

Did you Know?

- Human trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery, in which human beings are controlled and exploited for profit. Perpetrators use force, fraud, or coercion to manipulate and establish control over individuals.
- 21 Million People Worldwide Are Victims Of Human Trafficking
- 79,000 youth are trafficked in Texas and Texas is ranked second in the nation for reported cases.
- There are more than 40 million human trafficking victims worldwide with approximately two million in the United States,
- Approximately 500,000 children are sold for sex repeatedly each year in the U.S. with 12-14 year olds being a largely targeted group." 1 in 4 are trafficked from a family member.
- Trauma bonds the victim developed with their traffickers (real and extremely difficult to break)
- Annually the Commercial Sex Exploration Industry profits \$99 billion
- Preventing Human Trafficking/ the awareness of Human Trafficking actually saves money in the long run. It costs approximately \$100,000 to retrieve one victim from human trafficking. It takes a victim 5-7 attempts to leave their trafficker
- Victims can be lured into trafficking using promises, psychological manipulations, provision or drugs and alcohol, and violence.
- A majority of cases, traffickers use social media/the Internet to identify and research victims in order to force or coerce them into labor, services, or sex acts for financial gain of the trafficker.
- Some of the most dangerous mobile applications as Instagram, TikTok, and Snapchat, give people (not just kids) the attention they are seeking and sharing their life online can open them up to traffickers who take advantage of that information. Traffickers use social media/the Internet to identify and research victims in order to force or coerce them into labor, services, or sex acts for financial gain of the trafficker.

If the community is aware of what to look for, if kids and parents are aware and get educated we can stop the trafficker before they can even get started.

Human Trafficking Awareness & Prevention mobile exhibit vehicles

