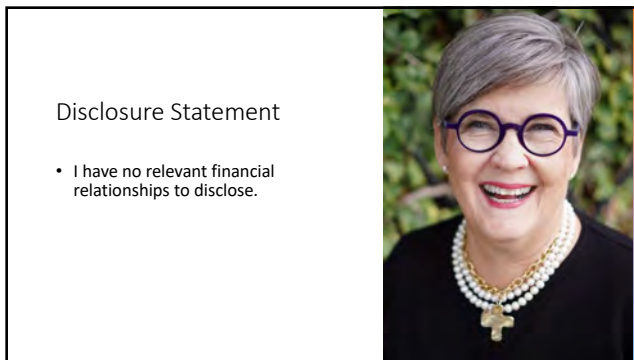
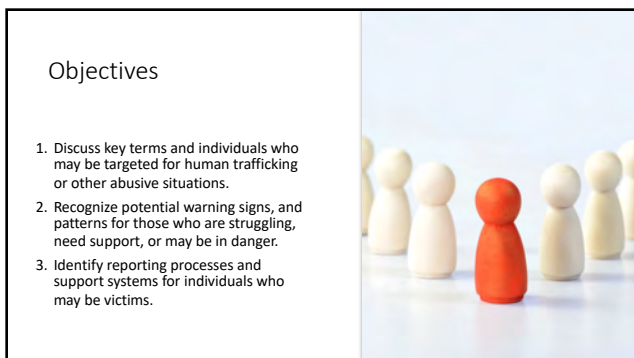




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Human Trafficking

Use of force, fraud, or coercion
to compel a person

into commercial sex acts or
labor against their will.

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Definitions

- **Force:** Physical assault, use of restraints, handcuffs, drugs.
- **Fraud:** Promise of better life.
- **Coercion:** Using threats to compel someone to act against their will.
- **Exploitation:** the action or fact of treating someone unfairly in order to benefit from their work.

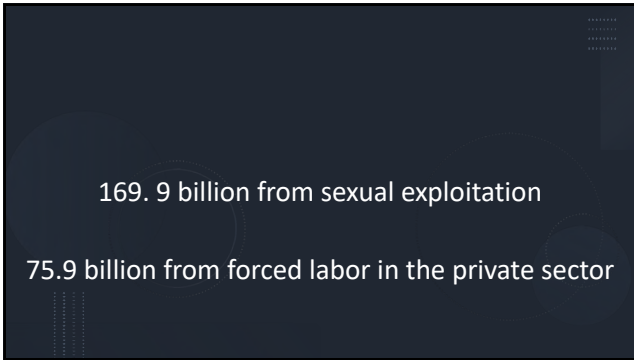


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Modern Day Slavery

240 Billion Dollar Industry
Second only to drug trafficking

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NC Cases

SILER CITY, N.C. (WNCN) — A second 15-year-old in a week in North Carolina was subject to human trafficking, according to the State Bureau of Investigation. A statewide Amber Alert was issued on Thursday, though the teen had been missing since Feb. 21 and search efforts were

During a press conference Thursday, Philip VanWyngarden, an FBI assistant special agent in charge, said cases like this are less about the geographic location or upbringing of the child and more about predators targeting children in the online space.


The 15-year-old girl was reported missing from Harnett County on Wednesday morning. WTVB reports she was found Thursday morning in Dare County, along the coast.

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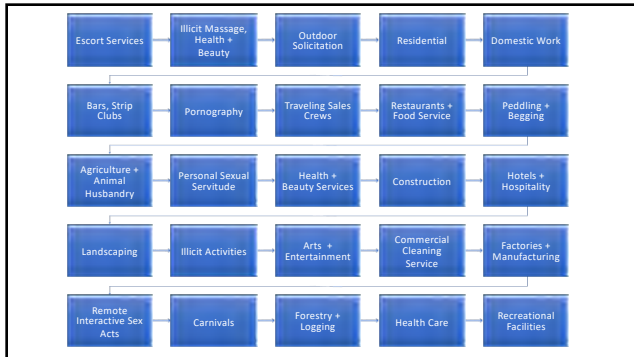
Vast majority of trafficking victims know, may trust and love the trafficker.

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Power
Vulnerability
Profit

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very little

HELP

WHY?

