## A Multidisciplinary Approach to Sex Trafficking

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### To Begin...

- 1. Learn more about the topic
  - Center for Court Innovation's "Responding to Sex Trafficking in Your Jurisdiction: A Planning Toolkit"

http://www.courtinnovation.org/sites/default/files/documents/RespondingtoSexTrafficking.pdf.pdf

2. Start the conversation



## Start the Conversation: Convene Stakeholders

- Judiciary
- Court administration
- Law enforcement
- Social ServiceProviders
- State's Attorney
- IT/Data

- Public Defender
- Probation/CourtServices
- Child AdvocacyCenters
- DCFS
- GALs

#### Community

- Educators
- Medical (ER Staff,
   Forensic Nurses,
   Mental Health &
   Substance Abuse)
- Hospitality

   (Restaurants,
   Hotels, Local
   Businesses
- Faith BasedOrganizations



### Convene Stakeholders

- Pre-Meetings with Key Stakeholders
- Launch in January, 2016
  - Presentation led by Stacy Sloan, DCFS, entitled "Human Trafficking and Child Welfare"
  - Discussion: What are we seeing in our community?
  - Group identified 4 key topics to address
    - Education & Training
    - Mentoring
    - Intervention
    - Prevention

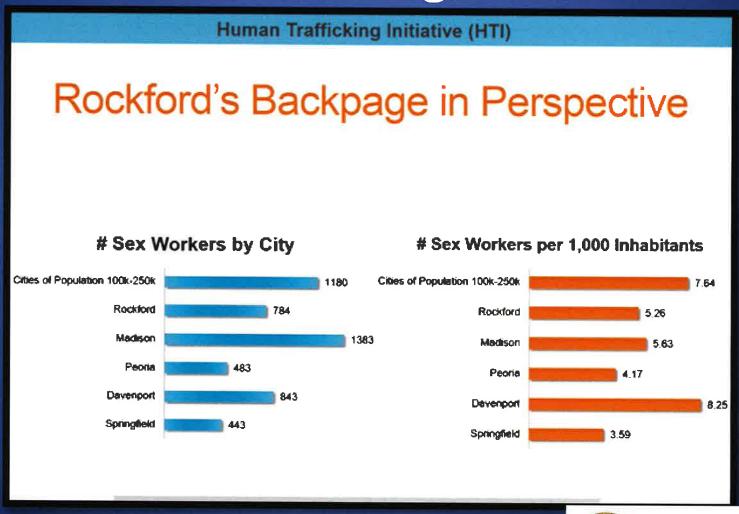


## Convene Stakeholders: Data/Insight About Our Area

#### Meeting #2:

- Video- OVC's (Office for Victims of Crime)
   Faces of Human Trafficking Series- "A
   Multidisciplinary Approach"
- Data from Creighton University's Human Trafficking Initiative





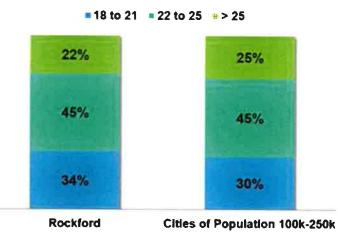


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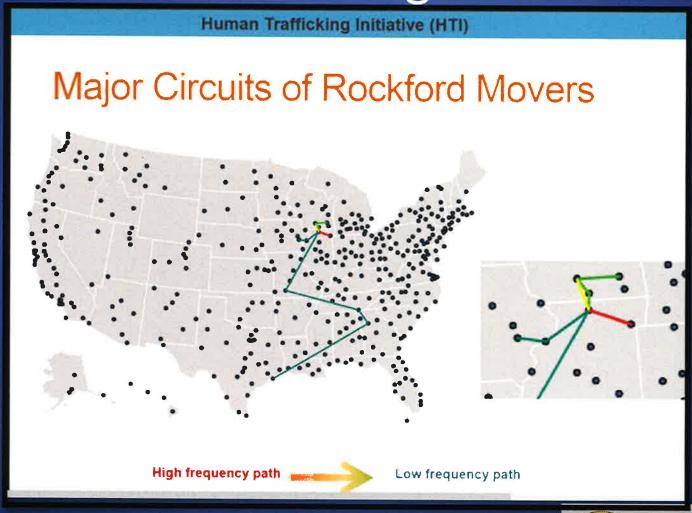
#### Rockford's Young Commercial Sex Market

