

WHAT IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

Trafficked persons are **forced**, **defrauded**, or coerced into sexual or labor exploitation by another person who recruited, harbored, transported, provided, obtained, solicited, and/or patronized them.

Force | Physical Control

physical restraint, sexual assault, confinement

Fraud | False Promises

false romance, debt bondage, bait-and-switch job offer

Coercion | Threats

deportation threats, blackmail, confiscate legal documents, threats against family

IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING REALLY A PROBLEM?



24.9 MILLION
people trafficked globally*



313,000
estimated victims in Texas***



79,000
minor sex trafficking victims in Texas***



22,326 VICTIMS
reported in the U.S. in 2019**



234,000
adult labor trafficking victims in Texas***

HOW COULD HUMAN TRAFFICKING POSSIBLY HAPPEN?

Risk Factors

- Exposure to other forms of violence
- Recent migration/relocation
- Substance use
- Runaway/homeless youth
- Mental health concerns
- Involvement in systems



* International Labour Organization, 2017
 ** Polaris Project, 2019
 *** University of Texas, 2016

FIGHT HUMAN TRAFFICKING

WHAT DO I LOOK FOR?

- 🚩 Inability to leave job/living situation
- 🚩 Evidence of mental/physical abuse
- 🚩 Tattoos/branding marks
- 🚩 Accompanied by a controlling person
- 🚩 Fearful/Lack of eye contact
- 🚩 Lack of identification

HOW DO I HELP?

If you suspect human trafficking, take note of your observations and call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at (888) 373-7888

- Volunteer with UAHT
- Attend a Free Training to Learn More
- Give a Gift to fuel UAHT programs



WHO WE ARE

United Against Human Trafficking is ending human trafficking through preventing exploitation, empowering the community, and empowering survivors. We fight so that all may live free.



WHAT WE DO

Education
Youth Programs
Direct Services
Outreach
Demand Reduction
Coalition