- Low Risk
 - Lack of government and law enforcement training
 - Low ~~community awareness~~
 - Ineffective/unused laws + lack of investigation
 - Scarce resources for victim recovery
 - Social blaming
- High Profit: Labor + sex

[National Human Trafficking Hotline](#)

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Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000

Combats trafficking in persons, especially into the sex trade, slavery, and involuntary servitude, to reauthorize certain Federal programs to prevent violence against women, and for other purposes.

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Three Elements

illustrate + articulate

Action

Means

(force, fraud, coercion)

Purpose


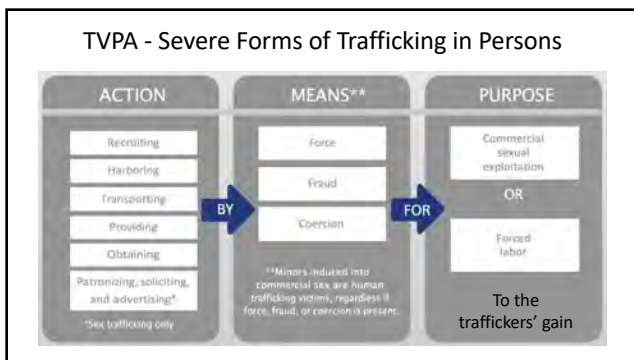
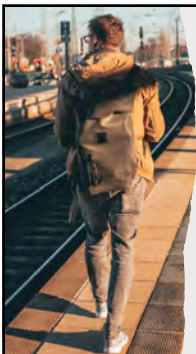


Photo: PP

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Action

- Recruiting: Targeting vulnerable individuals
- Harboring: Isolation, confinement
- Transporting: Movement, arrange travel
- Providing: Giving to another person
- Obtaining: Forcibly taking
- Soliciting*: Offering something of value
- Patronizing*: Receiving something of value

*Only for sex trafficking

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Means

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Trafficking- Minors

Coercion, deception or the exchange or promise of something of value is NOT required.



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Photo: Pexels

purpose
Labor Trafficking

- Domestic servitude
- Forced child labor
- 86% occurs in the private sector

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Domestic Servitude

- Work in private residence
- Not monitored by outside source
- Controlled access
 - Food
 - Transportation
- Isolated – work alone
- Foreign domestic workers barriers
 - Language
 - Cultural

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purpose Sex Trafficking

National Human Trafficking Hotline
Jan 2020 – August 2022

44% of sex trafficking victims trafficked by a **family member**


39% of sex trafficking victims trafficked by an **intimate partner**



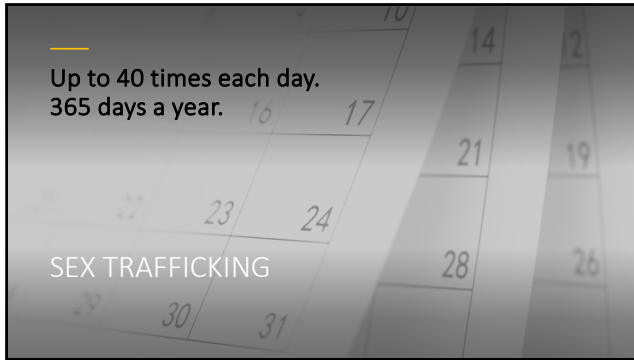
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Escort Service: Commercial Sex Trade

- Trafficker
 - Single, often intimate partner
 - Coordinated network, organized crime
- Recruitment
 - Modeling contracts, promise of shelter, financial support
 - Romantic interest
- Method of Control
 - Out call or in call
 - Extreme physical + sexual violence, weapons
 - Quotas, debt, intimidation (police involvement)
 - Trauma bonds



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Traffickers

Foreign nationals/US citizens, pimp, gang member, diplomat, business owner

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Ideal Environment

- Tourist destination
- Large public events (sporting)
- Seasonal farm work
- Online advertising opportunities
- Interstate highways
- Truck stops/rest stops
- Military bases
- Colleges + universities
- Borders another country

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Who is Trafficked

- Foreign nationals (documented/undocumented)
- Addictions
- Financial stress, lack of transportation
- People of color, indigenous communities
- History of childhood sexual abuse
- Foster care, juvenile justice systems
- High crime neighborhoods: violence, drugs
- Sexual orientation, gender identity
- Runaways
- Migrant workers
- Limited English proficiency



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How Are Youth Targeted?