- 34% under the age of 21
  - 51 girls in Rockford are advertised as 18-19 years of age
  - 212 are advertised as
     20-21 years of age
- Only 22% are over the age of 25











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#### Rockford Examples

#### Stable of 2 whites

- Advertise only on Rockford's Backpage
- Appears to be a mother/daughter stable
  - Older woman advertised at 42 years old
  - Younger girl appears underage and is advertised at 20 years old
- It is likely that the older woman is pimping her daughter

#### Stable of 3 African Americans

- Advertise only on Rockford's Backpage
- Advertised at 18-21 years of age
- Likely pimp-controlled
- Advertise 2 girl specials
  - Common tactic to hide and train young, newly-recruited sex workers



## Convene Stakeholders: Homework

- "Homework"- what the organization's role is or could be in a multidisciplinary approach to sex trafficking in the Rockford Region
- 2. Identify who is likely to come into contact with individuals
- 3. Identify what services survivors will need (immediate, short and long-term)

Hammond & McGlone, "Entry, Progression, Exit, and Service Provision for the Survivors of Sex Trafficking: Implications for Effective Intervention," <u>Global Social Welfare</u> (2014).

4. Where are gaps in services?



## At the Meeting: Inventory Resources

- Video OVC's "Effective Victim Services"
- Group identified possible service needs for survivors (immediate, short and long-term)
- Service mapping: Each organization identified what their role is or could be in a multidisciplinary approach to sex trafficking



## Identify Cases: Education & Training Work Group

"Create points of recognition of the issue at all points, from the street to the courtroom."

#### Meeting #1:

- Video- Braking Traffick's "Any Kid Anywhere" trailer
- Discuss screening or assessment tools utilized by each agency
- Identification of individuals or groups who may encounter/identify trafficked individuals

#### Meeting #2:

- Video- OVC's An Introduction to Sex Trafficking
- Discuss "screening" vs. "assessment"
- Exchange screening and assessments
  - High Risk HT Victim Trafficking Tool
  - Human Trafficking Screening Tool (HTST)
  - Sex-Trafficking Assessment Review (STAR)
  - New York Rapid Indicator Tool
  - Ohio Human Trafficking Screening Tool



## Pocket Card Created by Education & Training Work Group

If you suspect sex trafficking of a child, a report must be made at: 1-800-252-2873 (DCFS Hotline)

### Interviews should <u>not</u> be conducted in the presence of other subjects

What brings you here? [Inability to explain why here]
Where are you staying? [Runaway/Homeless]
Who are you staying with? [Inability to explain relationships]
Where do you work? [Inability to explain how supporting self
or unexplained money]

Where are your parents (or guardian)? [Family not present]

□ → Scripted Answers
 □ → Does not possess own ID or cell phone, or has multiple
 □ → Limited eye contact
 □ → Appears to be afraid
 □ → Various hotel keys/ receipts from other states
 □ → Signs of physical abuse
 □ → Uses terms of the trade, like daddy, track, blade, date
 □ → Tattoos or "brands"
 □ → Homelessness
 □ → Outward signs of drug addiction
 □ → Under 18 (current or past DCFS placement; runaway 3+; unexplained truancies)
 □ → Has a significantly older "boyfriend" or "girlfriend"
 Nat'l Trafficking Resource Center: (888) 373-7888



## Learn About Other Approaches

- Problem Solving Court models
- Specialized Court Dockets
- John's Courts
- Common Principles of California's specialized courts for CSEC population:
  - 1. Training and capacity building
  - 2. Use of multi-system approach and cross-system coordination
  - 3. Screening and assessment
  - 4. Trauma-informed programming
  - 5. Meaningful engagement and relationship development
  - 6. Creation of specialized services and treatment options

Liles et al., "A California Multidisciplinary Juvenile Court: Serving Sexually Exploited and At-Risk Youth", <u>Behav. Sci. Law 34</u>: 234-245 (2016).

