

TRAFFICKING RED FLAGS

- Is not free to come and go as they wish
- Is under 18 providing commercial sex acts
- Is unpaid, paid very little, or paid only through tips
- Works excessively long and/or unusual hours
- Is not allowed breaks or suffers under unusual restrictions at work
- Owes a large debt
- Is fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive, tense, or nervous/paranoid
- Poor Physical Health
- Lacks health care

- Signs of physical and/or sexual abuse
- Has few or no personal possessions
- Is not in control of their own money
- Is not in control of their own ID DOCUMENTS
- Is not allowed or able to speak for themselves (a third party may insist on being present and/or translating)
- Claims of just visiting and inability to clarify where they are staying
- Lack of knowledge of whereabouts
- Loss of sense of time
- Has inconsistencies in their story
- Tattoos /branding

SURVIVORS' BELIEFS

- This is my fault
- I'm bad
- Should have known better
- People use me
- Don't feel love hurts
- This is what I deserve
- This is as good as it gets
- I am not a victim

THINGS TO AVOID

- •DO NOT try to persuade them to stop or leave. These actions could put the person in great danger from their trafficker
- •DO NOT attempt to "rescue" the victim/survivor. Our role is to help them identify and choose the safest and best options

DO THEY WANT HELP? YES...

- Discuss current needs of individual
- Consult with your Territorial Anti-Trafficking Representative about resources/capacity/ability to meet these needs
- If there is a local TSA Anti-Trafficking program, refer for support
- If unable to meet needs at TSA, refer to other community anti-trafficking program
- Contact the National HT Hotline to identify local resources: 888.3737.888
- If the person is a minor (under the age of 18): Trafficking of a minor for either sex or labor is child abuse
- If a minor discloses a trafficking experience, follow your location's procedure for reporting child abuse/neglect to Child Protective Services

DO THEY WANT HELP? NO...

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- If the person is an adult...Consult with your Territorial anti-Trafficking Representative for planning/support/follow up
- Ask if it is safe to give them the National HT Hotline so they can receive help when they are ready: 888-3737-888
- REMEMBER: It is unethical to contact law enforcement without their permission

National Human Trafficking Hotline

