

# Human Trafficking

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*Not My Life* (2013), Worldwide Documentaries.

## What people think: prostitution



- A “choice”
- Victimless
- Public nuisance
- Maybe even glamorous

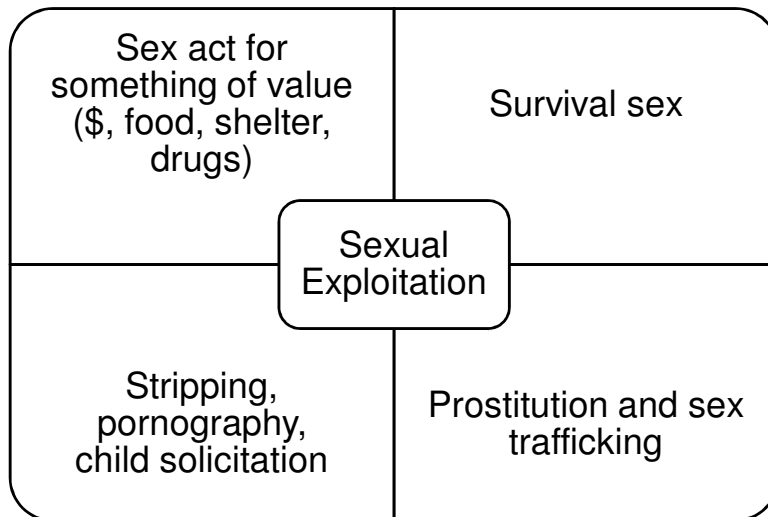
## What people think: sex trafficking



- Immediate violence
- Immediate fear
- Kidnapping / abduction
- Crossing borders and movement

## Sexual exploitation & trafficking: the reality

- Psychological as much as physical control
- Coercive, damaging
- Pervasive: likely hundreds of thousands of children across the U.S.
- More than half of people enter prostitution as children, at an average age of 13



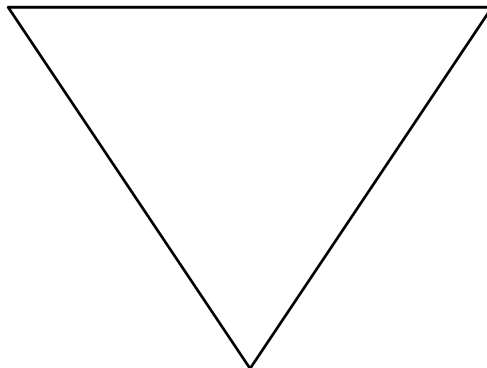
## Sex trafficking

- Prostitution involving a third person
  - third person may recruit, control, obtain, transport, profit, etc.
  - can be accomplished by any means
  - no need to prove violence, force, fraud, coercion (though they're usually present)
  - no distinction between juveniles and adults
  - consent is not a defense

## Sex trafficking as a system

Traffickers

Sex buyers



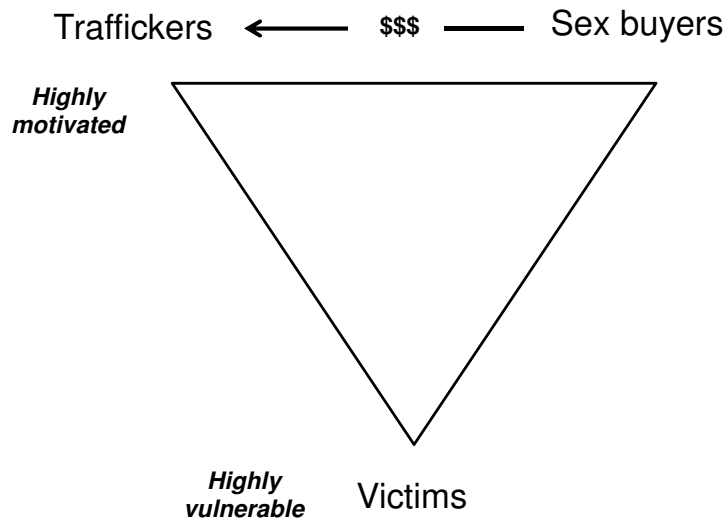
Victims

## Traffickers – money and control

- Revenues
  - Five sex acts each day, \$100 each
  - Seven days per week, \$15,000 per month
- Expenses
  - One-time fees: \$50 for prepaid phone & minutes, \$5 per prepaid card
  - \$7 per online ad
  - No money to the girl (little to no food, shelter, or clothing)
- Compare to selling drugs
  - Lower expenses
  - Less risk of being caught
  - Re-sell the product over and over
  - Easily replace the product if taken



