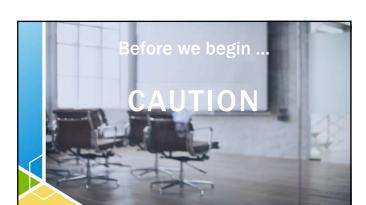
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# **Learning Objectives**

- Explain the who, what, where and why of human trafficking
- Define the three key elements of the criminal definition of human trafficking
- Identify factors that make a person vulnerable to human trafficking
- Explain the recruitment and control tactics used by traffickers
- Identify indicators of human trafficking from a victim's story, as well as physical and emotional cues
- Describe what a holistic community response to human trafficking looks like

# Section 1:

# **Overview of Human Trafficking**

# What is Human Trafficking?

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- Human trafficking involves the denial of a person's human right to freedom and basic dignity.
- It is a market-driven, criminal industry fueled by demand for labor services and commercial sex acts.
- Victims are forced, defrauded and/or coerced to provide services, labor, or commercial sex acts.
- It exists at the extreme end of a broader spectrum of human exploitation.

# People in forced labor estimation: 24.9 million Labor = 64% Sex = 19% State-imposed=17% Estimate of forced labor profits annually: \$150 Billion of this profit are from sexual exploitation) Estimate of forced labor profits annually: \$150 Billion (599 billion of this profit are from sexual exploitation) International labor Organization, 2027 Global Stimmate of Modern Sharey, Report and 2020 billion (590 billion of this profit are from sexual exploitation)

	The United States is both a destination and source for human trafficking.	Overview (8/14)
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Foreign Born Victims in the U.S	Victims in the U.S
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Victims come to the US as:

- Refugees
- Individuals with work visas, student visas, tourist visas
- Undocumented immigrants
- Persons married to a U.S. citizen
- Unaccompanied minors

# **Domestic Victims in the U.S.**

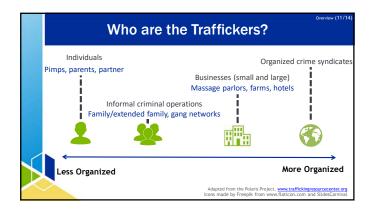
U.S Victims are:

- U.S. citizens/legal permanent residents
- Every gender, all ages
- Engaged in forced labor and sexual services
- The 2021 DOS TIP Report indicated that the U.S. was the top country of origin for federally identified victims (FY 2020) in the U.S.

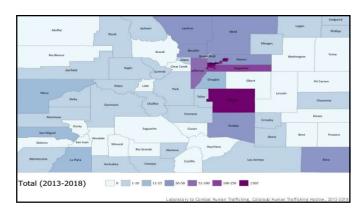
US Department of State, Trafficking in Person Report, July 20

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# Section 2 Laws on Human Trafficking

	Trafficking Victims Protection Act
	First passed in 2000
	<ul> <li>Made human trafficking a federal crime</li> </ul>
	It is a victim-centered law
5	• Reauthorized in 2003, 2005, 2008, 2013, and 2019

	What is Human Trafficking
	Human trafficking is a crime involving the exploitation of someone for the purposes of compelled labor or a commercial sex act through the use of force, fraud, or coercion.
	When a person younger than 18 is induced to perform a commercial sex act, it is a crime regardless of whether there is any force, fraud, or coercion.
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## **Colorado HB 14-1273**

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In 2014, HB14-1273 changed state criminal statutes on human trafficking to better align with federal human trafficking statues.