- Social networks
- Escort websites
- Bus or truck stops
- Youth Centers
- Homeless Shelters
- Schools and malls
- Peer recruiters



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One- third of all runaways are **trafficked** within 48 hours.

Photo: Pixels

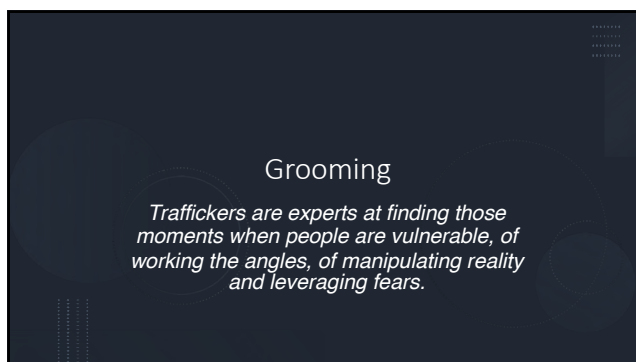
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750,000
Predators Online

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Grooming: Sexual Abuse

Desensitization to touch +
discussion of sexual topics

RAINN.org

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Key Messages

- Sex trafficking rarely begins with kidnapping by a stranger, instead most victims are groomed and exploited by someone they know and may even love.
- Traffickers prey on vulnerabilities, whether it's financial need, a need for love and acceptance, insecurity, or something else.
- The grooming process is the method by which traffickers gain control over their victim and manipulate them into cooperating in their own exploitation, making it difficult for them to leave.

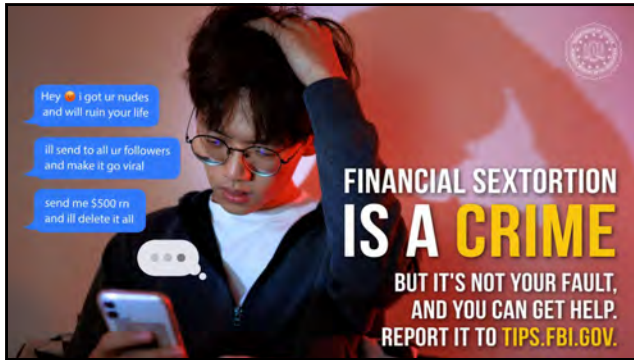
Polaris Project

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It's 11 o'clock. Do you know where your kids are?

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fbi.gov/sextortion
fbi.gov/financialsextortion

Shocking Numbers

- From October 2021 to March 2023, the FBI and Homeland Security Investigations received **over 13,000** reports of online financial sextortion of minors
- The sextortion involved at least 12,600 victims, primarily boys, and led to at least **20 suicides**.

or threatened into sending explicit pictures or videos online?

Tell a trusted adult or contact the FBI at 1-800-CALL-FBI

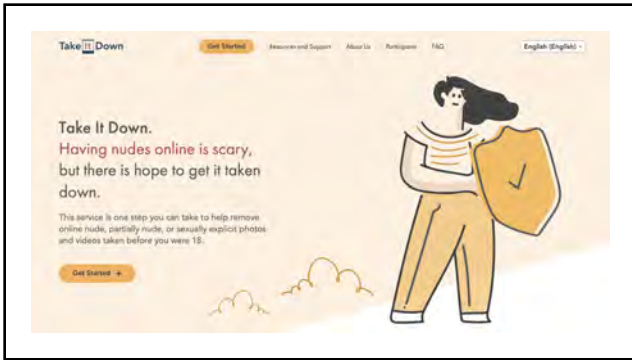
You are not in trouble. There's help. There's hope.

