

SEX TRAFFICKING PROTOCOL

609.322 SOLICITATION, INDUCEMENT, AND PROMOTION OF PROSTITUTION; SEX TRAFFICKING.

SEX TRAFFICKING - receiving, recruiting, enticing, harboring, providing, or obtaining by any means an individual to aid in the prostitution of the individual; or receiving profit or anything of value, knowing or having reason to know it is derived from an act of sex trafficking.



VICTIM RESOURCES

Safe Harbor Minnesota connects trafficking victims with support services available across Minnesota. Get information online or call **1-866-223-1111**.

For youth under age 24, call the **West Metro Regional Navigator** at **612-232-5428**.

The **National Human Trafficking Resource Center** provides a map-based list of victim resources closest to you. Get information by calling **1-888-373-7888**.

SPOTTING THE SIGNS

- Does the individual avoid eye contact?
- Are they wearing new clothing or clothing that seems inappropriate for the weather?
- Do they look uneasy, anxious, or hostile while talking to you?
- Do they have any traffickers tattoo insignias visible (\$, crowns, names of pimps or initials, "Daddy")?
- Do they appear harmed or abused?
- Are they with an over controlling or abusive "Daddy"/"Boyfriend" or an older male or female "wifey"?
- Do their answers seem coached or rehearsed?
- Do they talk about excessive traveling or moving around?

PATROL OFFICER RESPONSE

- If a victim/survivor is identified, first separate victim from all others on scene.
- Establish safety and wellbeing of victim, assure that essential needs are met such as medical attention, basic food, water, clothing etc,
- Offer victims up to the age of 24 the opportunity to speak with a Safe Harbor Victim Service Advocate through West Metro Regional Navigator **612-232-5428**
- For minors, consider MCRC or Masonic for a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE)
- Mandated cross report to Child Protection Intake for minors **612-348-3552**
- If enough probable cause, seize and secure electronic devices.
- Contact the BCA at **651-793-7000** for assistance with a human trafficking investigation in your jurisdiction.
 - Ask for a Human Trafficking Agent
- The Link Youth Connection Center provides a space to bring juveniles. **612-673-5465**
 - 505 4th Ave S. Minneapolis Room 190
 - <https://thelinkmn.org/programs/juvenile-justice-division/youth-connection-center/>