## Our Next Steps

Continue to address 4 topics identified by our multidisciplinary group:

- Education & Training
- Mentoring
- Intervention
- Prevention



## Rockford's Approach

- Small steps
  - 1. Invite others to the table
  - 2. Learn about the topic together
  - 3. Identify who is likely to come into contact with individuals
  - Identify what services survivors will need (immediate, short and long-term)
  - 5. Where are gaps in services?
  - 6. Screening Tools?
  - 7. Prioritize education needed
  - 8. What are other jurisdictions doing to address this?
  - 9. "Test" current procedures



### 18th Judicial Circuit

# Creighton University Human Trafficking Initiative

HTI is funded by a grant from The Sherwood Foundation provided through the Women's Fund of Omaha. The grant funds the research of HTI in the Heider College of Business at Creighton University. HTI uses data science to collect, analyze, and evaluate the scope of sex trafficking across the United States and to identify effective policy solutions. The research initiative is directed by Crysta N. Price (crystaprice@creighton.edu) and Terry D. Clark (clark@creighton.edu).

## Commercial Sex and Human Trafficking in DuPage County: An Analysis of Backpage Advertising

Creighton University
Human Trafficking Initiative

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### The Human Trafficking Initiative (HTI)

**Data Science Lab, Creighton University** 

Use data science to collect, analyze, and evaluate the scope of sex trafficking in the US and to identify effective policy solutions

- Model incentives in commercial sex & trafficking industry
- Develop a centralized database
- Analyze data
- Find solutions (policy recommendations)

## Solving the Data Problem

- 1. Collect/ scrape data on the commercial sex market
- 2. Build algorithms to generate characteristics about the market
- 3. Predict trafficking victims
- 4. Identify known victims to train prediction algorithms

## Trafficking & Backpage

#### Market hub

 80% of online commercial sex advertising

#### **Child sex trafficking**

 Backpage turns over 400 potential minors monthly ONLY AVAILABLE FOR HEAD Hello Guys, I'm SAMMI Sweet, Young, & Submissive My goal is

#### Exxxtra small exxxtra tight xxxx - 18

Posted: Friday, June 24, 2016 4:59 PM

Want a good time with a tiny baby let me know!! Fetish welcomed anael.

orrrallwelcomed. Tired of these girls being expensive? I will do reasonable prices

Just tumed 18 yesterday Get you a new tight one Let me do the things

## Illinois in a Regional Context

Illinois averages around 6,800 unique individuals posted for the sale of sex in a 30-day period.



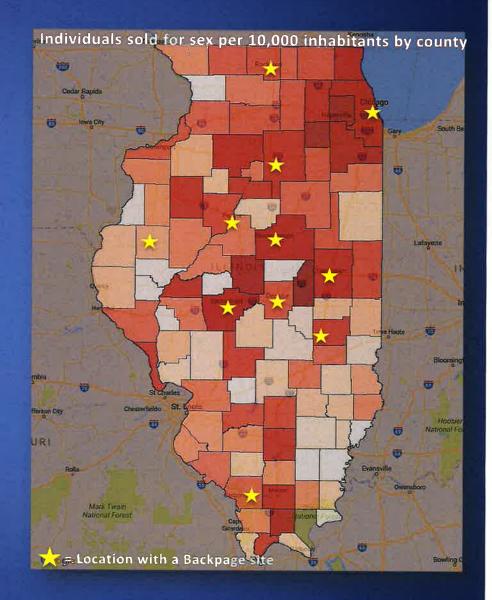
# of Sex Workers per 100,000 Inhabitants by

## DuPage County in a Statewide Context

- 1. Cook\* (25%)
- 2. DuPage (15%)
- 3. Will (9%)
- 4. Lake (7%)
- 5. Kendall (5%)
- 6. Kane (4%)
  - \*Counties containing a Backpage site

