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Human Trafficking: Pennsylvania's Response to an Urgent Issue

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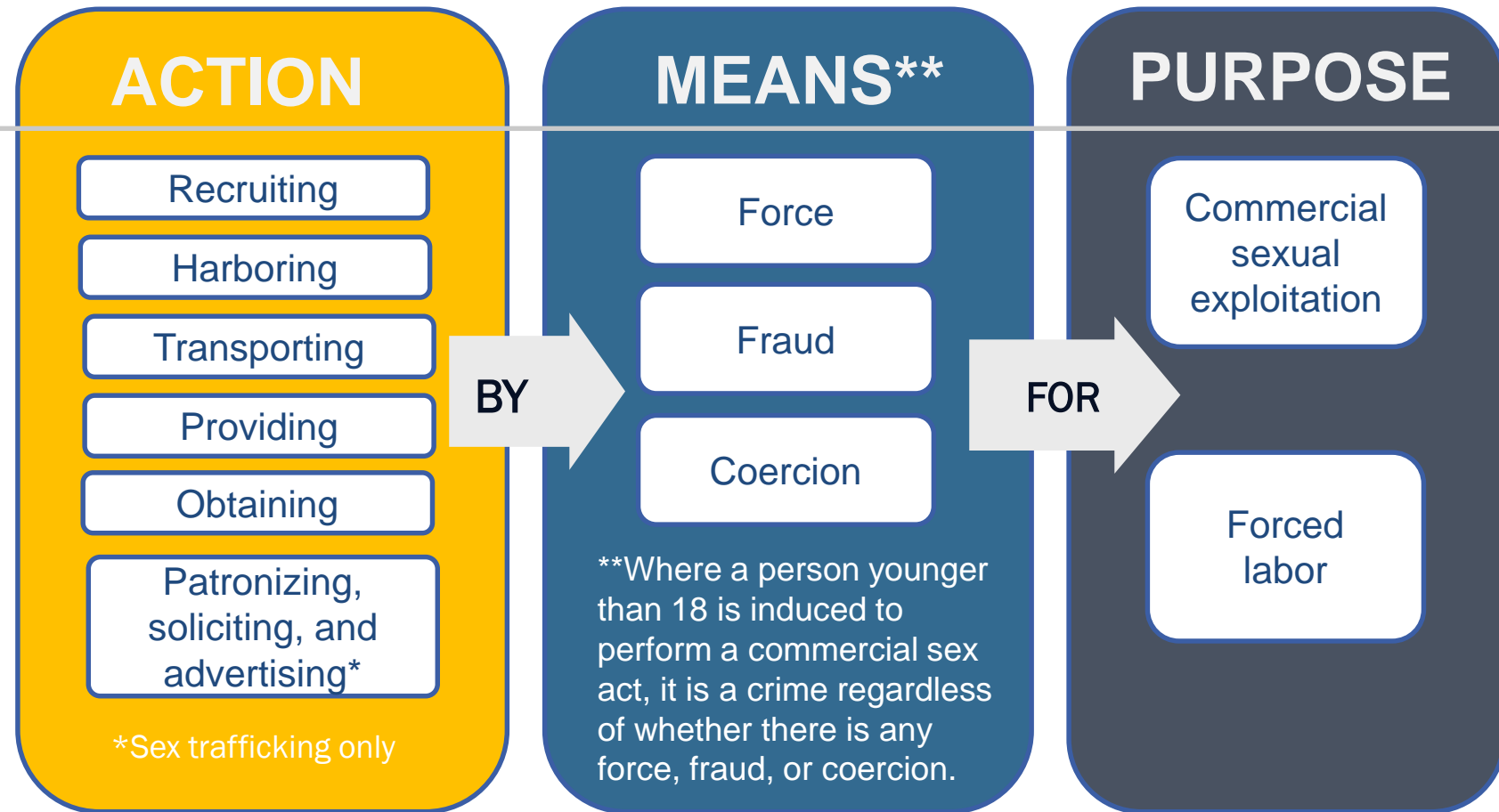


Definition

Human trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery in which traffickers use force, fraud, or coercion to control victims for the purpose of engaging in commercial sex acts or labor services against his/her will. Traffickers use violence, threats, blackmail, false promises, deception, manipulation, and debt bondage to trap vulnerable individuals in horrific situations.



Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA)



Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), Pub. L. No.106-386, 8 U.S.C. §1101, §7101, 114 STAT 1464 (2000)



Control

Physical Abuse (Force):

- Physical harm
- Rape, Sexual violence
- Confinement
- Induced drug addiction

Economic Abuse (Fraud):

- Fraudulent employment
- Confiscation of money earned
- Debt bondage

Psychological Abuse (Coercion):

- Threats to victim, family
- Form bonds, relationship, brainwashing
- Keep isolated, unable to communicate



Who?

