Truckers Against Trafficking

Prevention and Intervention: Combating Human Trafficking Through the Trucking and Busing Industries

What is Human Trafficking?

The exploitation of human beings through force, fraud or coercion, for the purpose of **commercial sex or forced labor**, when a third party is making a profit.

It is modern day slavery.

SOURCE: International Labor Organization



Smuggling vs. Trafficking

Crime against a Crime against a VS PERSON





Myth #1: We live in a slave free world





There are **40 million** victims of human trafficking globally.

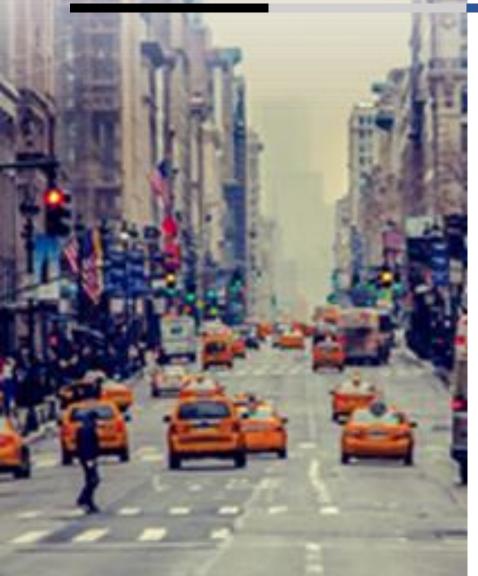
SOURCE: International Labor Organization



Human trafficking is a **\$150 billion** industry.



SOURCE: International Labor Organization



Human trafficking happens in **all 50 states**, including D.C.

SOURCE: National Human Trafficking Resource Center



1 in 6 runaways are at risk of being trafficked.







A victim may be forced to have sex up to **20 times** a day.

SOURCE: Polaris



Myth #2: All traffickers look like TV pimps



Who are the traffickers?



- Alleged pimp indicted, accused of beating prostitute who wanted to quit
- For about an hour, court documents claim, Demarion Keyes punched, slapped, choked, and struck her with a belt in his Waikiki apartment.



Five arrested on suspicion of running sex trafficking ring Five people were arrested on suspicion of running a San Gabriel Valley-based sex trafficking ring that operated from San Diego to Fresno, authorities said Tuesday. LATIMES.COM | BY LOS ANGELES TIMES Foreign diplomats accused of human trafficking, assault in US

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Devyani Khobragade, India's deputy consul general, has been accused of underpaying a domestic worker she brought to the US from India. Photo: Reuters



2 men charged with sex trafficking, assault

Two men, one from Montgomery County and one from Chester County, face sex trafficking, child pornography, and sex assault charges, officials say.



Four charged in prostitution 'sting' at Bend hotels

Four people were arrested or cited Thursday in a sting operation targeting prostitution at several Bend hotels, with police saying one 19-year-old woman had been a victim of sex trafficking since she was 13.

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ICE Top 10 human trafficking fugitive arrested in Indiana

Jamal Moore, 33, is currently wanted in Hennepin County (Minneapolis) Minnesota 1 on a state charge of promoting prostitution of a minor.

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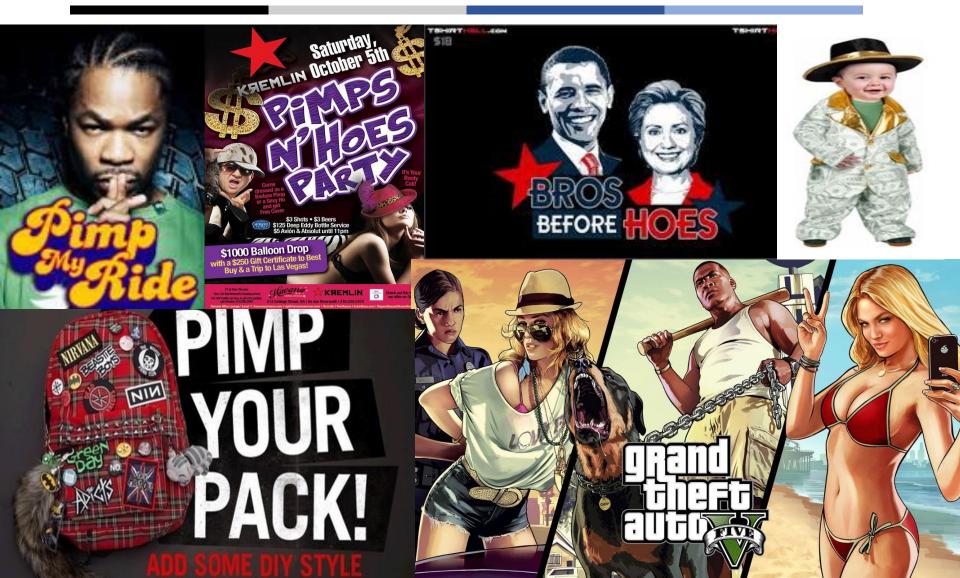
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Means Traffickers Use

