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Polaris - Typology and the National Human Trafficking Hotline

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National Human Trafficking Hotline

1-888-373-7888

www.humantraffickinghotline.org



The Problem

Underdeveloped resources



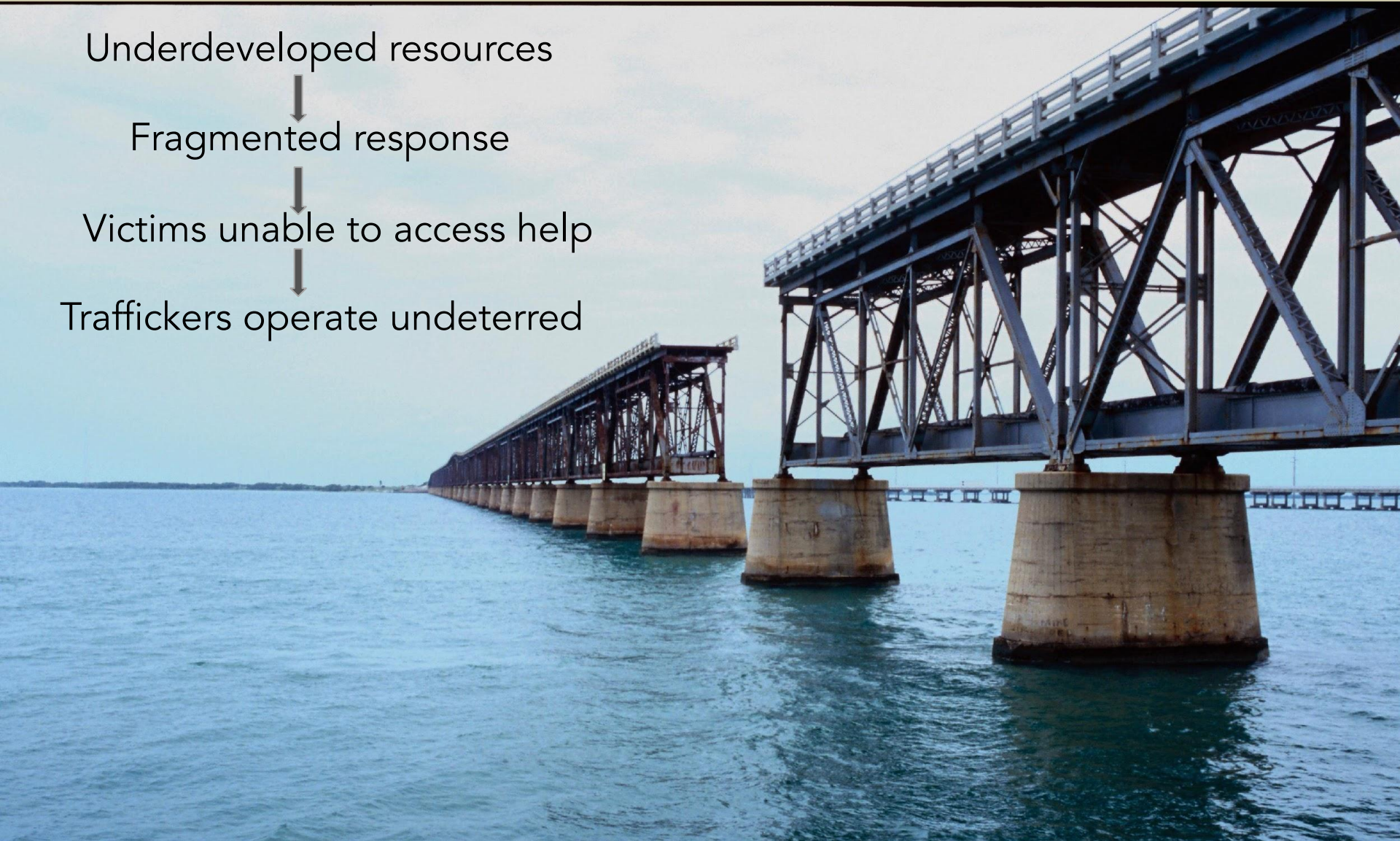
Fragmented response



Victims unable to access help




Traffickers operate undeterred



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ILO: 20.9 million of
victims worldwide



Only 44,462 victims
have been identified



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Human trafficking is a form of modern slavery, and has been considered a federal crime since the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) passed in 2000.



