traveling job opportunities (including modeling, singing and/or dancing in a music group or magazine sales crews).
- 13 Child has multiple cell phones and/or electronic devices; Child has unaddressed medical issues or who goes to the ER or clinic alone, or with an unrelated female.

MYTHS

Common myths and misconceptions about Human Trafficking:

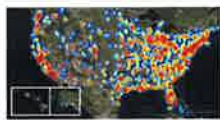
1. Human trafficking does not occur in the United States. It only happens in other countries.
2. Human trafficking victims are only foreign born individuals and those who are poor.
3. Human trafficking is only sex trafficking.
4. Individuals must be forced or coerced into commercial sex acts to be victims of human trafficking.
5. Human trafficking and human smuggling are the same.
6. Human trafficking victims will attempt to seek help when in public.

FACTS

Facts about Human Trafficking(HT):

1. 1 in 6 of the 18,500 runaways reported to the National Center For Missing and Exploited Children(NCMEC) in 2016 were likely sex trafficking victims.
2. 86% of these likely sex trafficking victims were in the care of social services or foster care when they went missing. (NCMEC, 2017)
3. Smuggling is a crime against a country's borders and HT is crime against a person.
4. In Human Smuggling transportation always an element and in HT transportation not required.

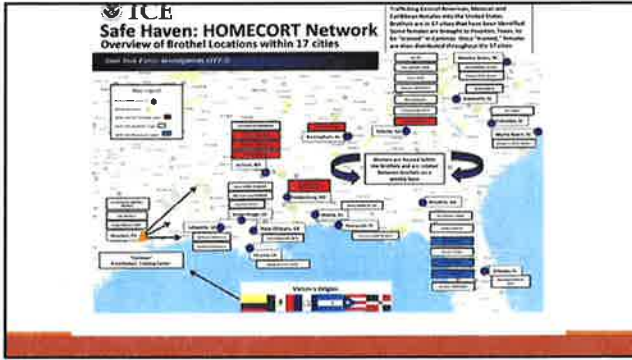
WHERE IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING?



EVERYWHERE

Not just in far-away places, like cities in Cambodia or in rural Brazil, but in cities and towns all over the world, including in the U.S.

Wherever you live... in every community
...Chances are that some form of human trafficking has taken place there



Ward/ McFall Case

- Jason Ward received 20 years for Human Trafficking.
- Devendra McFall received 20 years with 15 suspended for cooperating with Law Enforcement.
- March 31, 2016 authorities were notified of Prostitution ring at Quality Inn in Ridgeland.
- Two victims 17 and 33 stated they had been forced into prostitution.
- The victims told officers the men used a website to post photographs and information online to schedule sexual related meetings.

Anthony/Braddy Case

- Willard Anthony from Madison, MS received a mandatory life sentence in Jefferson Parish, LA for aggravated rape, human trafficking, second-degree battery, aggravated battery, sexual battery and being a felon in possession of a gun.
- Pierre Braddy from Jackson, MS received 20 years for forcible rape, human trafficking and obstruction of justice in connection with the April 2015 crimes.
- According to the Jefferson Parish DA's office, the victim first met Anthony in 2015 at a Florida hotel. The victim, who had turned to prostitution to support her drug addiction, set up a meeting through an ad she placed on backpage.com.
- The victim arrived to the hotel meeting and was beaten until she passed out. She awoke in a car driven by Anthony enroute to New Orleans with other women. Braddy followed in his parent's SUV.

- Trial evidence showed upon arrival in the New Orleans area, Anthony and Braddy rented a hotel room on Manhattan Boulevard in Harvey and began advertising the victim and other women on backpage.com.
- The victim tried to escape, first by soliciting help from a "customer," but Anthony followed the car and flashed a pistol on a busy roadway. The "customer" ditched the victim. She then tried to run.
- Once Anthony recaptured the victim, he had other women beat her to unconsciousness, according to trial testimony. He raped her with the barrel of his pistol on which her DNA was later recovered.
- During a routine prostitution investigation, a Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office squad rescued the victim on April 13, 2015. After randomly selecting a backpage.com ad, an undercover deputy arranged a date with the victim and went to the Harvey motel room. The victim was found shaking on a bed, with eyes swollen and a cut above one eye.

