

Did You Know?

- **Anyone can be trafficked**, including U.S. citizens, foreign nationals and adults and children of any age, gender identity, or sexual orientation.
- **Anyone can be a trafficker**, including a person who you trust.

Learn more about domestic and gender-based violence at www.nyc.gov/endgbv

Get Help

If you think you or someone you know is experiencing human trafficking, or you are not sure, you can get help.

NYC's 24-Hour Hope Hotline

1-800-621-HOPE (4673)

National Human Trafficking Hotline

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SMS 233-733

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for confidential services and support to stay safe.

If you are in immediate danger or want to report a crime call or text 911.



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Visit the NYC HOPE Resource Directory at www.nyc.gov/NYCHOPE

for information and resources for domestic and gender-based violence.



Call 311 or visit the NYC Family Justice Center (FJC) in the borough where you live (or one where you feel safest) to get connected.

All Centers are open for in-person or remote services, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. No appointment is necessary. FJCs welcome people of all ages, sexual orientations, and gender identities, regardless of immigration status, income, or language spoken.

NYC FAMILY JUSTICE CENTERS

Bronx

(718) 508-1220 | 198 East 161st Street, 2nd Fl.

Brooklyn

(718) 250-5113 | 350 Jay Street, 15th Fl.

Manhattan

(212) 602-2800 | 80 Centre Street, 5th Fl.

Queens

(718) 575-4545 | 126-02 82nd Avenue

Staten Island

(718) 697-4300 | 126 Stuyvesant Place

Call or text 911 in an emergency.

Understanding HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Resources & Information



Mayor's Office to End Domestic and Gender-Based Violence

What is Human Trafficking?

Human trafficking is the use of power and control to force, trick, or coerce someone into engaging in providing labor or services, including commercial sex.

Traffickers exploit social and economic inequity for their own benefit, using tactics like violence, emotional manipulation, and psychological threats.

Trafficking is a criminal act.

Venues or industries where trafficking is commonly reported in New York include:

- Agriculture
- Commercial sex work based in a residence or hotel/motel
- Construction
- Domestic work
- Escort services
- Illicit massage/spa businesses
- Restaurants and food service

Learn more about gender-based violence, including human trafficking, at www.nyc.gov/endgbv

Help is available 24/7

Are You or Someone You Know...?

- in significant debt to an employer or trafficker?
- not being paid for work?
- forced to live and work on-site, confined, physically restrained, or tortured at work?
- being forced or encouraged to trade sex for payment by someone you trust?
- being monitored or tracked by an employer, manager, or pimp?
- working for someone who controls your money, financial records, or bank accounts?
- working for someone who controls your identification documents, such as an ID or passport?

How to Help a Friend

- Believe them and let them know it's not their fault
- Let them know you care about their well-being
- Ask them what they need and what would be helpful
- Listen and respect their choices even if you disagree
- Offer options and information about resources

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You have a right to make your own choices and decisions.