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TO END HUMAN TRAFFICKING



Presentation Overview

General Exploration of the Issue

Who are the Victims? Who are the Traffickers? Federal and State Legislation

What Can You Do? How to Respond

Collaborative to End Human Trafficking

Not a new problem -

13th Amendment "neither slavery nor involuntary servitude...shall exist in the United States"



Slavery - people held or compelled into service against their will

20.9 Million People \$150 billion \$99 billion \$51 billion*

*Profts and Poverty: The Economics of Forced Labour International Labour Office, 2014



Low Risk - High Profit

Inside Bay Area The Oakland Tribune

Dealers turning to sex business

Pimping provided many with inconspicuous way to make money in streets By Barbara Grady, STAFF WRITER Posted: 04/24/2008 02:42:15 AM PDT Updated: 04/22/2009 06:47:53 AM PDT

HOME/NEWS/LOCAL/MASS.

Targeted, some drug dealers switch to prostitution

Authorities fear surge in human trafficking

By Maria Cramer Globe Staff / October 26, 2008 The Boston Blobe

Human Trafficking is... Recruitment Harboring Transportation Provision or Obtaining of a person...

for a Commercial Sex Act or Labor or Services...

through Force, Fraud or Coercion.

Sex Trafficking:

Commercial sex act induced by force, fraud or coercion, or in which person performing the act is under age

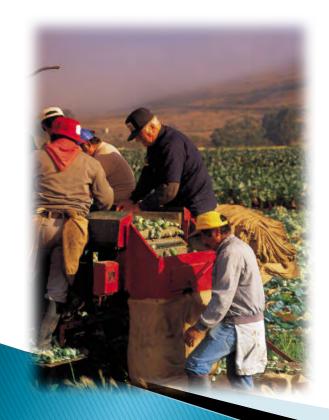


Victims can be found working in massage parlors, brothels, strip clubs, escort services and private homes.

US Department of Health and Human Services, ACF, Trafficking Campaign

Labor Trafficking:

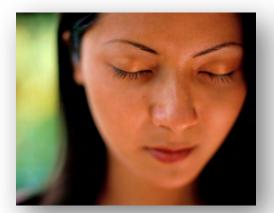
Using force, fraud or coercion to recruit, harbor, transport, obtain or employ a person for labor or services in **involuntary servitude**, **peonage**, **debt bondage** or **slavery**





Victims can be found in domestic situations as nannies, hotel maids, sweatshop factories, janitorial jobs, construction sites, farm work, and restaurants.

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Working in nail salons



Often victims are working right in our midst. We may have walked past them or encountered them in ordinary situations.



Cleaning in hotels



Field & farm workers



Restaurant workers

Labor Trafficking



United States v. Calimlim (7th Cir. 2008) 2 physicians, live-in housekeeper for 19 years

> United States v. Sabhnani (2nd Cir. 2010) Long Island couple, 2 domestic servants

United States v. Bradley (1st Circuit 2004) NH tree removal company – Jamaican workers

United States v. Djoumessi (6th Cir, 2008) 14 year old domestic servant – Detroit

United States v. Kaufman (10th Cir.2008) Social worker and wife – unlicensed group home for mentally ill Crime of trafficking occurs with the exploitation of the victim. The physical movement of the victim is not a requisite.

How Are Victims Trafficked?

Force: Rape, beatings, constraint, confinement, addiction to drug



US Department or thealth and Human Services, ACF, Trafficking or major

How Are Victims Trafficked?



Fraud: Includes false and deceptive offers of employment or a better life

Given Kapecha today



Given Kachepa, 2006 College photo

He has remained in the United States after being adopted by the woman who helped with his rescue. He does presentations today to end human trafficking.

How Are Victims Trafficked?

Coercion:

- Threats of serious harm to, or physical restraint of, any person;
- any scheme, plan or pattern intended to cause victims to believe that failure to perform an act would result in restraint

