

HUMAN TRAFFICKING HANDOUT

Compiled by Students & Artists Fighting to End Human Slavery

The Department of Justice estimates that **17,500 foreign nationals are trafficked annually in the United States alone.** The number of US citizens trafficked within the country is estimated to be more than **200,000 American children at high risk** for trafficking into the sex industry each year. Millions are trafficked throughout the world. The United Nations Estimates that **80% of global trafficking is into prostitution.**

Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, [United States federal law; the definition below is of 'severe forms of trafficking in persons', for which there are criminal penalties in the United States]

- a. Sex trafficking in which a commercial sex act is induced by **force, fraud, or coercion**, or in which the person induced to perform such an act has not attained 18 years of age; or
- b. The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of **force, fraud, or coercion** for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.

Where are trafficked people exploited?

- Agriculture / Farms
- Bride Trafficking
- Domestic work / Nanny
- Models or false agencies
- Pornography
- Service Industries (Waitress, janitors, cooks, etc.)
- Sex Industry / Prostitution
- Sex Tours
- Sweatshop
- Military: Child Soldiers, “Comfort Women”

Traffickers recruit foreign national victims from countries around the world, though, according to the U.S. Department of State, the majority of victims are from East Asia, Latin America, Eastern Europe and Africa. Traffickers lure them by promising a chance for a better life and then force them into the labor or commercial sex industry, denying them of their most basic right to freedom.

-- “Human Trafficking 101”, The Polaris Project Action Center

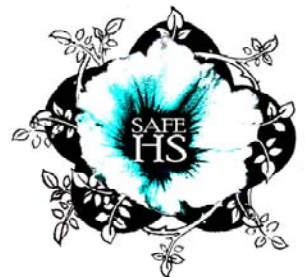
“Trafficking in human beings – mostly women and children – has become a global business that affects almost all countries and reaps enormous profits for traffickers and their intermediaries. Human trafficking is not new. What is new is the global sophistication, complexity and control of how women and children are trafficked from/to/in all parts of the globe”

– Janice Raymond, The Ongoing Tragedy of International Slavery and Human Trafficking: An Overview

How are they exploited?

Bonded labor
No benefits
Passports/identification with-held
Psychological Abuse (threats/perceived threat)
Sexual harassment/assault/rape
Slave like conditions
Unpaid overtime

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Traffickers Recruitment

- “Modeling” agencies
- Chat-rooms
- Email recruiting through social networking sites
- Instant Messaging
- Internet dating
- Intimate partners
- Marriage Agencies
- Media publicity through advertisements
- Online employment agencies
- Peer Recruitment
- School/campus outreach
- Social networks (people they know that go abroad/elsewhere for work)
- Spam mail



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JASMINE, CALIFORNIA: In September, Sacramento police Sgt. Pam Seyffert and her vice unit picked up 14 year-old Jasmine at a Good Nite Inn near California State University, Sacramento. They'd found Jasmine the same way so many men had: on craigslist. Young prostitutes often are disguised behind photos advertising older women and almost always claim to be at least 18. It is difficult to estimate just how many children are being pimped out, either locally or nationally. In 2003, the FBI reported about 1,400 juveniles were arrested nationally for prostitution. In Sacramento, between 2005 and 2007, the police department picked up at least 65 girls, but they feel there are more out there. To learn more about the internet and human trafficking, visit: www.eitcoalition.org

Students & Artists Fighting to End Human Slavery is a grassroots organization that believes that through **art/education and community coalitions may human trafficking be abolished.** The curriculum is diverse and collaborative; our goal is to inspire the community to explore various avenues in which they may artistically express themselves through a variety of lens and to support artists whose mission is to end exploitation through the arts. Because human slavery impacts everyone in the U.S. we value all forms of artistic expression and encourage race, gender, class and religious diversity in our students and mentors. **Our objective is to empower students/survivors and the community and its artists to recognize their agency in promoting social change and abolishing human slavery through the arts and education.** It is a safe space for the community to define what human slavery / human trafficking means to them and how we are all impacted by this global phenomenon.

**If you or someone you know is being trafficked: 1-866-878-4754 or
for local Bay Area, CA dial 2-1-1**

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