Definition of Human Trafficking

Sex trafficking

The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, obtaining, patronizing, soliciting, or advertising of a person for a commercial sex act, in which a commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such an act has not attained 18 years of age.

Labor trafficking

The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.



A-M-P Model

| Action* | Means** | Purpose |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Recruits Harbors Transports Provides Obtains | Force Physical assault, sexual assault, confinement Fraud False promises about work/living conditions, withholding promised wages Coercion Threats of harm or deportation, debt bondage, psychological manipulation, confiscation of documents | A commercial sex act Labor or services |

**Additional actions that constitute sex trafficking, but not labor trafficking, include patronizes, solicits, and knowingly advertises.*

***Neither force, nor fraud, nor coercion are required to be shown for minors under the age of 18 induced into commercial sex acts.*



Trafficking vs. Smuggling

Smuggling

- A crime against a country's border
- Implies crossing the border illegally
- Generally, solely refers to movement of a person or group of people
- Could be the entry point for a human trafficking situation

Trafficking

- A crime against a person
- Implies forced work or sex with a commercial purpose
- Does not necessarily involve movement from one location to another
- Debt bondage as a result of smuggling can be used as a mean of control



Elements that Make Victims Difficult to Identify

Captivity,
Confinement

Threats of
violence and
revenge
against family

Distrust of law
enforcement

Fear

Strict and
frequent
vigilance

Tricks and
false promises

Language
barriers and
lack of social
and cultural
familiarity

Shame, Guilt

Isolation

Servitude
caused by
debt and
sense of
obligation

No ID of
documents

Desperation
and
resignation



Indicators of Human Trafficking

Labor trafficking

- ☐ Workplace restrictions and abuse
- ☐ Debt bondage
- ☐ Recruitment fraud
- ☐ Document confiscation
- ☐ Lack of payment
- ☐ Monitored movement/communication
- ☐ Physical or sexual abuse

Sex trafficking

- ☐ Controlling/dominating relationships
- ☐ Child under the age of 18 is providing commercial sex acts
- ☐ Engaged in commercial sex under a “manager”
- ☐ Document confiscation
- ☐ Lack of control of personal finances
- ☐ Monitored movement/communication
- ☐ Physical or sexual abuse



Who are the Victims?

