

SPOT THE SIGNS *of modern slavery*

TRAFFICKING OCCURS IN **6** KEY AREAS



General Indicators



Sexual Exploitation



Forced Labour



Child Abuse



Criminal Activities



Domestic Servitude

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Hotline:
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1. General Indicators

Trafficking victims are often lured into another country by false promises and so may not easily trust others.

They may:

- Be fearful of police/authorities
- Be fearful of the trafficker, believing their lives or family members' lives are at risk if they escape
- Exhibit signs of physical and psychological trauma i.e. anxiety, lack of memory of recent events, bruising, untreated conditions
- Be fearful of telling others about their situation
- Be unaware they have been trafficked and believe they are simply in a bad job
- Have limited freedom of movement
- Be unpaid or paid very little
- Seem to be in debt to someone
- Have no passport or mention that someone else is holding their passport
- Be regularly moved to avoid detection

2. Sexual Exploitation

Be aware: ordinary residential housing/hotels are being used more and more for brothels.

People forced into sexual exploitation may:

- Be moved between brothels, sometimes from city to city
- Sleeping on work premises
- Display a limited amount of clothing, of which a large proportion is sexual
- Display substance misuse
- Be forced, intimidated or coerced into providing sexual services
- Be subjected to abduction, assault or rape
- Be unable to travel freely e.g. picked up and dropped off at work location by another person
- Have money for their services provided collected by another person

3. Forced Labor

Where all the work is done under the menace of a penalty or the person has not offered himself voluntarily and is now unable to leave.

They may experience:

- Threat or actual physical harm
- Restriction of movement or confinement
- Debt bondage i.e. working to pay off a debt or loan, often the victim is paid very little or nothing at all for their services because of deductions
- Withholding of wages or excessive wage reductions
- Withholding of documents i.e. passport/security card
- Threat of revealing to authorities an irregular immigration status
- Their employer is unable to produce documents required
- Poor or non-existent health and safety standards
- Requirement to pay for tools and food
- Imposed place of accommodation (and deductions made for it)
- Pay that is less than minimum wage
- Dependence on employer for services
- No access to labor contract
- Excessive work hours/few breaks

4. Child Abuse

You may notice a child that is:

- Often going missing/truanting
- Secretive
- Has unexplained money/presents
- Experimenting with drugs/alcohol
- Associating with/being groomed by older people (not in normal networks)
- In relationships with significantly older people
- Taking part in social activities with no plausible explanation
- Seen entering or leaving vehicles with unknown adults
- Showing evidence of physical/sexual assault (including STD's)
- Showing signs of low self image/self harm/eating disorder

5. Criminal Activities

The person is recruited and forced/deceived into conducting some form of criminal activity such as pick pocketing, begging, drug cultivation and benefit fraud.

Same indicators as for forced labor but for drug cultivation you may also notice:

- Windows of property are permanently covered from the inside
- Visits to property are at unusual times
- Property may be residential
- Unusual noises coming from the property i.e. machinery
- Pungent smells coming from the property

6. Domestic Servitude

A particularly serious form of denial of freedom; this includes the obligation to provide certain services and the obligation to live on another person property without the possibility of changing those circumstances.

They may:

- Be living and working for a family in a private home
- Not be eating with the rest of the family
- Have no bedroom or proper sleeping place
- Have no private space
- Be forced to work excessive hours; "on call" 24 hours a day
- Never leave the house without the 'employer'
- Be malnourished
- Be reported as missing or accused of crime by their 'employer' if they try to escape

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