against them; or

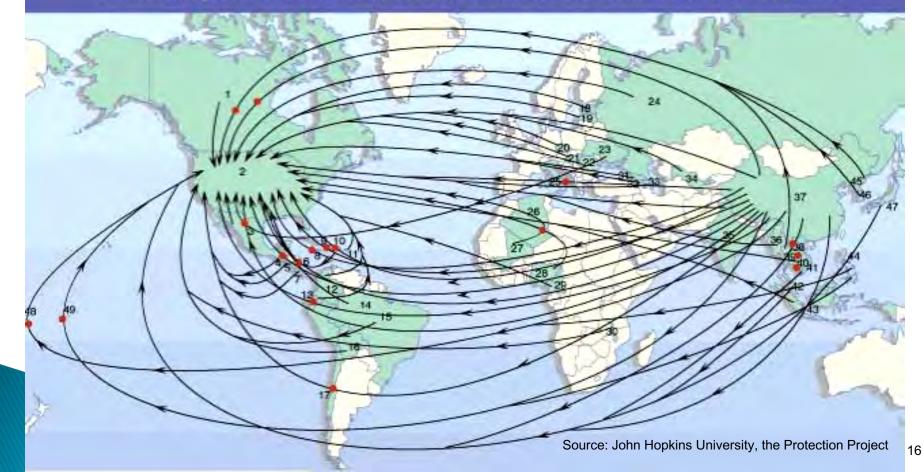




Victims can be trafficked <u>into the U.S</u>. from anywhere. Victims have come from, among other places,

Africa, Asia, India, Latin America, Eastern Europe,

Trafficking of Persons, Especially Women and Children: USA Routes



Who is at-risk to be trafficked?

- Children
- Vulnerable women
- Homeless and runaways
- Immigrants
- The disabled
- LGBT



***Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking: A Network of Underground Players in the Midwest** Celia Williamson and Michael Prior, Journal of Child and Adolescent Trauma, 2009

91% experience child abuse in the home77% had been involved with child protection servicesOver 50% had been in the foster care system



In Plain Sight… "Juvenile Delinquent" or "Victim?"

Due to misidentification, ignorance, or efforts to keep victims safe from traffickers ... children are often labeled as delinguents and placed in detention facing





In Plain Sight... "Illegal Immigrant" or "Victim?"



Responses of Victims

- In the U.S., both citizens and non-citizens are victims
- Victims comply and don't seek help because of FEAR
- Many victims do not speak English
- Victims often kept isolated; activities restricted; guarded; coached to provide certain answers
- Unaware what is being done to them is a crime
- Do not consider themselves victims often blame self



Statistics you probably don't know about Human Trafficking

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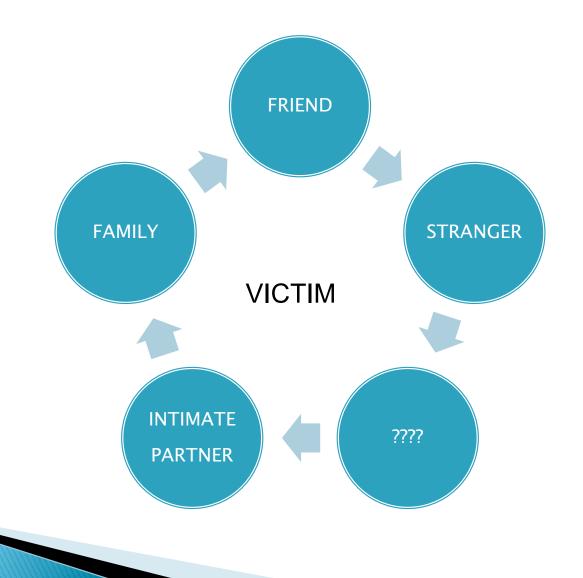
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Traffickers Profile

- Traffickers can be:
 - U.S. Citizens
 - Foreign Nationals
 - Male or Female
 - Adults or Minors
 - Historical Victims
 - Secondary Enforcers

ANY INDIVIDUAL LOOKING TO PROFIT FROM EXPLOITING YOUTH

TRAFFICKERS RELATIONSHIP TO VICTIM



GROOMING

- A PREDATOR Might:
- Flatter
- Send gifts
- Discuss adult subjects
- Ask youth to keep secrets
- Turn youth against family and friends
- Share or ask for revealing images
- Blackmail you



sensitization

- Society today overwhelms people with a constant barrage of negative images.
- Video games often are won by killing or maiming the most "adversaries, e.g. Grant Theft Auto.
- We become used to violence as it is a part of all our games, videos and TV programs.
- It becomes the new "normal."

Current Culture: Glorifies Pimps



Current Culture Encourages: Pornography in our culture

- 1. Dangers to health: sexual diseases,
- 2. Girls may experience in this over-sexualized society risky behaviors that can lead to unwanted pregnancy, low self-esteem, as well as eating disorders, and depression.
- 3. Child pornography is a form of human trafficking for a young child cannot give consent and therefore, become a victim.

