# WHAT IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

Human Trafficking is the recruitment, transportation, transfer, harboring or receipt of people through force, fraud or deception, with the aim of exploiting them for profit. Men, women and children of all ages and from all backgrounds can become victims of this crime, which occurs in every region of the world.

## FACTS ABOUT HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Advocates report a growing trend of traffickers using online social media platforms to recruit and advertise targets of human trafficking.

The average age a teen enters the sex trade in the US is 12 to 14 years old. It's estimated that internationally there are between 20 million and 40 million people in modern slavery today.

# WHO COULD BE A VICTIM?

There is no single profile of a trafficking victim. Victims of human trafficking can be anyone—regardless of race, color, national origin, disability, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic status, education level, or citizenship status.

# SOCIAL JUSTICE SERVICES

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## Federal Bureau of Investigation

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# IN AN EMERGENCY CALL 911

## **HEALTHCARE SERVICES**

#### Staten Island University Hospital

For any urgent or emergent medical or mental health needs, please refer patients to the Staten Island University Hospital North Emergency Department at 475 Seaview Ave. Staten Island. NY

#### Division of Child Abuse & Neglect Dana Kaplan, MD

Director of Child Abuse and Neglect, Department of Pediatrics STAND Clinic (sex trafficking, abuse. neglect, domestic violence) For non-urgent referrals: 718-226-8063

## **Division of Adolescent Medicine**

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# THE NATIONAL **HUMAN TRAFFICKING** HOTLINE

PHONE: 1 888 373 7888 Text: "BE FREE" (233733)

**MISSION STATEMENT** 

The Staten Island Human Trafficking Task Force (SIHTTF) is a local multidisciplinary coalition responding to human trafficking using a survivorcentered holistic approach. The task force membership aims to (1) provide community awareness through coordinated trainings and outreach, (2) build collaborative strategies between social service providers, health care systems and criminal justice stakeholders to provide comprehensive victim services and (3) support the criminal justice capacity to identify, investigate, and prosecute human trafficking crimes using trauma-informed and client centered practices.



# The Staten Island **Human Trafficking Task Force**

**Staten Island Community** Resource Guide