

KNOW THE SIGNS. CHANGE A LIFE.

COMMON SIGNS OF SEX TRAFFICKING:



Overly Controlling Partner

Communicates with the victim constantly, asking them where they are, who they are with, and when they will return. A trafficker will often give their victim a second phone to communicate with them.

Visible Signs of Branding

Traffickers often will brand victims with tattoos to show ownership. Tattoos are often related to money or power and are often dollar signs, crowns, diamonds, or the pimp's own name



Tense, Fearful Behavior

Demonstrates tense, anxious, fearful behavior. Often is submissive, depressed, and avoids making eye contact.

COMMON SIGNS OF LABOR TRAFFICKING:

Unfit Working Conditions

Works long or unusual hours in often dangerous conditions. Victims may not receive bathroom or lunch breaks and can not come and go freely.



Debt Bondage

Victims are forced to work to repay a long standing debt or an inherited debt from family members. Traffickers use this as leverage to hold victims in jobs, often making it impossible for them to leave.

Overly Controlling Employers

Victims are often transported to and from work by their employer and are not allowed to speak for themselves. Many live where they work.



OTHER COMMON SIGNS:

- Unexplained injuries or malnourishment
- Chronic absenteeism/truancy
- Lack of confidence
- Few or no personal items
- Monitored/reserved movement
- Carries two cell phones
- Signs of drug use
- Graphic online profile
- Lack of identification documents
- Fearful of authorities
- Wears clothing covering signs of abuse
- Unwilling to give name/uses an alias

