

### **What is human trafficking?**

Human trafficking, also known as the trafficking of persons, is a modern-day form of slavery. It is a crime that involves force, fraud, and coercion to control victims.

### **Who is vulnerable & where does it happen?**

There is no single profile of a trafficking victim. Anyone can become a victim of human trafficking, including minors subjected to sexual exploitation. Victims can be sold in various places, such as truck stops, restaurants, rest areas, hotels/motels, private homes, and more.

### **Truckers play a crucial role as highway observers.**

Truck stops are one of the hot spots for human trafficking. If you suspect human trafficking activity, follow the steps in this brochure. **If you see something, say something.**



**See Something? Say Something. Your Actions Matter.**

**National Human Trafficking Hotlines:**

**US: 1-888-373-7888**

**Canada: 1-833-900-1010**

**Mexico: 800-5533-000**

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## How do you spot human trafficking?

Here are some common red flags to look for when you suspect human trafficking may be at play:

- Restricted communication: Victims are monitored and unable to speak for themselves
- Suspicious van or vehicle with multiple women in predominantly male areas (may make frequent stops)
- Victims lack knowledge of their location
- Victims do not have control over their ID/passport
- Victims may show signs of branding/tattooing by a trafficker (often on the neck)
- Victims may show signs of bruising

## How can you help?

If you suspect human trafficking, contact 911 or local law enforcement immediately, sharing the following information:

- Vehicle and person description, including photos if possible
- Specific times, dates, and locations of suspected trafficking activity
- Stress the suspected human trafficking activity, not just prostitution

Next, notify a National Human Trafficking Hotline at the following numbers. Hotlines track human trafficking data to identify trends and scope. In the U.S., severe human trafficking felonies lead to a lifetime commercial driver's license (CDL) ban.

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Important Notice: Do not approach suspected traffickers; please allow law enforcement to intervene.