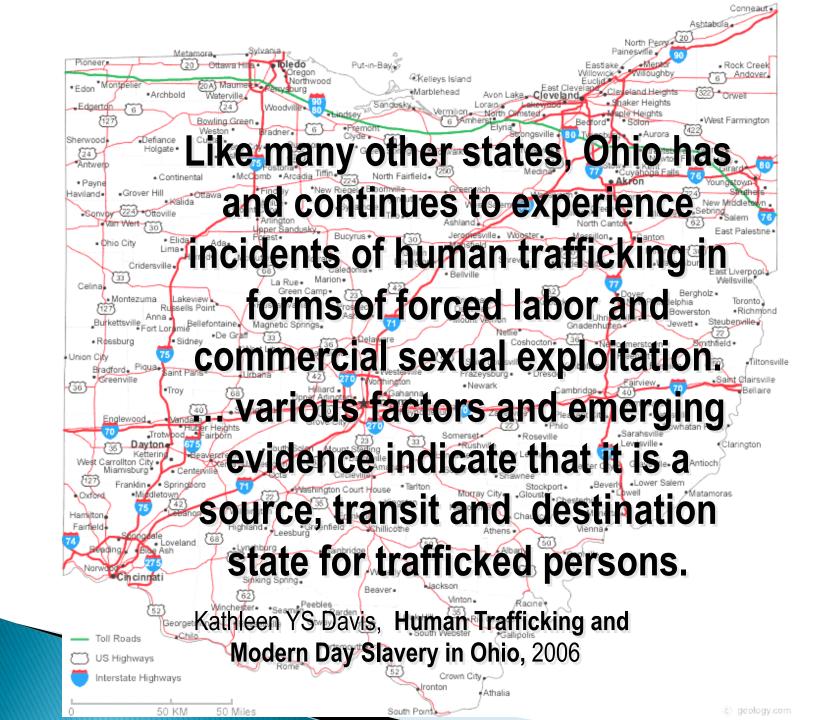
Current Culture Encourages:

- Use of social media for sexting, harassing, shaming and bullying.
- Data shows that children repeatedly exposed to pornography are more likely to sexually harass or molest other children.
- Children and teenagers become involved in a variety of online sites that lead to risky behavior and disregard for the dignity of the human person.

What is happening in Ohio?

HEIMERSTEINER

Picture from Kathleen YS Davis, Human Trafficking and Modern Day Slavery in Ohio, 2006





Parma man guilty of sex trafficking of child, paying 14-year-old for sex

http://www.cleveland.com/court-justice/index.ssf/2016/09/parma_man_guilty_of_sex-trafficking..html Gunfire in Akron leads police to suspected human trafficking victim

http://www.cleveland.com/akron/index.ssf/2016/02/gunfire_in_akron_leads_police.html

Defendant stops trial, pleads guilty to human trafficking

WKYC Staff 4:14 p.m. EDT October 14, 2015 <u>http://www.wkyc.com/story/news/local/cleveland/2015/10/14/defendant-stops-trial-pleads-guilty-to-human-trafficking/7394327</u>

Cleveland man sentenced to 13 years for trafficking two teenage girls for sex at Independence hotel

http://www.cleveland.com/courtjustice/index.ssf/2015/08/cleveland_man_sentenced_to_13.html

Ohio Woman Sentenced to 51 Years to Life for Trafficking Child

http://patch.com/ohio/cleveland/ohio-woman-sentenced-51-years-life-trafficking-child



First-Ever Guilty Verdict on Human Trafficking by Cuyahoga County Jury

Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office- Press Release, October 6, 2014 <u>http://prosecutor.cuyahogacounty.us/en-US/2014-10-06-pr-first-human-trafficking-jury-guilty-verdict.aspx</u>

Guatemalan human-trafficking ringleader sentenced

By Lauren Lindstrom | BLADE STAFF WRITER http://www.toledoblade.com/Courts/2016/06/27/Guatemalan-human-trafficking-ringleader-sentenced-in-Toledo.html

Ashland Woman Sentenced To 32 Years In Prison For Labor...