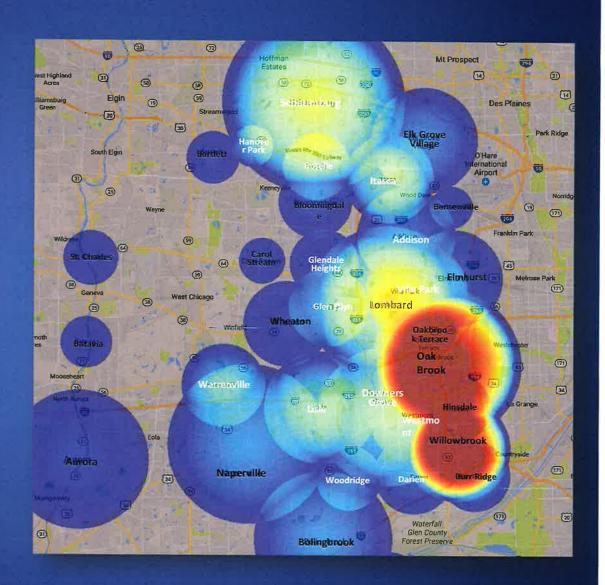


- 8. Mclean\* (3%)
- 9. Champaign\* (3%)
- 10. La Salle\* (2%)



## **2,250** individuals are sold for sex each month across 38 towns in DuPage County

- Schaumburg (22%)
- Naperville (12%)
- Lombard (10%)
- Oakbrook (9%)
- Downers Grove (6%)
- Aurora (6%)
- Bolingbrook (6%)
- Lisle (3%)
- Willowbrook (2%)
- Elk Grove Village (2%)



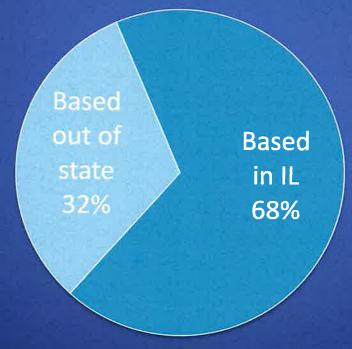
### DuPage County: An Interconnected Market

**58%** are sold in multiple Backpage markets

**55%** cross state lines in order to be sold for sex



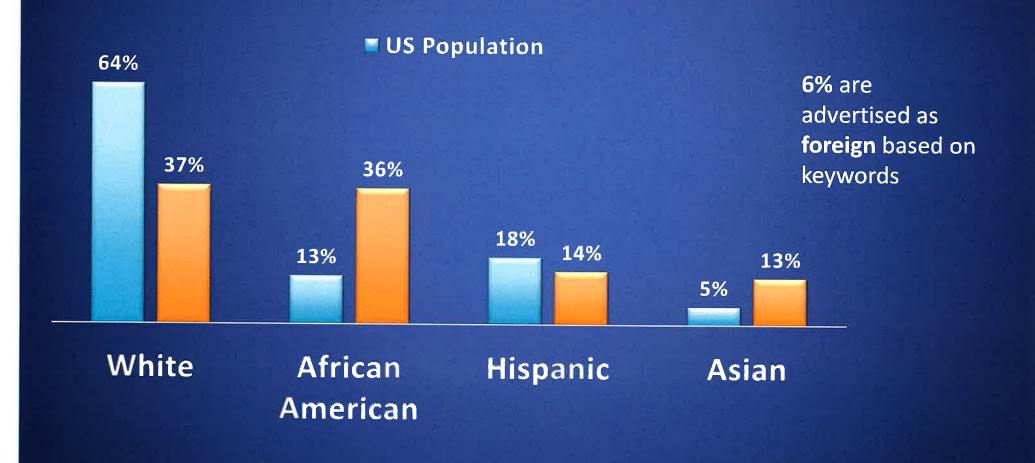
- 1. Milwaukee
- 2. Atlanta
- 3. San Diego
- 4. Las Vegas
- 5. Oakland
- 6. Washington DC



#### **Traveling to...**

- 1. Milwaukee
- 2. Las Vegas
- 3. Boston
- 4. Minneapolis
- 5. Newark
- 6. Ft. Lauderdale

## A Racially Imbalanced Market



## The Demand for Young

#### 16% advertised under the age of 21

This means that 1 out of every 6 sex workers in DuPage County is too young to buy alcohol, but old enough for johns to purchase them for sex.