- Force
- Fraud
- Coercion



The Perfect Storm



Myth #3: It doesn't happen in my hometown

FBI rescues 149 children, arrests 153 in operation targeting sextraffickers



42 in Iowa, Nebraska arrested in human trafficking sting

Charly Haley , chaley@dmreg.com 5:18 p.m. CT Oct. 20, 2016

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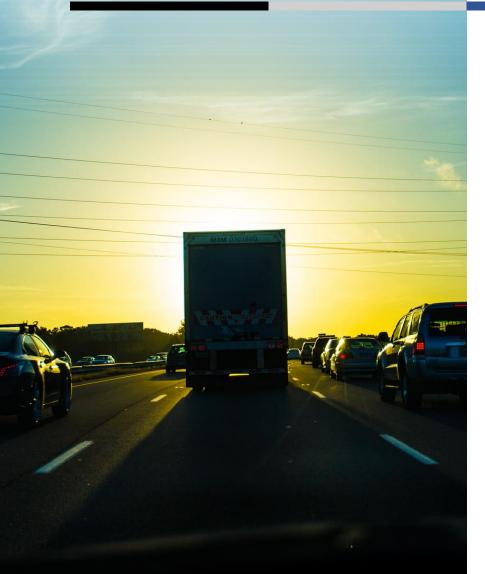
Two kidnapping suspects identified; report reveals alleged victim subjected to physical, sexual abuse

By Alan Chamberlain I January 8, 2015 1:46 pm



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TAT's Mission



Truckers Against Trafficking's Mission

Professional Truck Drivers:

- Are trained to be vigilant and observant
- Intersect with victims at: Truck stops/parking lots Rest areas Places of business City streets hotels/motels Bus terminals
- Are the eyes and ears out on the road



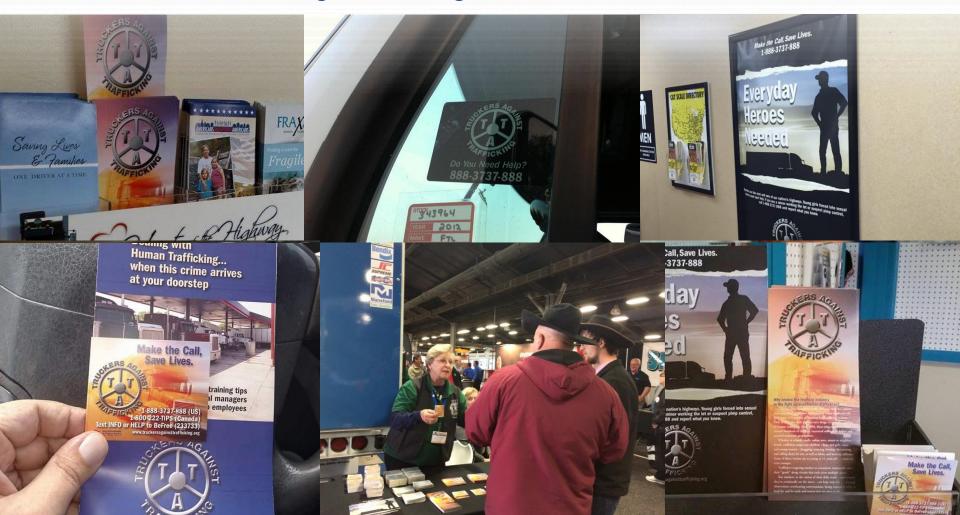
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Truckers Against Trafficking (TAT) seeks to educate, equip, empower and mobilize members of the trucking and busing industries to combat human trafficking as part of their regular jobs.



TAT's Goals

Saturate the trucking and busing industries with TAT materials







Our primary training tool is our Phase II DVD.



Wallet Card

Immediately:

If you're watching a crime in progress, call 911 and then call the hotline. If you're at a truck stop/travel plaza or any other place of business, please notify the manager-on-duty of the suspicious activity; she/he needs to be aware of what is taking place on the lot and assist in ending it.

Warning:

Please do not approach traffickers. Allow law enforcement to deal with traffickers and recover victims. Approaching traffickers is not only dangerous for you and their victims but could lead to problems in the eventual prosecution of traffickers.

Note:

There is now a lifetime ban on a CDL for any individual who uses their CMV to commit a felony involving a severe form of human trafficking. All 50 states and DC have a law criminalizing sex trafficking. Some states punish sex purchasers the same as sex traffickers, generally with felony level crimes, and 31 states have a buyer-applicable trafficking law that prohibits a mistake-of-age defense in prosecutions for buying a commercial sex act with any minor under 18.