## Sex trafficking as a system



## Obtaining and using victims

1. Targeting
2. Tricking
3. Turning
4. Traumatizing

*Modified from Stefania Agliano & Bryan Hall, I AM Empowerment Group; used with permission*

## 1. Targeting – who?

- Young people
- Disabilities or mental illness
- Addicted to drugs
- Homeless
- Runaway / “throwaway”
- Truant
- Pregnant or with young children
- In the foster care system
- Past or current molestation or other sexual abuse
- Physical abuse

## 1. Targeting – who?

- Young people of color
- Native youth
- LGBT
- Usually girls, but also boys and transgender youth
- Lacking relationships, support, or engagement with school or work

Every child feels insecure  
at some point.  
Any child is vulnerable.

## 1. Targeting – where?

- Personal interactions
  - Public places: school, park, bus stop, library
  - Within friends and families
- Internet
  - Social media
  - Relationship and chat websites
  - Anyone is reachable from anywhere



## 1. Targeting – where?

Any community that has runaways or internet access has sex trafficking.





## 1. Targeting – FB messages from trafficker

*To girl #1:* Thx for accepting my friend request I juz thought that ur so beautiful and maybe i could get ot know whats also behind that smile?

*To girl #2:* Don't trip sweetheart cuz I anit looking for nothing either but a cool ass homegirl that anit on no bs! And ur looks is something that attracted me to you...

*To girl #3:* Hi! thanks for accepting my friend request though I should of looked to see was u married! but its all good as long as ur men dont be tripping...

## 2. Tricking

- Be charming and flattering
- Treat her to nice things
- Become her boyfriend

### **Provide whatever is missing in her life**

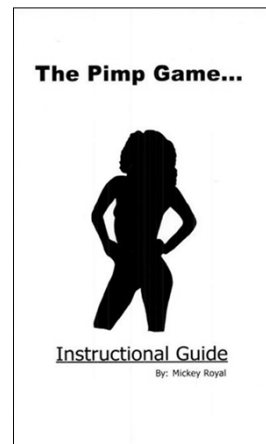
- Basic needs (place to stay, food)
- Family (“daddy”)
- Attention and acceptance

### 3. Turning

- Begin to blend affection and control
- Once she's committed to the relationship, present her with a financial problem
  - Rely on the loyalty and emotional control that has been built
  - Arrange a "date" for her with a close friend
- Once she turns her first "trick," her self-esteem has been broken

"You'll start to dress her, think for her, own her. If you and your victim are sexually active, slow it down. After sex, take her shopping for one item. Hair and/or nails is fine. She'll develop a feeling of accomplishment. The shopping after a month will be replaced with cash. The love making turns into raw sex. She'll start to crave the intimacy and be willing to get back into your good graces. After you have broken her spirit, she has no sense of self-value. Now pimp, put a price tag on the item you have manufactured."

*-The Pimp Game*



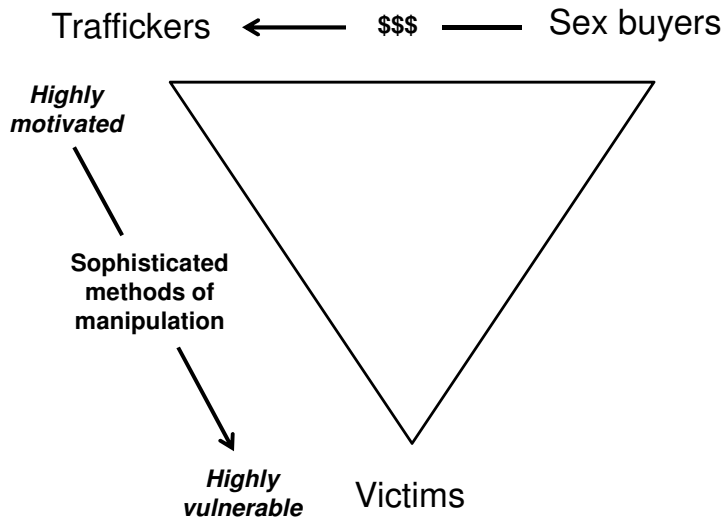
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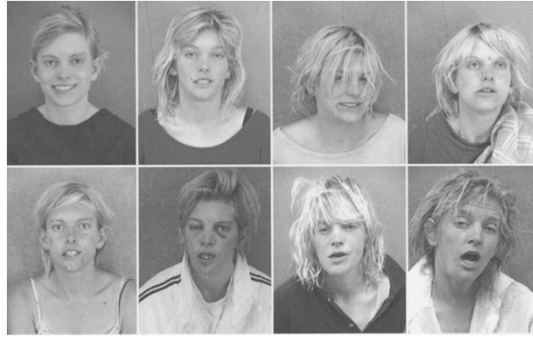
- Impose a quota – and enforce it
- Keep her dependent for affection, finances, safety
  - Further isolate her from friends and family
  - Limit her access to food, clothing, money
  - “Trauma bond” through threats and violence
- Play her off against other victims
  - Compete with them for approval
  - Recruit them
  - Culture of fear, violence, and manipulation

