

OUT OF THE SHADOWS EXPOSING THE MYTHS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

HUMAN
TRAFFICKING:
LOOK
BENEATH
THE SURFACE

MYTH HUMAN TRAFFICKING
IS ONLY SEX
TRAFFICKING

TRUTH **OF THE 20.9** MILLION VICTIMS
OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING GLOBALLY

- 68% FORCED LABOR
- 22% SEXUALLY EXPLOITED
- 10% STATE-IMPOSED FORCED LABOR

MYTH HUMAN TRAFFICKING
VICTIMS WILL
SELF
IDENTIFY

TRUTH **50%** OF VICTIMS HAD CONTACT
WITH A HEALTH CARE
PROFESSIONAL

NONE
WERE IDENTIFIED AS A VICTIM.

MYTH HUMAN TRAFFICKING
IS NOT IN MY
COMMUNITY

TRUTH **30,000+** CASES OF POTENTIAL HUMAN
TRAFFICKING REPORTED
IN ALL 50 STATES,
DC & US TERRITORIES

MYTH HUMAN TRAFFICKING
ONLY AFFECTS
THE VICTIM

TRUTH THE CRIME OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS A
SYMPTOM OF A SOCIETAL PROBLEM

HOW TO HELP

- KNOW WHERE YOUR GOODS & SERVICES COME FROM
- OFFER OPPORTUNITIES FOR AT-RISK INDIVIDUALS
- REPORT IT: CALL THE NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE

MYTH HUMAN TRAFFICKING
ONLY HAPPENS
TO CHILDREN

TRUTH SINCE 2012,
NATIONAL HOTLINE
CASES REPORTED:

62% ADULTS

MYTH HUMAN TRAFFICKING
ONLY HAPPENS
TO WOMEN

TRUTH SINCE 2012,
NATIONAL HOTLINE
CASES REPORTED:

18% MEN

**Human Trafficking is a crime and
you can make a difference.**

Since 2007, the National Human Trafficking Hotline has received over 168,554 calls and identified over 26,243 potential cases of human trafficking.

You can receive help, report a tip, or request information or training by calling:

National Human Trafficking Hotline

888-373-7888

acf.hhs.gov/endtrafficking

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