U.S. Attorney's Office – Northern District of Ohio, July 24, 2014 http://www.justice.gov/usao/ohn/news/2014/24julyhunt.html

Kent State is dripping with "sugar babies"

http://www.ohio.com/news/local/kent-state-is-dripping-with-sugar-babies-1.396983

Elyria pimp gets life in prison

Cleveland Plain Dealer, June 12, 2014

http://www.cleveland.com/court-justice/index.ssf/2014/06/pimp_gets_life_in_prison.html



Ohio Human Trafficking Task Force

Leading the Fight to End Human Trafficking

www.humantrafficking.ohio.gov www.publicsafety.ohio.gov/ht





Created in 2009

Research and Analysis Legal and Legislative Victim Services and Safe Locations Training and Law Enforcement Prevention, Outreach, and Education Demand Reduction (2010)

www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/humantrafficking

Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA)

Areas of Focus:

- Prevention
 - Public awareness and education
- Protection
 - T visa, certification, benefits and services
- Prosecution
 - Created Federal crime of trafficking, new law enforcement tools and efforts

The 4th "P" is Partnership

State Law of OHIO: Highlights

Penalties for Traffickers

Trafficking in persons – Felony 1 (Ohio Revised Code 2905.32)

Note: No need to prove minors under 16 years old were "compelled" to engage in sex for hire

Note: No need to prove minors 16-17 years old were "compelled" to engage in sex for hire IF trafficker is in a "position of authority" over the victim

Unlawful conduct with respect to documents – Felony 3 (Ohio Revised Code 2905.33)

State Law of OHIO: Highlights

Penalties for Purchasers or "Johns"

Purchasing sex from a minor under 16 years old – Felony 3 Purchasing sex from a minor 16-17 years old – Felony 5 (Ohio Revised Code 2907.24)

Protections for Victims

Juvenile court can hold a delinquent child complaint in abeyance (Ohio Revised Code 2152.021)

Victims of trafficking in persons can have records expunged (*Qhio Revised Code 2953.38*)

Red Flags

- Cannot come and go as he/she pleases
- Appears submissive, afraid, nervous, depressed, malnourished
- Another person always speaks for him/her
- Evidence of physical or mental abuse
- Little to no control over his/her schedule, money, ID, travel documents
- Works long and/or unusual hours, lives where he/she works
- Has a much older boyfriend/girlfriend
- Has hotel card keys that he/she should not have
- Has new and expensive clothing that he/she cannot afford
- Branding—has strange tattoos ("Daddy," initials, name, dollar sign, barcode)





Needs of Trafficked Persons

Collaborative Approach – Law Enforcement; Social Service; Community Groups

- Services not detention
- Translation/interpretation
- Services for physical and mental health
- Food, housing, clothing
- Legal services immigration services
- Education
- Employment

What Can YOU Do?

How does human trafficking touch my life?



MADE IN A
FREE
WORLD

How many slaves work for you?



Find out Take the survey

Visit slaveryfootprint.org

California Transparency in Supply Chains Act of 2010

Effective January 1, 2012

Goal: "ensur[ing] large retailers and manufacturers provide consumers with information regarding their efforts to eradicate slavery and human trafficking from their supply chains."

Applies to every retailer and manufacturer doing business in California w/global gross receipts exceeding \$100 millic Must disclose on website

https://www.knowthechain.org/

Transparency in Supply Chains

S. 1968 and HR 3226: Ask your Senators and your Representative to sign on as cosponsors!



Getting Victims of Human Trafficking the Help They Need

1.888.3737.888 or text BeFree (233733)

This hotline will help you:

Determine if you have encountered victims of human trafficking

 Identify local community resources to help victims

 Coordinate with local social service organizations to help protect and serve victims so they begin process of restoring their lives

Local FBI Office (Cleveland and Lorain) 216-522-1400

Call local police if victim is at risk of imminent harm

www.acf.hhs.gov/trafficking

New Resources



- RTA As a Rider YOU can help—see pamphlet
- Project STAR Sex Trafficking: Advocacy and recovery: 855–431 STAR (7827)
- Bellefaire JBC Homeless Youth Program 216 570 8010
- Renee Jones Empowerment Center

ALL HOT Lines 24/7





Project STAR:

Sex Trafficking Advocacy and Recovery



Cleveland Rape Crisis Center Supporting Survivors. Promoting Prevention. Creating Change.

24-hour hotline: 855-431-STAR (7827)

Advocacy Case Management Therapy Professional Training

Collaborative to End Human Trafficking

A working group of concerned people in northern Ohio

Mission:

To educate and advocate for the prevention and abolition of human trafficking while connecting services on behalf of trafficked persons.

Local Collaboration - the Key!



- Connecting services requires broad collaboration with a variety of law enforcement, social service and health care providers, as well as others in the community.
- Greater Cleveland's Coordinated Response to Human Trafficking includes 30 partner organizations working together to address the issue.



Visit www.collaborativeinitiative.org to sign

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