Populations affected

Adults or minors, foreign nationals or U.S. citizens, any gender identity

Demographics

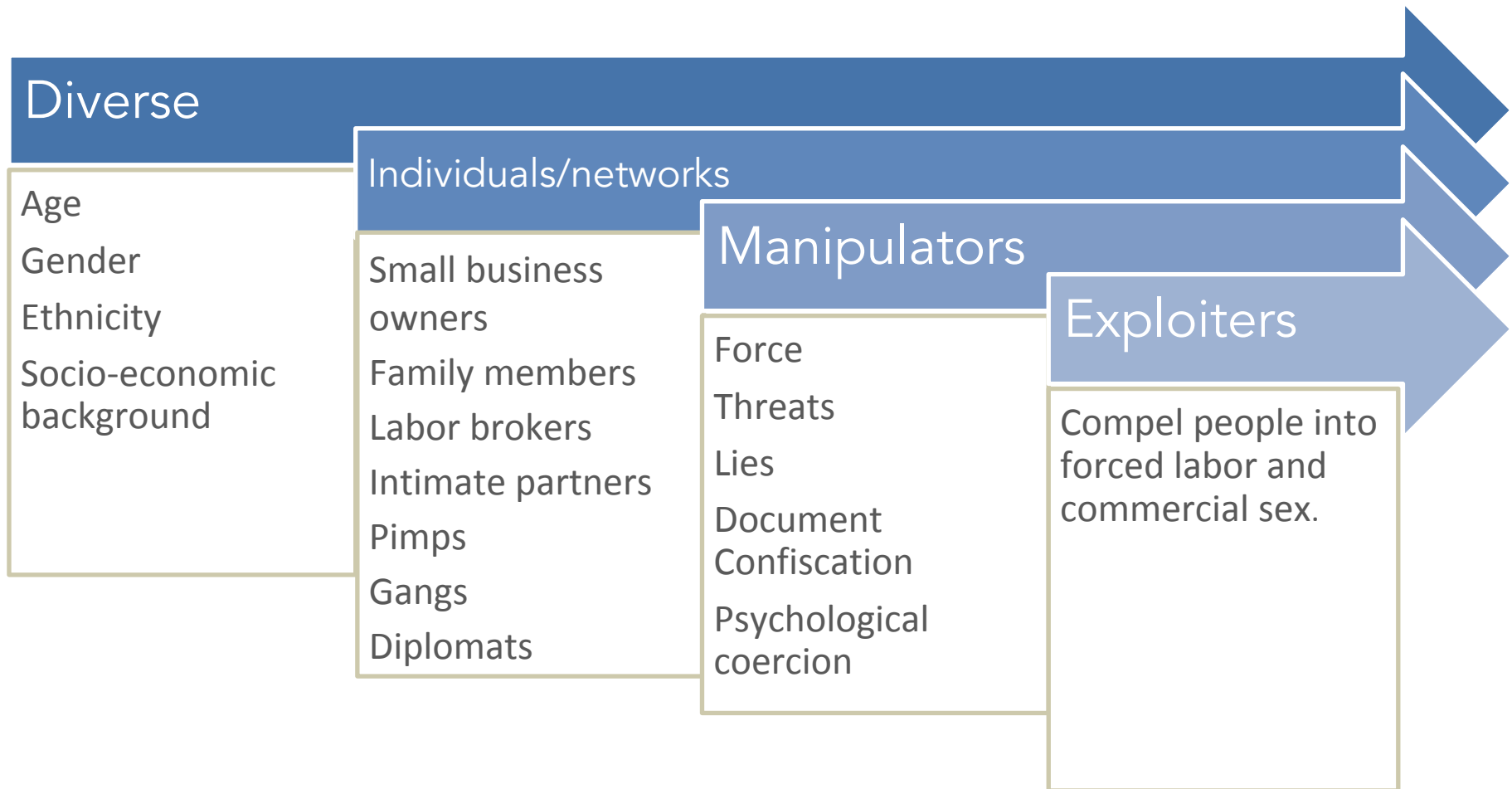
Diverse ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds, varied levels of education, documented or undocumented

Vulnerabilities

Homelessness, prior abuse or violence, temporary status, substance use, poverty



Who are the Traffickers?



Sex Trafficking



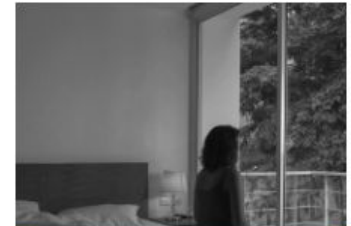
Interactive
Sexual Acts



Illicit Massage
Businesses



Bars, Strip
Clubs, Cantinas



Personal Sexual
Servitude



Escort Services



Outdoor
Solicitation



Pornography



Residential

Labor Trafficking



Forestry



Carnivals



Health Services



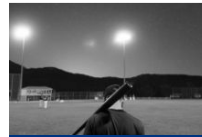
Recreational
Facilities



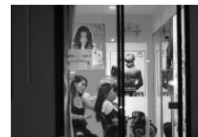
Factories and
Manufacturing



Agriculture



Art &
Entertainment



Beauty & Health



Construction



Landscaping



Peddling and
Begging



Illicit Activities



Commercial
Cleaning Serv.



Hotels and
Motels



Traveling Sales
Crews



Domestic Work



Restaurants



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Our Proposal of Solution

National Human Trafficking Hotline (NHTH)



1-888-373-7888

CONFIDENTIAL | TOLL-FREE | 24/7

OPERATED BY: POLARIS
OWNED BY: HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
(HHS)
FUNDED BY: HHS AND OTHER SUPPORTERS



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How to Contact the NHTH?



