

Know the Signs for Human Trafficking

Human Trafficking is a form of modern day slavery where people profit from the exploitation of others. Victims of Human Trafficking can be men, women, or children of all races, nationalities, and socioeconomic backgrounds. Human Trafficking takes place in cities and towns throughout Mississippi and is one of the fastest growing crimes in our state.

People may be vulnerable to trafficking if they:

- Have an unstable living situation
- Have previously experienced other forms of violence such as sexual abuse or domestic violence
- Have run away or are involved in the juvenile justice or child welfare system
- Are undocumented immigrants
- Are facing poverty or economic need
- Have a caregiver or family member who has a substance use issue
- Are addicted to drugs or alcohol

Signs to look for:

- Is there a controlling parent, guardian, romantic partner, or "sponsor" who will not allow them to meet or speak with anyone alone or who monitors their movements, spending, or communications?
- Are there bruises or other signs of physical abuse?
- Are there signs of psychological abuse?
- Is the person submissive or fearful?
- Is the person being controlled?
- Is the person being deprived of food, water, sleep, medical care, or other life necessities?
- Is the person allowed to be in public alone?
- Can the person freely contact friends or family?
- Is the person allowed to socialize or participate in extra-curricular or religious activities?

Suspect Human Trafficking? Report It.

National Human Trafficking Hotline

1-888-373-7888

Text INFO to 233733

Be Aware. Be Prepared. BE THE SOLUTION.

