

HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS AN EVERYWHERE PROBLEM . . .



WITH AN EVERYBODY SOLUTION

Human trafficking is modern-day slavery. It occurs in all 50 states in the U.S., in both rural and urban settings, when people are subject to forced labor or illegally bought and sold for commercial sex. A minor being sold for sex is always a victim of human trafficking.



EVERYDAY HEROES NEEDED.

While the recruitment or purchase of victims may occur online, survivors may be recovered in many locations, including truck stops, bus terminals, local businesses, restaurants, hotels, strip clubs, private homes, a variety of events, etc. The movement of victims may include the use of rideshares, taxis or other modes of transportation.

As a licensed driver, you may intersect with a human trafficking situation while you're en route somewhere, stopped at a business or in a neighborhood or attending a sporting or other event where a large number of people are gathered.

RED FLAGS TO LOOK FOR

- Signs that prostitution is taking place or if you see a minor being sexually exploited
 - Any mention of making a quota or having a pimp/daddy
 - Multiple cars and different men continually going in and out of a residence
- People looking fearful, disheveled or crying
- Someone being controlling, threatening or even violent with an individual
- People whose communication is being restricted or controlled; the person is not allowed to speak for self; being watched or followed
- Extraordinary security measures for a business or home (e.g., barred or covered windows, barbed wire, excessive exterior cameras, locked front doors with entrances in the alley, etc.)
- Workers who appear to live at the place of business or are always working
 - Excessive work hours with little to no breaks
 - Workers who exhibit signs of mental or psychological exhaustion
- Signs of branding or tattooing of trafficker's name (often on the neck)

If you suspect someone could be a victim of human trafficking, time is of the essence.

1) If you're seeing a crime in progress, call 911. When reporting a tip, provide "actionable information," including times, dates, location and address of the situation, descriptions of cars or trucks involved (make, model, color, license plate, distinguishing marks and/or USDOT number, etc.) and people (height, weight, hair color, eye color, age, etc.). Take a picture if you can. When you contact law enforcement, tell them you suspect human trafficking.

2) To access the national human trafficking hotlines to ascertain if you're witnessing human trafficking, to access services, make a report or share incidents that have been reported to law enforcement, **call 1-888-3737-888 in the U.S., 1-833-900-1010 in Canada or 01800-5533-000 in Mexico.**

3) Please do not approach traffickers. Allow law enforcement to deal with traffickers and recover victims. Approaching traffickers is not only dangerous for you and their victims but could lead to problems in the eventual prosecution of traffickers. **If you do interact with a human trafficking victim, provide support based on your comfort level.**



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