M.C.A. § 97-5-51

Child Protection Act

- Child Protection Act
- A mandatory reporter shall make a report if it would be reasonable for the mandatory reporter to suspect that a sex crime against a minor has occurred.
 - Required report must be made immediately to law enforcement in the jurisdiction where it is believed sex crime occurred.
 - M.C.A. § 97-5-51(4):
A law enforcement officer who receives a mandated report under the Child Protection Act SHALL file an affidavit against the offender on behalf of the State of MS if there is probable cause to believe that the offender has committed a sex crime against a minor.

Child Protection Act

Mandatory Reporter includes the following individuals performing their occupational duties:

Health care practitioner - any individual who provides health care services including physician, surgeon, physical therapist, psychiatrist, psychologist, medical resident, medical intern, hospital staff member, licensed nurse, midwife, emergency medical technician or paramedic.

Clergy member - any priest, rabbi, or duly ordained deacon or minister.

Law enforcement officer

Teaching or child care provider - anyone who provides training or supervision of a minor under 16 including teacher, teacher's aide, principal or staff member of public or private school, social worker, probation officer, foster home parent, group home or other child care institutional staff member, personnel of residential home facilities, a licensed or unlicensed day care provider.

Commercial image processor - any person who for compensation, develops exposed photographic film into negatives, slides or prints; makes prints from negatives or slides; or processes or stores digital media or images from any digital process, including ...

Child Protection Act

"Sex Crime Against a Minor" means any offense under at least one of the following statutes when committed by an adult against a minor under 16:

§ 97-3-65 relating to rape

§ 97-3-71 relating to rape and assault with intent to ravish

§ 97-3-95 relating to sexual battery

§ 97-5-23 relating to the touching of a child, mentally defective person or incapacitated person or physically helpless person for lustful purposes

§ 97-5-41 relating to the carnal knowledge of a stepchild, adopted child or child of a cohabiting partner

§ 97-5-33 relating to exploitation of children

§ 97-3-54.1(1)(c) relating to procuring sexual servitude of a minor

§ 43-47-18 relating to sexual abuse of a vulnerable person

§ 97-1-7 relating to the attempt to commit any of the offenses listed in this subsection

Child Exploitation M.C.A. § 97-5-33

(1) No person shall, by any means including computer, cause, solicit or knowingly permit any child to engage in sexually explicit conduct or in the simulation of sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing any visual depiction of such conduct.

(2) No person shall, by any means including computer, photograph, film, video tape or otherwise depict or record a child engaging in sexually explicit conduct or in the simulation of sexually explicit conduct.

(3) No person shall, by any means including computer, knowingly send, transport, transmit, ship, mail or receive any photograph, drawing, sketch, film, video tape or other visual depiction of an actual child engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

(4) No person shall, by any means including computer, receive with intent to distribute, distribute for sale, sell or attempt to sell in any manner any photograph, drawing, sketch, film, video tape or other visual depiction of an actual child engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

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(5) No person shall, by any means including computer, possess any photograph, drawing, sketch, film, video tape or other visual depiction of an actual child engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

(6) No person shall, by any means including computer, knowingly entice, induce, persuade, seduce, solicit, advise, coerce, or order a child to meet with the defendant or any other person for the purpose of engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

(7) No person shall by any means, including computer, knowingly entice, induce, persuade, seduce, solicit, advise, coerce or order a child to produce any visual depiction of adult sexual conduct or any sexually explicit conduct.

Procuring Sexual Servitude of Minor
M.C.A. § 97-3-54.1

A person who knowingly subjects, or attempts to subject, or who recruits, entices, harbors, transports, provides or obtains by any means, or attempts to recruit, entice, harbor, transport, provide or obtain by any means, a minor, knowing that the minor will engage in commercial sexual activity, sexually-explicit performance, or the production of sexually oriented material, or causes or attempts to cause a minor to engage in commercial sexual activity, sexually-explicit performance, or the production of sexually oriented material, shall be guilty of procuring sexual servitude of a minor and shall be punished by commitment to the custody of the Department of Corrections for not less than five (5) nor more than thirty (30) years and/or a fine of not less than \$50,000.