## Text messages from trafficker to girlfriend

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|-------------------|---|
| March 30, 2:12 PM | Juz do as I say and stop worrying about these stupid dumb bitches I may fuck wit time to time for money! Like I said <b>how ever safe we can get money we will an any means...</b>  |
| March 30, 2:27 PM | foe rite now look out for us and get sum body I can get a little extra change from!   |
| March 30, 2:42 PM | Juz get in cool wit a girl and find out lil things about them and also tell them a lil about me. Find out they like girls, or if they're in a unhappy relationship or even if they're in a relationship! U know how u females talk! But we it comes down to <b>it its all about tryna get something out them bitches...</b> |

# Sex trafficking as a system





Laura Coulter, "Portraits of Exploitation," *Prism Magazine*.



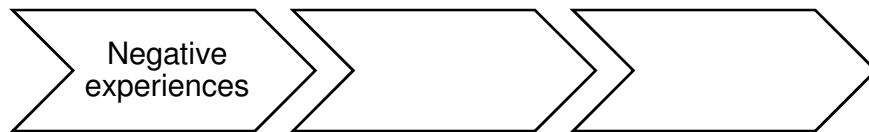
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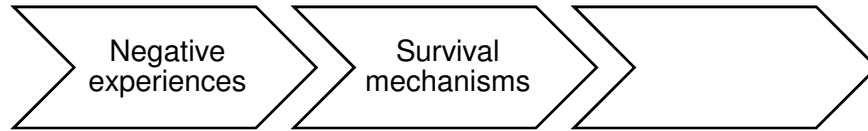
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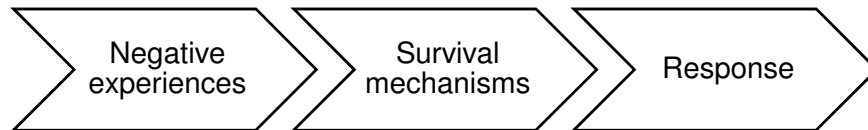
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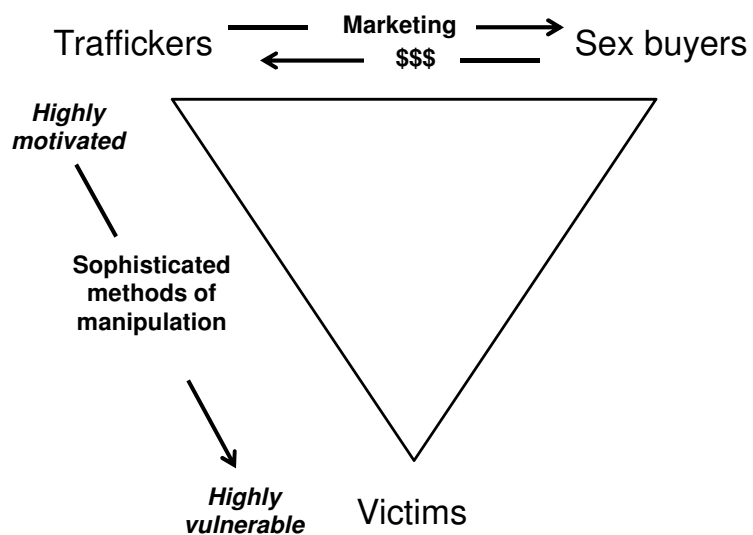
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- Participation in other crimes
- Loyalty to trafficker
- Hostility to system
- Nondisclosure
- Noncooperation

