Human Trafficking
Modern Day Slavery

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What Is Human Trafficking?

• Act of compelling or coercing a person's labor, services, or commercial sex acts

• Forms of human trafficking
  • Commercial sex exploitation
  • Personal service
  • Forced labor

• 27 million people are trafficked around the world
  • 50% are children, 70% - 80% are female

• $32 billion generated yearly in profits annually by the human trafficking industry

• Largest subset of human trafficking is sex trafficking
  • Average age of entry into commercial sex industry is 12-14
Recruitment Strategies

• “Boy-friending”
• False-front agencies
• Local sex industries
• Abduction
• Families living in poverty
• Internet & social media
  – Increase in online solicitation
Damaging Effects of Human Trafficking

Serious, lifelong, and even life threatening consequences in the following areas...

• Physical
• Psychological, Emotional
  • Spiritual
  • Moral
  • Social
• Addictions
• Legal
Challenges to Rehabilitation

- **Relapse**
  - For many years, this is the way they knew how to survive. Victims frequently run back to their traffickers

- **Brainwashed**
  - Not to trust law enforcement
  - Not to trust service providers

- **Loyalty to trafficker/pimp**
  - Trauma bonds
  - Stockholm Syndrome

Clinical Treatment

- Trauma-Focused CBT

Advocacy & Policy

- The Swedish Model
NJ Human Trafficking Hotline: 877-986-7534

The National Human Trafficking Resource Center (NHTRC): 1-888-373-7888 or text BeFree (233733)
National, toll-free hotline, available to answer calls and texts from anywhere in the country, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, every day of the year.