## 23% advertised as very young based on keywords

- "just turned 18"
- "fresh meat"
- "virgin"

#### Puerto Rican Brazilain mixed beauty № 6 - 18 Posted: Monday September 19, 2016 10:59 PM

Hello my name is Jordan I'm a very open minded person that aims to please & a 36 D with a very nice back side I'm am also expecting Im 3 months With a small baby lump full nude rub down I'm new and am seeking older mature respectable men give this mixed beauty a call And be my very first client- NO young men under 35 NO negotiations NO NO cheap men NO NO black men NO call ONLY to book an appointment with me Thank you (312)841-6043 \$250 half hr \$450 full hr OUTCALLS ONLY!

Poster's age: 18

- · Location: Chicago, Naperville, Tinley Park, Orland park, Northwest Suburbs
- Post ID: 40506362 chicago



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#### Gorgeous and Brazilian just turned 18 (Griffith Indiana, Northwest Indi

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Hello gentlemen my name is Jordan beautiful mixed Puerto Rican/Brazilain E⊠ I'm expecting I'm 6 months certified for massages call me now and be my very first client ⊕ ★ if you're interested NO young men under 35 ♥ NO cheap men ♥ NO negotiations ♥ NO Black men ♥ Call ONLY to book an appointment OUTCALLS only!!

+1(312)841-6043 TEXT ONLY! UPSCALE men only Thank you \$ \$150 half hr \$250full hr

Poster's age: 18

- · Location: South Bend
- Post ID: 18917327 southbend



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## Creating the Trafficking Environment

Premiums for youth & "fresh faces" create incentive for traffickers to recruit new, younger girls.

The longer an individual is in the industry, the cheaper she becomes







### **Predicting Trafficking Victims**

#### **No Risk**

No identifiable indicators

#### **Low Risk**

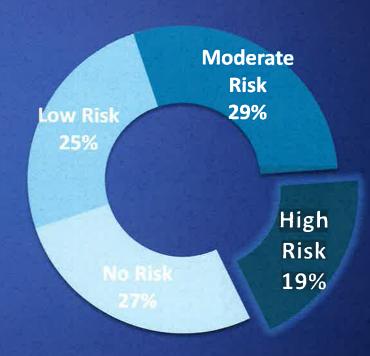
Some partial indicators

#### **Moderate Risk**

- Some indicators
- Need more information

#### **High Risk**

- Multiple indicators
- Law enforcement leads



**Leads on Potential Victims** 

## **EXAMPLES OF HIGH RISK SEX**WORKERS

### Diosa

- 2-girl specials with "Strawberry"
- Now posting under Chicago -> Dating
   -> women seeking men

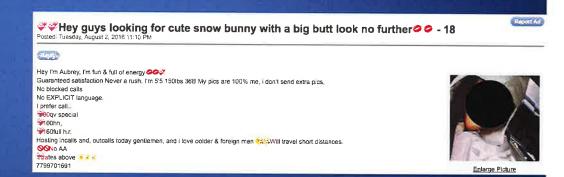




## Aubrey

- Advertised as young
  - "New to town... young and willing to please"
  - Advertised as 18 yearsold
- Ads mention Elk Grove & surrounding areas as well as the northwest suburbs





## Missy

- Shares phone number with at least 10 other individuals, ages 18-26.
  - "Very young"
  - "I just started community college & need extra tuition \$\$\$"

#### Location

- Ads mention Schaumburg/Northwest suburbs
- In-calls only in Bella One Spa (25W319 Lake St Roselle, IL 60172)
- Johns have reviewed this phone number in The Exotic Review and verified that the location is a commercial sex parlor



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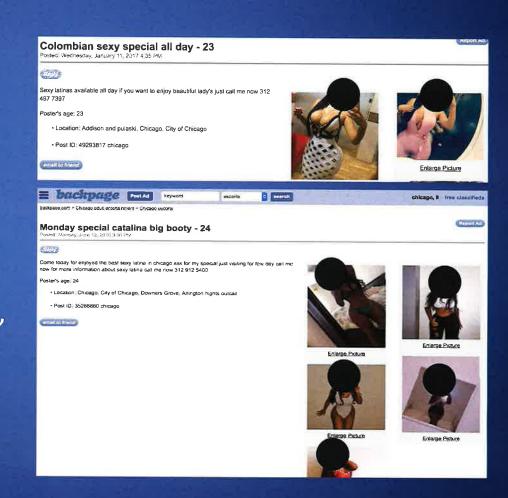


#### general details

Buyer Beware! Got to the place and it was a parlor. Dallas came to the front and told me to pay upfront to go back to the room. Once back there she teased while asking for more money. Wasn't thinking with the big head....ended up leaving unsatisfied. Non-vip members, avoid at all costs.