CALL

1-888-373-7888



TEXT

"BeFree" (233733)

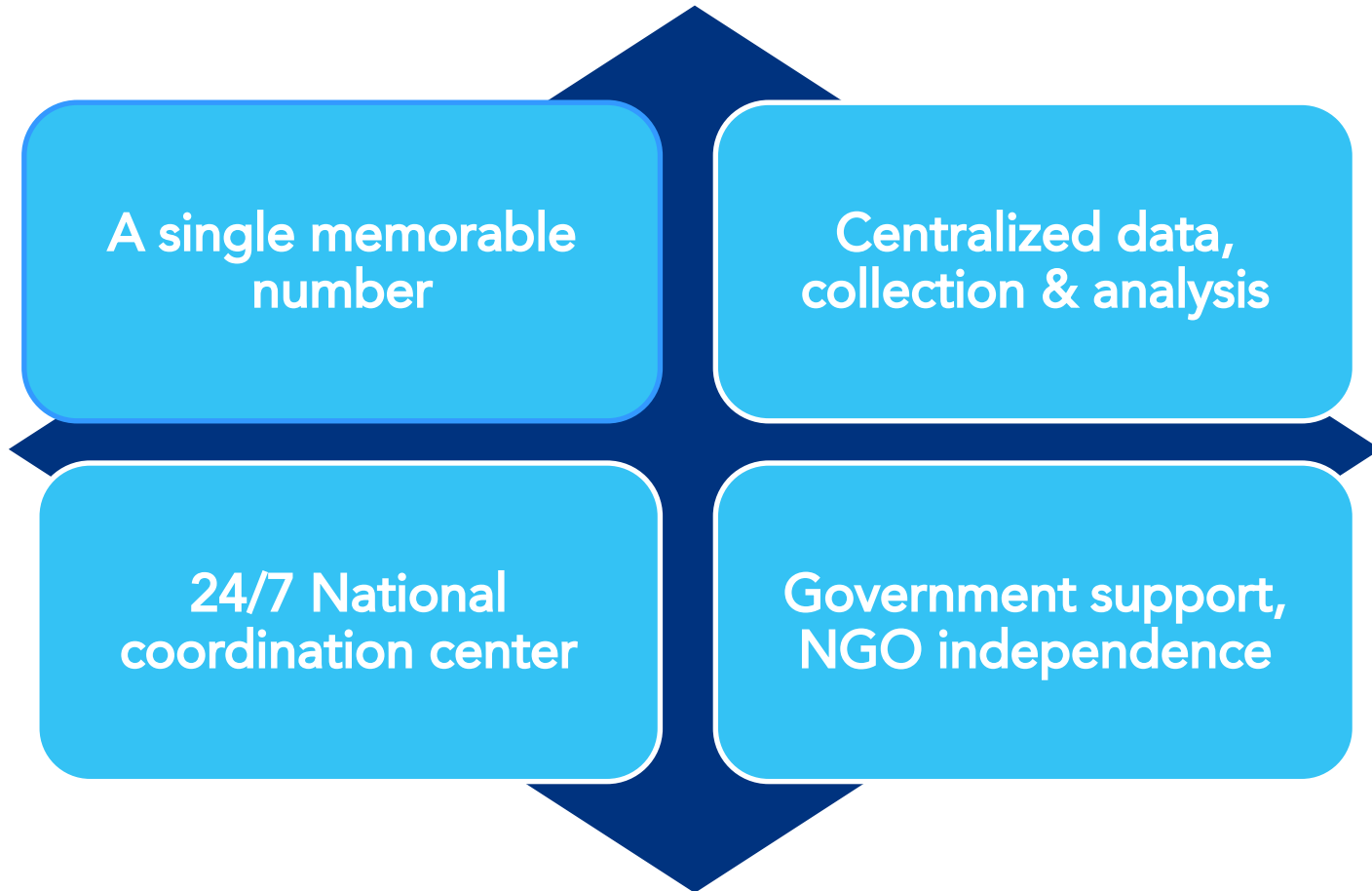


LIVE CHAT

humantraffickinghotline.org

24/7 • Toll free • Confidential • 200+ languages

Why it Works?



Who Can Contact the NHTH?

Anyone seeking assistance, information, training, or resources in the U.S. and U.S. territories:



**Victims and survivors
of human trafficking**



**Friends and
relatives of the
victims**



**Social and legal
service providers**



Law enforcement



**Government
agencies**



**Frontline
professionals**



**Local advocates
and community
members**



Educators

What to Expect on Every Call or Text?