Wallet Card

Human trafficking is modern-day slavery. Traffickers use force, fraud and coercion to control their victims. Any minor engaged in commercial sex is a victim of human trafficking. While the initial purchase of victims may occur online, the real-time sale of victims can happen in many locations, including truck stops, restaurants, rest areas, hotels/motels, strip clubs, private homes, etc. Truckers are the eyes and the ears of our nation's highways. If you see a minor working any of those areas or suspect that the person selling sex is under someone else's control in order to make a quota, call the National Hotline and report your tip:

1-888-3737-888 (US) = 1-800-222-TIPS (Canada)

01800-5533-000 (Mexico) Text INFO or HELP to BeFree (233733)

For law enforcement to open an investigation on your tip, they need "actionable information." This would include:

- Descriptions of cars (make, model, color, license plate number, etc.) and people (height, weight, hair color, eye color, age, etc.) Take a picture if you can.
- Specific times and dates (When did you see the event in question take place? What day was it?)
- Addresses and locations where suspicious activity took place

Questions to Ask:

- Do you keep your own money? If not, who does?
- Do your parents/siblings/relatives know where you are? If not, why not?
- When was the last time you saw your family?
- Are you physically or sexually abused? Are you or your family threatened?
- What is the nature of the threats?

Trafficking Red Flags to Look For:

- Lack of knowledge of their whereabouts; not in control of ID/passport
- Restricted or controlled communication not allowed to speak for self
- CB chatter about "commercial company" or flashing lights signaling "buyer" location
- Acknowledgement of a pimp and making a quota
- Signs of branding or tattooing of trafficker's name (often on the neck)
- A van or RV that seems out of place out by trucks; a vehicle dropping someone off at a truck and picking them up 15-20 minutes later

Window Decal





BUSING ON THE LOOKOUT (BOTL)

Traffickers recruit victims out of bus terminals and use buses to transport victims.

Bus drivers and station employees Are the eyes and ears at terminals and

- on the road
- Intersect with victims at terminals, rest areas or gas stations, on streets. and as passengers



BOTL

- Created: Industry specific training materials Goal: All in the bus industry are trained and have wallet cards

TAT's Goals

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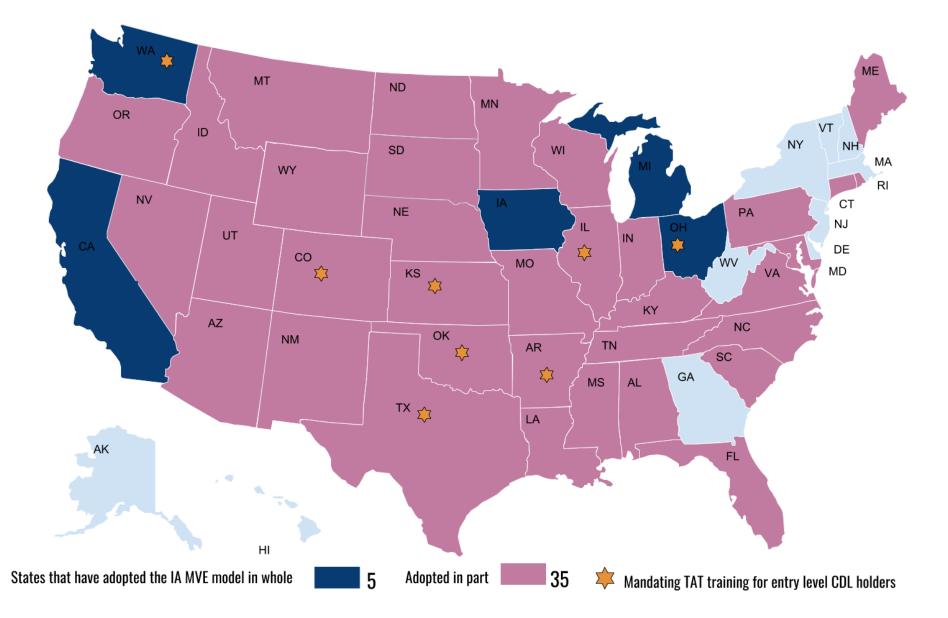
Partnership with Law Enforcement

Partner with law enforcement to facilitate the investigation of human trafficking.

- Calls and Tips
- Training (video and in-depth)
- Scouting/Intel
- Building Coalitions
- Iowa MVE Model



IA MVE States



TAT's Mission

Marshal the resources of the trucking and busing industries to combat this crime.





Freedom Driver's Project

Educating audiences all around the country about the realities of domestic sex trafficking and how one industry is really driving change in this area.





2,221+ CALLS MADE TO THE NATIONAL HOTLINE BY TRUCKERS ALONE



INVOLVING

1,123 TRAFFICKING VICTIMS





622,050+) TAT TRAINED PERSONS

Clearly this partnership with TAT and Polaris is working well, and it is showing the critical role that truckers play. - Bradley Myles, CEO, Polaris

Making an Impact

Kevin Kimmel



Get involved

Make human trafficking a priority Provide human trafficking training for LE Adopt the IA MVE model





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