**Life-long impact of trauma**

## The impact of sexual exploitation

- Severe trauma
  - Impact of 100s or 1000s of sexual assaults
- Drug addiction, mental illness
- Low self-esteem and self-worth
- Economic instability and poverty
- Isolation from family, friends, positive community engagement
- Extremely dangerous – high fatality rate

## Sex trafficking as a system





## Victims – where they are sold

- In hotels and apartment complexes
- On the streets
- On public transportation
- Truck stops
- Massage parlors
- Casinos
- Wherever major gatherings take place
  - Sporting events
  - Hunting
- Online
  - Formerly Craigslist.com
  - Backpage.com, MyProvider, Escort Contact, etc.

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♥ All you can handle and then some! ♥ - 22 (everywhere)

Beauty!!! (New photos) owatonna - 22 (Where ever you want me to be)

Classy enough for white tie affairs... - 19 (In town)

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Young Wild Puerto Rican Ready For Fun - 23 (Rochester, MN Outcalls & Incalls🍷🍷🍷)

## Buyers – who are they?

- Men
  - Old / young
  - All races and cultures
  - Single / married
  - Daughters, sons
- Employed



Ten Buyers Arrested in Prostitution Sting

### Ex-police chief among 8 charged in Baxter prostitution sting

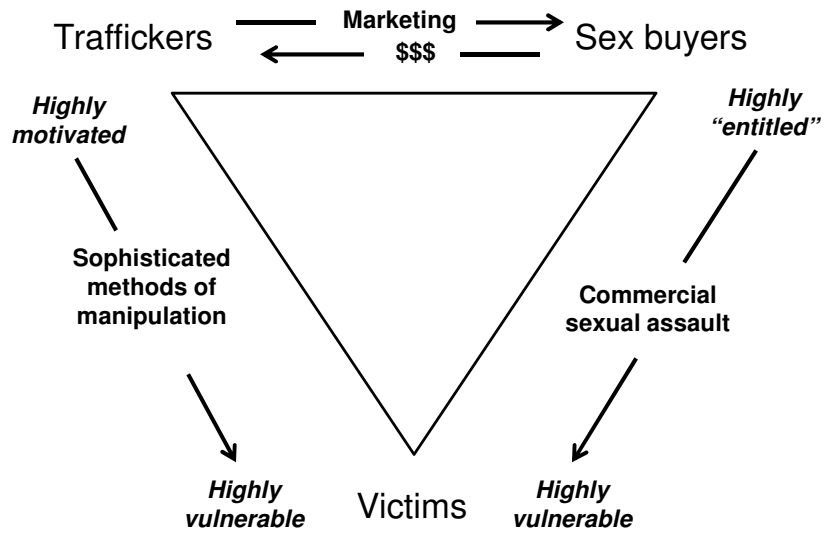
**Four arrested in Bemidji child sex trafficking sting**

**New Ulm pastor caught in prostitution sting**



**FIVE SUSPECTS ARRESTED IN FAIRMONT PROSTITUTION STING**

# Sex trafficking as a system



## The Erotic Review

### New Reviews

SEARCH IN: UNITED STATES - Minnesota

Name	Modified	City/Location	Incall/Outcall
Alexus / Sexy Lexy Escort/Massage	2/2/2015	Minnesota Hotel	Incall/Outcall 612 (area code)
Montana <small>NEW</small> Escort/Massage/S&M	2/1/2015	Minnesota St.Cloud , Duluth	Incall/Outcall 612 (area code)
Sophia Escort/Massage/S&M	2/1/2015	Minnesota Nice apartment in ..	Incall/Outcall 702 (area code)
Kali Escort/Massage	2/1/2015	Minnesota St. Cloud	Incall/Outcall 612 (area code)
Consuella <small>NEW</small> Escort	2/1/2015	Minnesota Bloomington	Incall 916 (area code)

