



WHO ARE HUMAN TRAFFICKERS?

Traffickers can be:

- male or female
- US citizens or foreign nationals
- family members, intimate partners, friends
- strangers
- individual pimps
- gangs or cartels
- business owners

Traffickers prey on people who are:

- vulnerable in some way
- isolated, marginalized, lonely
- hoping for a better life, a loving relationship or employment
- from an unstable home
- mentally ill, disabled, or battling addiction

Traffickers promise:

- a high-paying job
- a loving relationship
- new and exciting opportunities
- to meet the needs of victims



Traffickers will:

- Use force, fraud or coercion to recruit, groom and exploit victims
- Promise things that seem too good to be true
- Take time to learn about a victim's needs/hopes/dreams and then offer to fulfill them
- Isolate victims from friends/family/community
- Control victims by:
 - withholding money & personal documents
 - monitoring whereabouts
- Speak or translate for the victim
- Encourage inappropriate sexual behavior
- Befriend children online through social media, gaming systems or apps that offer private communication

**SEE SOMETHING,
SAY SOMETHING**

**If imminent threat or a child is involved, call 911.
To report a tip or get help, call 1-888-373-7888.**

