



TAMPA BAY

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING
TASK FORCE**



What is Human Trafficking?

- Florida State Statute 787.06- Human Trafficking
- “Human trafficking” means transporting, soliciting, recruiting, harboring, providing, enticing, maintaining, or obtaining another person for the purpose of exploitation of that person.
- The Legislature finds that human trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery. Victims of human trafficking are young children, teenagers, and adults.
- The Legislature finds that victims of human trafficking are subjected to force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of sexual exploitation or forced labor.
 - Force, fraud, or coercion not needed for a juvenile case*

The Tampa Bay Human Trafficking Task Force

January 2020 through September 2020

- Sex trafficking
 - Member agencies opened 107 new investigations
 - Member agencies reported 34 resulting arrests from investigations.
 - Member agencies reported 79 potential victims involved in investigations with 10 of the victims identified as 17 years of age or younger.
- Labor Trafficking
 - Member agencies opened 7 new investigations and identified 15 potential victims.



tip 411



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

2-1-1
Information and Referrals 2-1-1

CHILD PROTECTION
..... 1-800-962-2873

COUNSELING (FREE)
Heels to Heal 727-895-5885

INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION:
Clerk of the Court 727-464-7000

FREE LEGAL AID:
FCASV 1-850-297-2000
Gulfcoast Legal Services 727-821-0726

SEXUAL ASSAULT CENTER:
Suncoast Center Inc 727-821-0726

SHELTERS
Created 813-379-2975
Family Resources (teens) 727-521-5200
FL Dream Center (minor boys) 727-851-9074
Healing Root Ministry 813-949-7495
Salvation Army (Tampa) 813-549-0641
Selah Freedom 1-888-837-3363

VICTIM ASSISTANCE (SPPD):
..... 727-892-5280
..... 727-892-5128

VICTIM COMPENSATION:
..... 800-226-6667



SHARE INFORMATION ANONYMOUSLY

Send anonymous tips directly to
the Tampa Bay Human Trafficking
Taskforce using tip411:



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*Human
Trafficking is
Modern Day
Slavery*

Help Is Available
National Human Trafficking
Hotline:
1-888-373-7888

Non-Government Organizations (NGO)

- Community partners are pivotal to the success of law enforcement's proactive action against human trafficking
- NGO's directly partner with law enforcement to provide immediate, on scene services for victim's of human trafficking
- NGO's often times provide wrap around care for the victim, to include:
 - Trauma informed counseling
 - Case management
 - Shelter/housing needs
 - Vocational/Skill training
 - Medical/Dental needs
 - Legal assistance and guidance

TRANSPORTATION TRAINING



Human Trafficking Resources

- Polaris Project includes numerous training resources, statistics, and operates the national human trafficking tip line
 - National HT Tip Line, Call 1-888-373-7888
 - For victims of Human Trafficking, Call 1-888-373-7888 or text “BeFree” (233722)
 - <https://polarisproject.org/>
- The Blue Campaign, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, provides training and resource material
 - <https://www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign>

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