

5 Things to Know About Human Trafficking

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To learn more about Human Trafficking and identifying the signs, please visit the SC Human Trafficking Task Force Website: www.scag.gov/human-trafficking.

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South Carolina Coalition Against
Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault: 803.256.2900

www.sccadvasa.org

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What is Human Trafficking?



Human trafficking of adults is defined as a crime using FORCE, FRAUD or COERCION to induce another person to provide a service (sex, labor) in exchange for something of value.¹

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Traffickers Profit from this Crime.

Human trafficking is estimated to bring in over \$150 billion annually and is a crime that is committed all over the world, including in South Carolina.²

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Most Victims Know Their Trafficker.

In South Carolina, the most common relationships between trafficker and victim are employer/employee and family members or intimate partners. Most victims are groomed by their trafficker to establish trust before the exploitation begins.³

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Human Trafficking Occurs Everywhere.

Human trafficking occurs everywhere, and sometimes right in front of us. Knowing the signs and raising awareness is the best way to prevent this crime from happening in our communities. Learn how to identify the signs by visiting the Tools and Resources page at www.scag.gov/human-trafficking.

1. [Polaris Project](#)

2. [Forbes, "Cracking the \\$150 Billion Business of Human Trafficking" \(February 2, 2020\)](#)

3. [Office of the South Carolina Attorney General, Human Trafficking Task Force, "2020 Annual Report" \(January 2021\)](#)