Established the Human Trafficking Council, a state-wide council of 35 representatives from various sectors

▶ Sets forth a number of mandates for the state council



C.R.S. § 18-3-50

# C.R.S. Title 19 Requirements

Law (3/-

## Under Title 19:

- Trafficking of a minor for sexual servitude or involuntary servitude = child abuse or neglect c.R.S.S 19-1-103
- CDHS required to screen youth for human trafficking, even when it involves third-party offenders CR.5.8 19-3-317
- In all cases of suspected or identified child trafficking, human services must notify local law enforcement (within 24-hours)

# **Section 3**

# Dynamics of Human Trafficking

# Potential Vulnerabilities Poverty Experience of homelessness Prior victimization Lack of opportunity Dreams of a better life Lack of community support Low self-esteem Substance use Disabled Prior child welfare or juvenile justice involvement

# Potential Vulnerabilities Unique to Foreign Victims Language

- Immigration status
- Cultural norms/cultural differences
- Political instability

# **Youth and Vulnerability**

Minors often experience *heightened* vulnerabilities to trafficking and exploitation Why?

- Dependent on others for protection and meeting basic needs
- Socialized to obey adults, especially care takers, and may lack ability to detect fraud or deceit
- Developing brain may exhibit impaired judgement

## **Recruitment Tactics**



- False job advertisements
- Promise of a better life
- Familial recruitment
- Intimate partner recruitment
- Social media recruitment
- Promise of legal status
- Use or threat of violence



# **Methods of Control**

- Economic abuse (demanding high quotas, debt bondage, etc.)
- Withholding basic needs
- Controlled drug use that could lead to dependency
- Physical or sexual assault
- Psychological manipulation
- Isolation, controlled movement, or monitoring
- Debt bondage
- False promise of legal status/threat of deportation
- Document confiscation
- Threats against family or friends



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# **Section 4**

# **Identifying Human Trafficking**

## Possible Indicators: Victim's Story

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- Discrepancy in reported versus apparent age
- Claims that she or he is "just visiting" and unable to provide a home address
- Does not know what city she or he is in
- Is unfamiliar with people they are with
- Inconsistencies in story or very restricted/scripted communication
- Presence of an overly controlling "friend," "partner," or "boss" throughout victim's story

Adapted from Arizona State University's School of Social Work, "Training Tool for EMS Providers"

# **Possible Indicators: Physical**

Identifying (2/

- Injuries/signs of physical or sexual abuse
- Bruises/injuries at different stages of healing
- Joint issues
- Signs of branding (tattoo, scars, cigarette burns)
- Signs of malnourishment and/or serious dental issues
- Signs of drug and/or alcohol dependency
- Hearing loss from head trauma
- Somatic signs of stress such as headaches, back pain, stomach pain
- Bald patches or missing hair

Adapted from Arizona State University's School of Social

### **Possible Indicators: Emotional**

• Demeanor - fear, anxiety, depression, submissive, tense, nervous

- Substance use
- Low self-esteem
- Excessive guilt, shame, embarrassment
- Expressing responsibility about their situation
- Minimizing level of violence experienced
- Disassociation
- Hostile, uncooperative
- Suicidal ideation

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## **Possible Indicators: Other**

- Someone else has possession of identification documents
- Third party who insists on interpreting
- Frequently texting or calling someone not present

# Complexities in Identification Language Stigma/Shame Unaware of rights Fear Feelings about trafficker Social isolation Distrust

# **Section 5**

# Responding to Human Trafficking

#### **Trafficking Service Survivor Needs Long Term Needs Short Term Needs** Safety planning Safety planning Housing • Emergency medical Legal services Employment/life skills Legal consultation Housing Community-based Identification of legal victim advocacy Consulate assistance guardianship Translation services

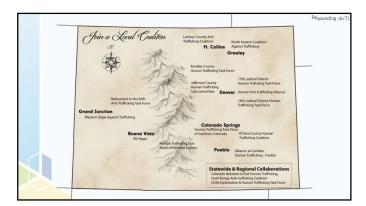


# See it, Report it

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- National Human Trafficking Hotline (888) 373-7888 or
   Text HELP or INFO to 233733 (BEFREE)
- Colorado Network to End Human Trafficking State Hotline (866) 455-5075
- Colorado Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline 1-844-CO-4-KIDS





# Would you like to know more?

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