This can be a crime

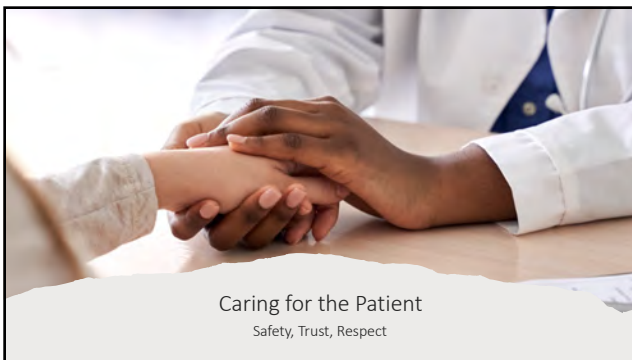
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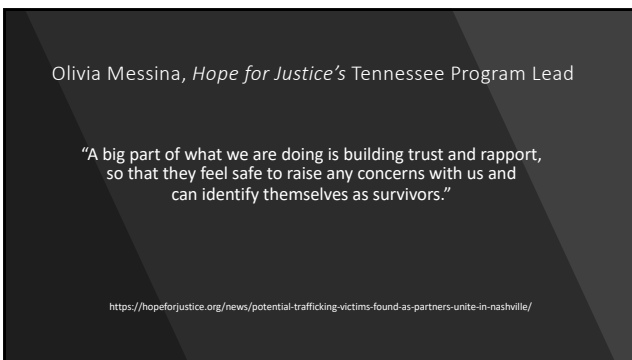
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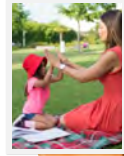
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Trafficking Victims

- Tattoos or branding
- Age reported may seem inconsistent
- Chronic medical problems
- Resistant to answering questions
- Nervous, fearful, may startle easily
- Over apologetic
- Not sure of day, dates, location
- Submissive, emotionally withdrawn
- Overbearing/hovering person present and may speak for the person



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Trafficking + Trauma

SAMHSA describes trauma as an event or circumstance resulting in:

- physical harm
- emotional harm
- and/or life-threatening harm

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration



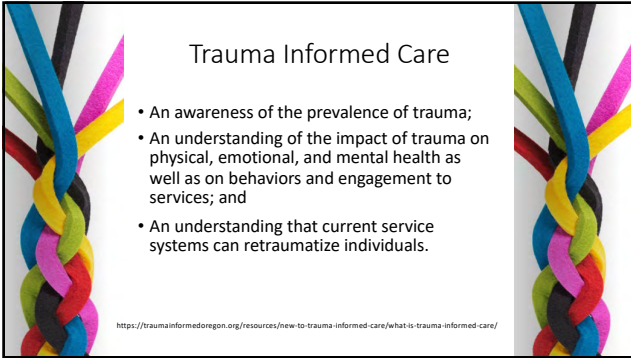
<https://www.samhsa.gov/trauma-violence>

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Constant state of fight or flight

- Experience stored in the brain's emotional center
- Live on as the event's images, feelings, sounds
- Events may trigger these emotions
- Defensive, anxious, difficult, uncooperative

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Trauma Informed Care

- An awareness of the prevalence of trauma;
- An understanding of the impact of trauma on physical, emotional, and mental health as well as on behaviors and engagement to services; and
- An understanding that current service systems can retraumatize individuals.

<https://traumainformedoregon.org/resources/new-to-trauma-informed-care/what-is-trauma-informed-care/>

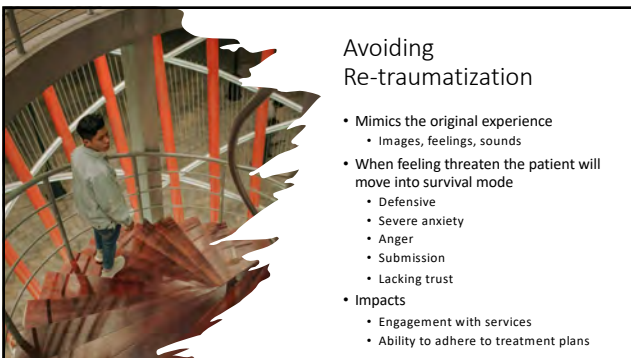
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Shift the Focus