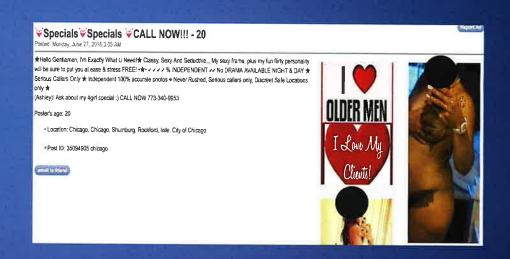
### "Latinas"

- Ads mention Downers Grove
- Advertised as 21-24 years old
- Foreign
  - Women claim to be from Brazil, Colombia, Mexico, and Puerto Rico among others
  - "sexy latinas available all day"
  - "We have Beautiful Young Latinas available ready for you"



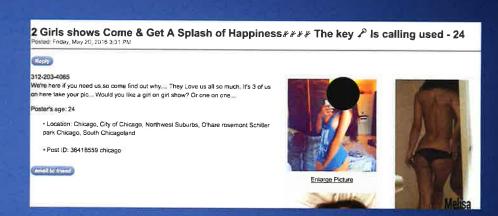
## Ashley

- Advertised as 20 years old
  - Images suggest she is younger
- Ads mention
   Schaumburg/Lisle/
   Naperville/Aurora
- "Ask about my 2 & 4 girl special"
- 5 different girls have advertised with the same phone number



### Genie

- Ads mention Northwest suburbs
- Girls advertised under this phone number claim they're either 18 or 24 years old
- 2-girl and 3-girl specials
  - "It's 3 of us on here take your pick"





#### National Asian out-call service

- Korean and Japanese girls advertised as "young," "cute," "baby"
- Chicago ads mention E. Ogden Avenue in Naperville
- Naperville phone number is also used in Boston and New Hampshire ads
  - "Everyday 2-3 girl... We change new girls every 4 days."







## Apple/Gigi

- Ads mention Elk Grove Village
- Advertised as 20-22 years old
- Advertise frequent turnover
  - "They will stay only for a few days"
  - "New girls every week"



### Kim

- Associated with up to 20 individuals advertised on Backpage
- Advertised in 2-girl specials with "Lisa" in the northwest suburbs
- Advertised in 2-girl specials with "Carrie" in San Diego

#### 2 girls means DOUBLE THE FUN! Get the best friends experience with US! - 21

Posted Sunday, July 3, 2016 11 36 PM

We love to get wild = = ===

you'll be having a blast from the moment we walk in!

\* 2 hot bestfriends? imagine how much fun we love to have together!

2 is better than one. Why not double the fun, DOUBLE the pleasure ;)

we'll be waiting for your call Outcalls only

Kim & Lisa (224) 875-5252

Poster's age: 21

- · Location: Chicago, Northwest Suburbs, Palatine/Hoffman/Schaumburg/elk
- · Post ID: 30329911 chicago





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#### 2 girls means DOUBLE THE FUN! Get the best friends experience with US! 2 HOT **BLONDES!!! OUTCALLS - 23**

we're two best friends looking to have some fun. we love guys who are gentleman !! but we also love to get wild neet us & you'll have a blast from the moment we walk in! 2 hot bestfriends? imagine how much fun we love to have together. is better than one. Why not double the fun, DOUBLE the pleasure;) OR if you want one of us, we are also great to please one on one. just say who you would like

(619)343-2425

- · Location: City of San Diego, San Diego, San Diego OUTCALL
- Post ID: 24392239 sandiego







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### Pricilla

- Advertised as 21 years old and foreign
- Ads mention Bolingbrook/Willowbrook
- 8 different girls have advertised with the same phone number in DuPage County
  - Same ad syntax also used for girls in Chicago and New York



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