



# Anoka County Sheriff's Office



## COMBATING HUMAN TRAFFICKING

### IDENTIFY AT RISK POPULATION

- Habitual runaways
- Sexual abuse victims
- Family problems
- Drug or alcohol problems
- Special education/low functioning

### M.S.S. 626.556.2(d) STATES

- Sexual abuse also includes any act which involves a minor which constitutes a violation of prostitution offenses under sections 609.321 to 609.324 or 617.246
- All mandated reporters **must report** sexually exploited youth to Child Protection or Law Enforcement

### SIGNS SOMEONE IS BEING TRAFFICKED

- New clothing, nails, and hair done (out of the ordinary)
- Dressing and acting
- Frequently on run from home
- Has a new older boyfriend/girlfriend/associate
- Evidence of physical assaults/bruises/being controlled
- New fear, depression, or other mental health problems

### WHEN A VICTIM MAKES A DISCLOSURE

- Offer support and service to victim
- Offer to contact the Alexandra House Youth Advocate
- Offer to contact other NGO's such as Breaking Free
- Contact Child Protection or ACSO-CID
- Tell victim that a Detective will be speaking with them about the information that they disclosed

### QUESTIONS TO ASK

- Who is your new boyfriend/girlfriend/associate?
- Where do you go after school/weekends?
- Where did you go last time you ran away?
- Who were you with when you ran away?
- How did you survive/get money/get food when you were on the run?
- Has anyone pressured you to do any sexual acts against your will?
- Has anyone given you anything (including food or a place to stay) to get you to perform a sexual act?
- Has anyone ever taken photos of you while nude/partially nude/or wearing lingerie? Who took them? What did they do with them?
- Has anyone ever put pictures of you on any websites?
- Has anyone whom you met online paid you for a sexual act?

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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**Anoka County Dispatch : 763-427-1212 or 911**

**National Human Trafficking Hotline:  
1-888-373-7888**

**Alexandra House: 763-280-2330**

**East Metro Regional Navigator: 651-220-6750**