### appearance

<b>real photo</b> Yes	<b>photo accurate</b> Yes
<b>build</b> Athletic	<b>height</b> 5'0" - 5'2"
<b>ethnicity</b> White	<b>Transsexual</b> No
<b>age</b> 31 - 35	<b>breast size</b> 34-35
<b>hair color</b> Red	<b>breast cup</b> A
<b>hair type</b> Some curls	<b>breast implants</b> No
<b>hair length</b> Below shoulders	<b>breast appearance</b> Average
<b>piercings</b> Don't know	<b>tattoos</b> A few
<b>pussy</b> Shaved	

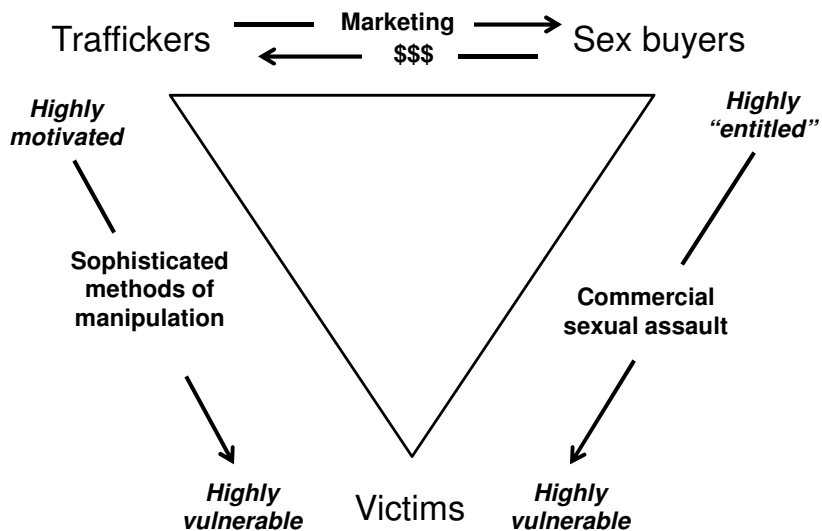
## Buyers – excerpts from online “reviews”

As far as treating women as objects – well hell yeah we are seeing whores after all. Sure they may be nice people with hopes and dreams – but for that hour or half hour they are mine to play with.

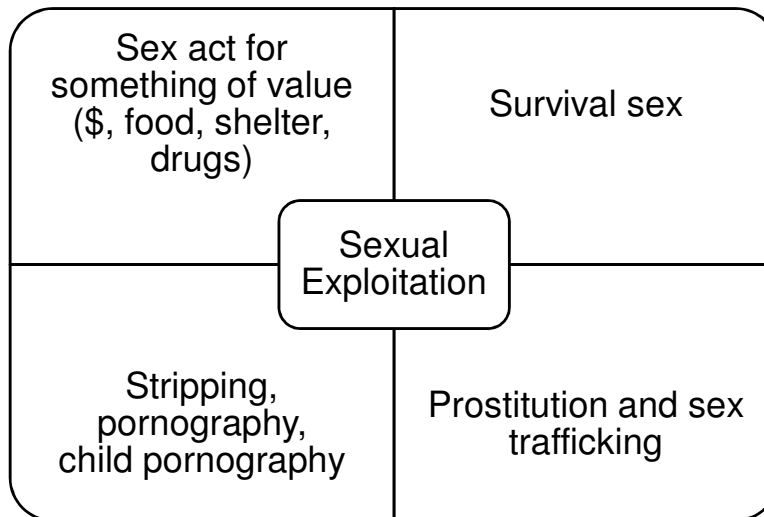
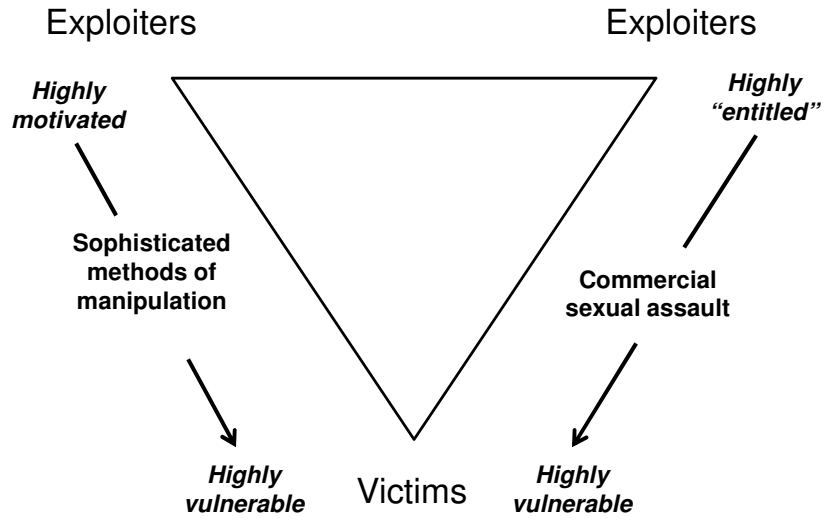
You can make her your sex toy for whatever you want, if you know how to crack her.