*"What's wrong with you?" to
"What happened to you?"*

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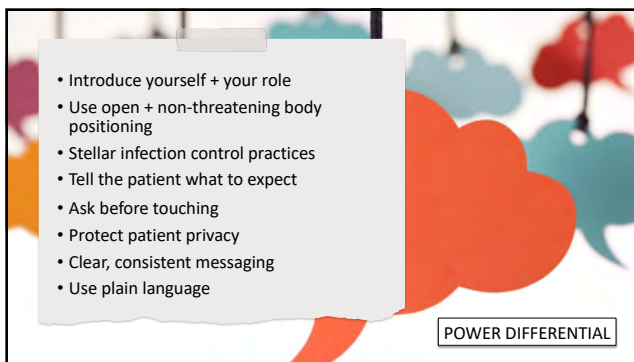
Avoiding Re-traumatization

- Mimics the original experience
 - Images, feelings, sounds
- When feeling threaten the patient will move into survival mode
 - Defensive
 - Severe anxiety
 - Anger
 - Submission
 - Lacking trust
- Impacts
 - Engagement with services
 - Ability to adhere to treatment plans

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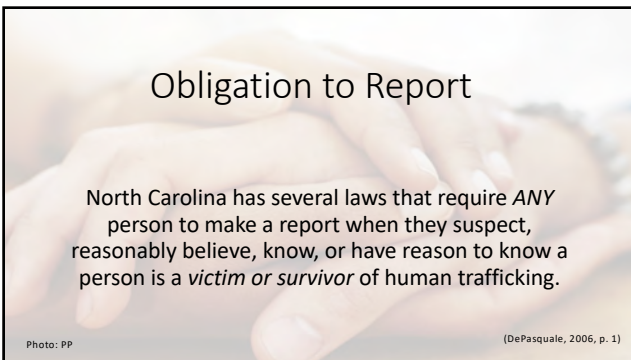
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Survivor Challenges

- Basic needs
- Job
- Physical + emotional scars
- Social stigmas
- Legal issues

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Obligation to Report

North Carolina has several laws that require **ANY** person to make a report when they suspect, reasonably believe, know, or have reason to know a person is a *victim or survivor* of human trafficking.

Photo: PP (DePasquale, 2006, p. 1)

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Mandated Report

- A juvenile who is a victim or survivor of human trafficking
- An adult who was a juvenile victim or survivor of human trafficking
- A disabled adult who is in need of protective services and is a victim or survivor of human trafficking

Human Trafficking: Mandated Reporting

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Client Under 18 Years

Currently Being or Has Been Trafficked

"What we talk about is confidential except for one condition. Since you are under 18 and a victim or survivor of human trafficking, the law requires me to make a report of your situation to the county department of social services and to local law enforcement."

"If I have to make a report, I will tell you and we can talk about it. You can also decide if you want to make the report with me. It will be up to the county department and law enforcement as to whether they will take any action or what action that will be."



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Client is 18 or Older

Trafficked While Minor

"What we talk about is confidential except for one condition. If you were under 18 when you first became a victim of human trafficking, the law requires me to report that to local law enforcement. I do not have to make a report if you were 18 or older when you first became a victim of human trafficking."

"If I have to make a report, I will tell you and we can talk about it. You can also decide if you want to make the report with me. It will be up to law enforcement as to whether they will take any action or what action that will be."



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Disabled Adult

Currently Being Trafficked

What we talk about is confidential except for two conditions. If you are being abused, neglected, or exploited, the law requires me to report that to the adult protective services division of the county department of social services. The second is if you were under 18 when you first became a victim of human trafficking, the law requires me to report that to local law enforcement."

"If I have to make a report to either or both agencies, I will tell you and we can talk about it. You can also decide if you want to make the report with me. It will be up to the county department or law enforcement as to whether they will take any action or what action that will be."



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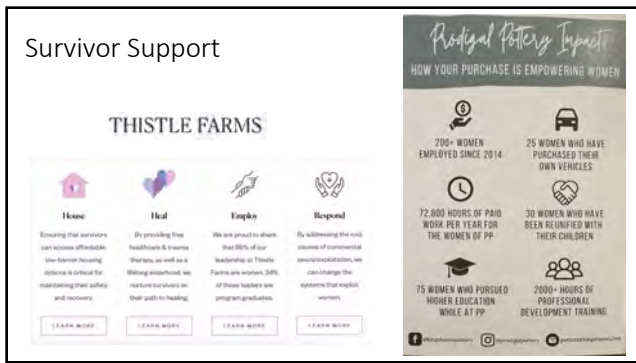








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