Who is being trafficked?

- Women 51%
- Men 21%
- Girls 20%
- Boys 8%

Who are the traffickers?

- Male 63%
- Female 37%



What's in it for the Trafficker?

EASY MONEY

- Recruitment: free
- Ad: \$7
- Phone: \$40
- Motel: \$70 per day
- Average income per girl per day: \$1000 x 5 victims per pimp
- \$5,000 a day

The International Labor Organization estimates that over \$150 billion in illegal profits are made from forced labor each year and \$99 billion from sex trafficking



Vulnerable Populations to Human Trafficking



Refugees and
Asylees



Immigrants and
Migrant Workers



Runaway and
Homeless Youth



LGBTQI
Individuals



Individuals with
Physical and Cognitive
Disabilities



Survivors of
Other Crimes

Source: Department of State. Trafficking In Persons Report June 2018. Accessed 03.18.2019



Vulnerable Populations to Human Trafficking

Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs



General Warning signs “red flags”

- Inconsistent stories/scripted stories
- Evidence of delayed medical care
- Evidence of physical or sexual abuses
- Fear of law enforcement
- No identification documents
- Substance Use Disorder
- Frequent STI, pregnancy
- Accompanying party insists on answering questions for patient and refuses to leave



Warning signs “red flags” (continued)



Warning signs “red flags” for teens

- History of foster care
- Truancy or stops going to school
- Early sexual initiation or knowing a lot about sex at a young age
- Runaway/homeless
- LGBTQI youth
- History of sexual abuse
- States age is older than visual appearance
- Use terms like “daddy”, “the life” or “the game”
- STIs, multiple terminated pregnancies or exceedingly high number of partners



What not to do

- Do not try to rescue the victim
- Beware of the accompanying person
- Do not contact law enforcement without patients consent
- Do not ask about legal status

- **DO call and report to the trafficking hotline 1-888-373-7888**



Anti-Human Trafficking Federal Interagency Task Force

- Regional level Interagency Task Force that coordinate efforts at the regional, state, local, and tribal level.
- Efforts are aimed at providing a coordinated approach to build internal capacity within state and local agencies to combat human trafficking.
- Region III Task Force shares regional level information with the HHS/ACF/ Office of Trafficking In Persons who is the HHS lead for Human Trafficking prevention and cross-agency coordination.

HOTLINE

To report a case of human trafficking, please call the National Human Trafficking Hotline: **1-888-373-7888** or Text **233733**. If there is an emergency involving a trafficking person, please call **911**.

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TASK FORCE AGENCIES

Department of Health & Human Services (HHS)

- Administration for Children and Families (ACF)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
- Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH)
- Office of the Regional Director (ORD)

Department of Homeland Security (DHS)

Department of Justice (DOJ)

- Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)

ABOUT US

The Region 3 Federal Interagency Anti-Trafficking Task Force is a collaborative group comprised of numerous federal government agencies. The mission of the Task Force is to facilitate collaboration across federal, state, and local agencies to raise awareness and build capacity to combat human trafficking across Region 3 (DC, DE, MD, PA, VA, WV). The Task Force shares regional level information with the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services' (HHS) Administration for Children and Families' (ACF) Office of Trafficking in Persons (OTIP).



| | DE | DC | MD | PA | VA | WV |
|-----------------------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| # of trafficking calls made | 50 | 232 | 444 | 562 | 502 | 57 |
| # of reported cases | 21 | 61 | 115 | 199 | 156 | 16 |

Source: National Human Trafficking Hotline. Data is from 2017. Statistics are current as of 1/21/2018.

WHAT WE DO

Outreach
and
Awareness

Data
Collection
and
Analysis

Capacity
Building
and
Partnership

Funding
and
Resources

Human trafficking is an affront to human dignity and a form of modern slavery. Traffickers use force, fraud, or coercion to control victims for the purpose of engaging in commercial sex acts or labor services against his/her will. Traffickers use violence, threats, blackmail, false promises, deception, manipulation, and debt bondage to trap vulnerable individuals in horrific situations.

RESOURCES

- Office of Trafficking in Persons, Administration for Children and Families
website: acd.gov/otip
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Blue Campaign
website: dhs.gov/blue-campaign
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
website: FBI.gov
- Polaris Project
website: polarisproject.org
- National Center for Missing and Exploited Children
website: missingkids.com/home

Last Updated: January 2018



What can I do?

- Be aware - Recognize red flags signs/symptoms
- Be a trusted advocate
- Know agencies and community organizations involved with HT victims
- Reduce the stigma
- Training opportunities
- Donation drive
- Volunteer
- **Save 888-373-7888 in your phone**

NATIONAL
HUMAN
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HOTLINE

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Human Trafficking Conference

- Save the Date!
 - June 26th and 27th, 2019
 - Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center



Thank you for your time!

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