I could have walked out because it crossed my mind she was being trafficked. [I went ahead anyway.] How ever the whole experience was a big disappointment and [men] should avoid big time.

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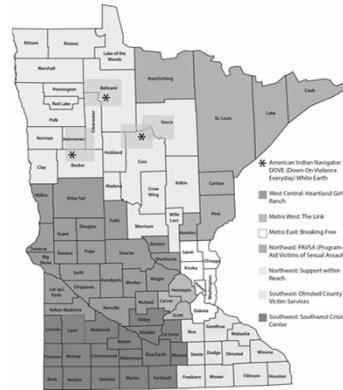


## Sexual exploitation as a system



## Safe Harbor

- Minnesota's model to respond to sexually exploited youth and hold perpetrators accountable
- Highly collaborative
  - Public safety and public health
  - Multijurisdictional
  - Multidisciplinary

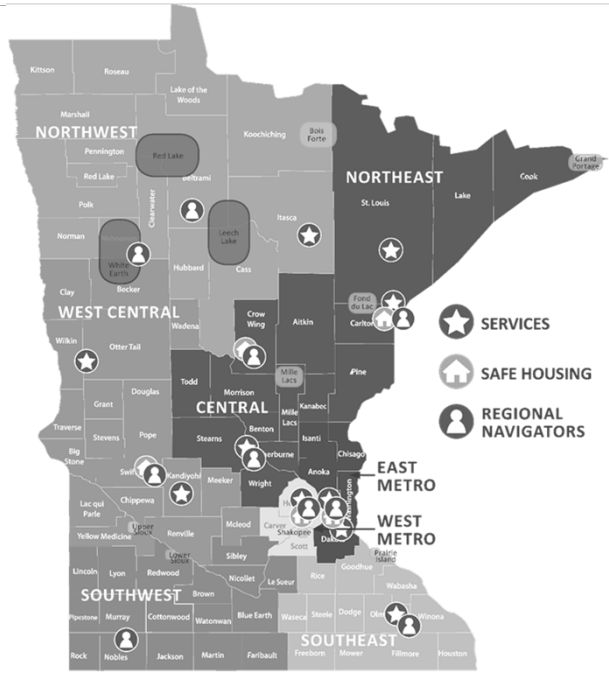


## Safe Harbor Law

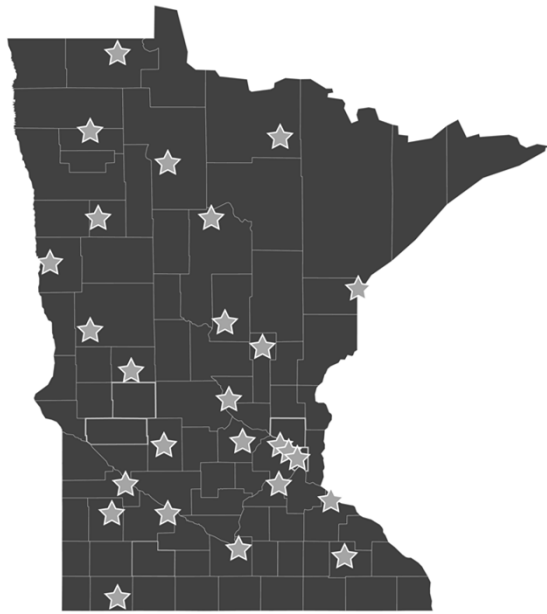
No arrest or charge for prostitution for anyone **under 18.**

Instead, the prostituted person is directed to the child protection system and treated as a victim.

