

SUPPORT HOTLINES

National Human Trafficking Hotline
1-888-373-7888
National Parent Helpline
1-855-427-2736

GET INVOLVED & LEARN MORE

EDUCATION VIDEOS FOR TEENS & PARENTS

www.protectnow.org

www.sharedhope.org

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION

www.traffickinginstitute.org

www.iempathize.org

<https://polarisproject.org>

SOCIAL MEDIA & INTERNET SAFETY

www.netsmartz.org

<https://enough.org>

<https://family.mcafee.com>

If you suspect a **CHILD** to be a victim of human trafficking, please call the Florida Child Abuse Hotline:
1-800-962-2873

If you suspect an **ADULT** to be a victim of human trafficking, please call the National Human Trafficking Hotline:
1-888-373-7888

Child Sexual Abuse/
Darkness to Light

1-866-367-5444

National Center for Missing
& Exploited Children

1-800-THE-LOST

National Runaway Switchboard

1-800-RUN-AWAY

National Alliance on Mental Illness

1-800-950-NAMI

WHAT PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

NEED TO KNOW
ABOUT

HUMAN TRAFFICKING



What is HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

Commercial Sexual Exploitation of a Child (CSESC) is the use of any person under the age of 18 for sexual purposes in exchange for or the promise of anything of value, including money, goods, or services.

Examples: Pornography, prostitution, stripping

Labor Trafficking is the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provisioning or obtaining of a person for labor or services through the use of force, fraud, or coercion, for the purpose of subjecting that person to involuntary servitude, peonage (where someone is held against their will to pay off a debt), debt bondage, or slavery.

Examples: Begging, travel sales crews, hair/nail salons, domestic work, farm work, restaurant work, illegal drug sales, au pair/nannies



How to Protect YOUR CHILDREN

Reduce the risk of your child being targeted by traffickers by helping them develop and maintain a good self-esteem and healthy relationships.

- Help your child develop a strong self-esteem from an early age.
- Talk to your child about the dangers of human trafficking.
- Teach your child to be resourceful in moments of stress and crisis.
- Pay attention to what your teen is doing, who they are with, and where they are hanging out.
- Pay attention to your teen's online activity, social media accounts, and gaming activities.
- Maintain open communication with your teen and make them feel that you are someone they can talk with.



Signs of HUMAN TRAFFICKING

- Frequent, unexplained absences from school
- Running away from home
- Unexplained bruises or scars, withdrawn behavior, or anxiety/fear
- Knowledge of sexual situations or terms beyond what is normal for the child's age
- Signs of drug addiction
- Sudden changes in clothes, friends, or access to money
- Having a "boyfriend" or "girlfriend" who is noticeably older and/or controlling
- Expressing concern for the safety of family members if he or she shares too much information
- Working unusually long hours and being paid very little
- Living at a workplace or with the employer, or living with many people in a small space

Traffickers target victims through social media, chat lines, afterschool programs, shopping malls, bus depots, in clubs, or through friends and acquaintances.

Understand that trafficked youth are victims, not criminals.