

KNOW HOW TO HELP

If you suspect someone is a victim of human trafficking, please call the:

National Human Trafficking Hotline
1-888-3737-888

Call to report a tip or to request training, technical assistance, general information or resources to combat trafficking.

Consider the following when helping someone who may be a victim:

- Some victims have a strong sense of distrust.
- Many victims do not see themselves as victims and do not realize what is being done to them is wrong.
- Victims often bond with their abuser in spite of experiencing physical or sexual violence.

The sex trafficking industry is incredibly dangerous. Use caution when reaching out to victims and enlist the help of law enforcement and experienced social service organizations before intervening.



GET HELP

Call our confidential 24-Hour Human Trafficking Helpline:

(209) 948-1911

Helpline will link youth 12-17 to Safe House Emergency Shelter

If you are a victim ages 16-25 and are seeking mentoring and supportive services, call our Youth Services Department

Mentoring Program:

(209) 929-6700



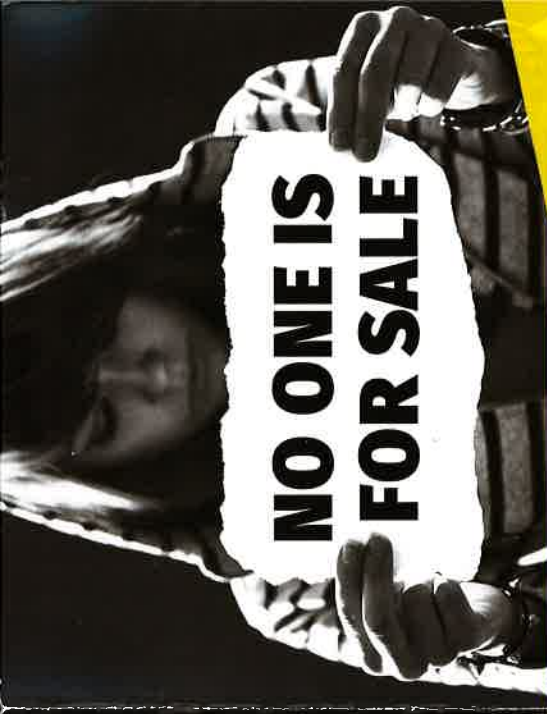
Are you in trouble? If you need help, speak to the driver of any RTD bus to get to a safe place.

Additional 24-Hour Helplines:

Sexual Assault: **(209) 465-4997**
Domestic Violence: **(209) 465-4878**



620 N. San Joaquin Street
Stockton, CA 95202
(209) 941-2611
womenscenteryfs.org



END HUMAN TRAFFICKING



WHAT IS SEX TRAFFICKING?

Human Trafficking is a modern-day form of slavery where people profit from the control and exploitation of others.

Sex traffickers use violence, threats, lies, debt bondage, and other forms of coercion to force women, men and children to engage in commercial sex against their will. Under federal law, any minor under the age of 18 years induced into commercial sex is a victim of sex trafficking.

Victims are manipulated, deceived and violated by their traffickers, trapping them in horrific situations every day in our communities. All trafficking victims share one essential experience – the loss of freedom.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND RECRUITMENT IS HAPPENING ALL AROUND US...

- | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| X Online Escort Services | X Hotels |
| | X Malls |
| X Homeless Youth Shelters | X Truck Stops |
| | X City Streets |
| X Foster/Group Homes | X Strip Clubs |
| | X Schools |
| X Social Media Sites | X Bus Stops |
| X Massage Parlors | X Forced Abductions |

RECOGNIZING A VICTIM

Look for these signs to help identify victims of sex trafficking:

- Forced to work as prostitutes or beg in the streets
- Fearful of the consequences if they don't bring in their quota
- Controlling and/or much older partner or boyfriend
- Signs of physical or psychological abuse
- No identification or documentation
- Submissive and fearful
- Works excessively long or unusual hours
- Isolated from their friends and family



CONSIDER THESE QUESTIONS

- Can they leave their job or living situation if they want?
- Do they have the freedom to come and go as they want?
- Where do they sleep and eat?
- Have they or their family been threatened?
- Can they identify what city they are currently in?
- Are there inconsistencies in their story?
- Are they unable to speak to an individual alone?
- Do their answers appear to be scripted or rehearsed?



END HUMAN TRAFFICKING