### Safe Harbor Regions



### Trainings for Law Enforcement



# Making a Difference: Ways to Help Prevent Sex Trafficking



## What To Look For

### GUESTS

- No luggage or identification
- Rooms paid for in cash
- Anyone who appears fearful, disoriented or disheveled
- Anyone who shows signs of physical abuse
- Anyone who is being restricted from moving or communicating
- Young people made up to look significantly older
- Young people with significantly older "boyfriends"

### GUESTROOMS

- Continuous refusal of housekeeping services
- Excessive pornography or any child pornography
- Sex paraphernalia (condoms, lubricant, etc.)
- Numerous smartphones, tablets, laptops, etc.
- Multiple credit cards or excessive cash
- Different men coming and going

### HOTEL AREAS

- Individuals loitering or soliciting in common areas
- Individuals appearing to monitor common areas
- Individuals exchanging money
- Use of hotel computers to visit adult websites

## What To Do

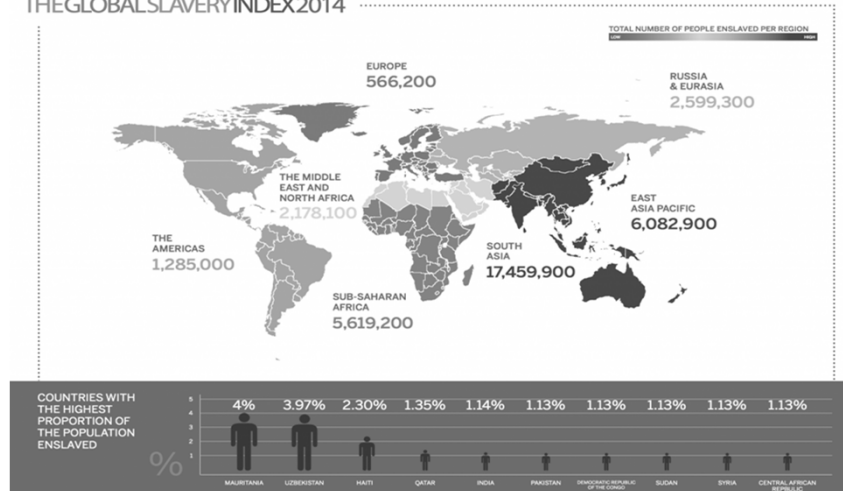
- Don't confront - seek help
- Follow your establishment's policies



Call 9-1-1. No concern is too small

# The Global View of Trafficking (Both Sex Trafficking and Forced Labor)

THE GLOBAL SLAVERY INDEX 2014



Source: Global Slavery Index



## Global Facts and Figures

- Almost **21 million people are victims of forced labour** – 11.4 million women and girls and 9.5 million men and boys.
- Almost 19 million victims are **exploited by private individuals or enterprises** and over 2 million **by the state or rebel groups**.
- Of those exploited by individuals or enterprises, **4.5 million are victims of forced sexual exploitation**.
- Forced labour in the private economy generates **US\$ 150 billion in illegal profits per year**.
- **Domestic work, agriculture, construction, manufacturing and entertainment** are among the sectors most concerned.
- **Migrant workers and indigenous people** are particularly vulnerable to forced labour.

Source *ILO*

## Some Indicators of Forced Labor & Trafficking

### Recruitment

- Vague or no terms of employment
- Workers charged large fees for recruitment
- Charging additional fees for fraudulent purposes- travel, health, documentation, etc.

### Employment

- Wage deductions that are excessive or illegal (ie for housing)
- Taking of documentation for “safekeeping” which doesn’t allow a person access to their own information
- Mandating excessive work hours
- Humiliation, unsafe and abusive practices

### Termination

- Forced payments for early termination
- Threatening person with notification of authorities if they leave
- Requiring person to pay for their return travel to their home

## UK Modern Slavery Act : Increasing Transparency in Business Supply Chains

- Came into effect October 2015
- Requires any company with a turnover of more than £36 million that “supplies goods and services” and “carries on a business, or part of a business, in any part of the UK” to publish an annual slavery and human trafficking statement
- Encourages companies to incorporate anti-slavery measures into their compliance programs
- Statements must be approved by the board and signed by a director
- Criminal liability for misleading or wrongful information

## The Annual Statement

- The statement must describe the steps that a company took to ensure that slavery and human trafficking are not taking place in any of its supply chains and in any part of its own business.
- This needs to be published and online is a viable option though the link needs to be in a ‘prominent’ place
- Practicalities:
  - Due diligence
  - Risk assessment
  - Awareness and education
  - Monitoring and remediation

## Questions?

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