

## WHAT CAN YOU DO TO STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

**Become Informed** | Read, attend a trafficking presentation, visit trafficking websites.

**Become a Member** | Watertown Initiative to Prevent Sex Trafficking Coalition

**Report Suspected Sex Trafficking** | Call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1.888.3737.888.

**Advocate** | Support legislation to prevent human trafficking in South Dakota.

**Pray** | For an end to human trafficking.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT THE FOLLOWING:

ecpatusa.org  
endslaverynow.org  
humantraffickingsearch.org  
northstarinitiative.org  
polarisproject.org  
sharedhope.org  
sistersagainstrafficking.org  
state.gov/j/tip  
stopenslavement.org  
traffickingresourcecenter.org  
usccb.org  
walkfree.org  
truckersagainstrafficking.org  
endsexualexploitation.org  
dhs.gov/blue-campaign

fairtradeamerica.org  
slaveryfootprint.org  
betterworldshopper.org  
sudara.org  
productsofslavery.org  
acf.hhs.gov/otip  
wearthorn.org  
stopthetraffik.org  
ilo.org  
unodc.org  
calltofreedom.org

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# HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACTS AND REALITIES



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## WHAT IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

Trafficking is the *illegal trade* of *human beings*, primarily for the purpose of commercial *sexual exploitation* or *forced labor*.

### IT IS HUMAN SLAVERY.

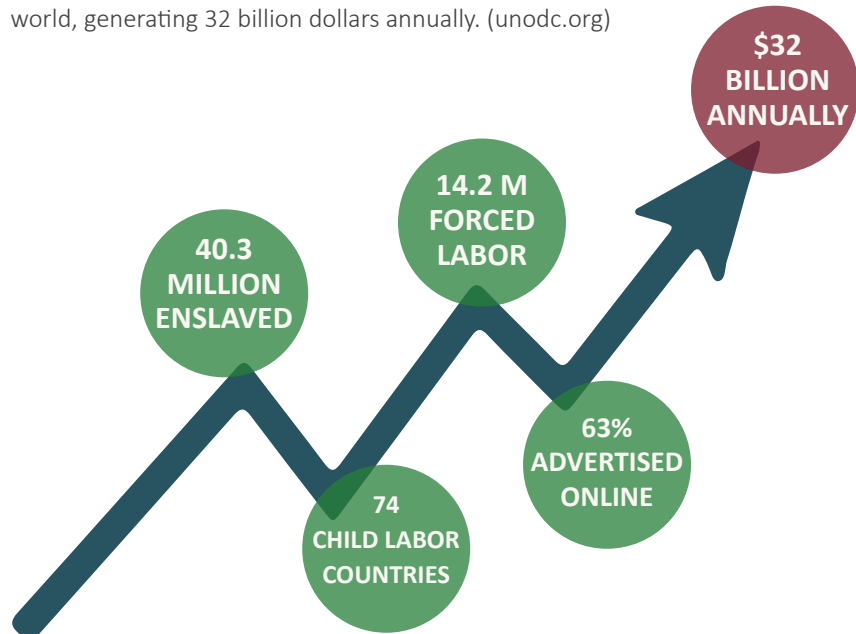
Trafficking is to be *taken* against a person's will, *bought, sold* and *enslaved* "for sexual exploitation, forced begging, sacrificial worship or removal of human organs, as child brides or into sweat shops, circuses, farm labor and domestic servitude." (stophetraffik.org)

It is estimated that *40.3 million people are enslaved worldwide* today, with 4.8 million estimated victims of forced sexual exploitation. (ilo.org)

Globally, there are an estimated *14.2 million people* trapped in *forced labor* in industries including agriculture, construction, domestic work and manufacturing. 136 goods from *74 countries* are made by *forced and child labor*. (polarisproject.org)

63% of *underage* sex trafficking survivors had been *advertised online*. There are 150,000 new escort ads posted online every day. (wearethorn.org)

Trafficking is among the *largest* and *fastest* growing criminal enterprises in the world, generating 32 billion dollars annually. (unodc.org)



## HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN SOUTH DAKOTA

The reality of trafficking in South Dakota is undeniable; victims are trafficked in cities and rural communities, at casinos, truck stops and over the internet.

Interstate 90 is known as the "*Midwest Pipeline*," a super-highway used to deliver trafficking victims to cities across the country. (Kristi Noem, Weekly Column: When Modern Day Slavery Hits Home)

Sex trafficking is especially egregious during the annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally, pheasant hunting season and on Native American reservations- Native women and children are at higher risk than any other racial group. (SDPB Radio, "Sex Trafficking in SD: A University Perspective")

## RECOGNIZE THE SIGNS

- X Malnourishment, Nervousness, Signs of Fatigue and Bruises
- X Young Girl with 'Older Boyfriend'
- X Inappropriate, Sexualized Clothing
- X Scarring, Cigarette Burns, New or Unusual Tattoos/Branding
- X Depression, Fearfulness
- X Evidence of Being Controlled
- X If a minor- Change in Personality, Studies, Habits and Friends