TRIAGE

SAFETY

NEEDS

RESPONSE

FOLLOW-UP

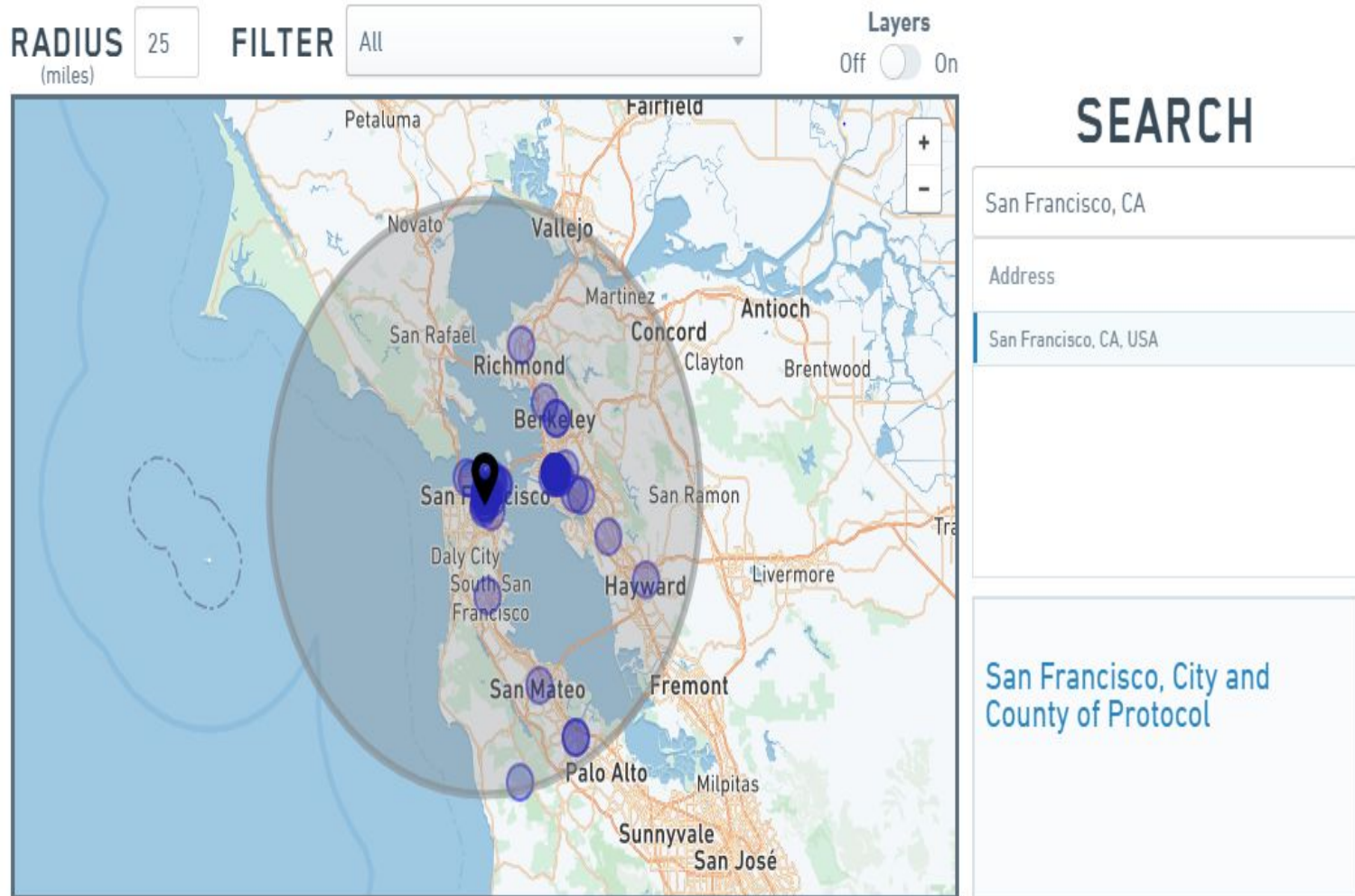
Tips

- **Callers can be anonymous and ask for help on behalf of potential victims.**
 - Information is handled with confidentiality in mind.
 - The Hotline does not report undocumented individuals to law enforcement
- **Hotline Advocates receive specialized training.**
- **If appropriate, the Hotline will contact law enforcement officials trained on human trafficking.**
- **The information received helps identify trends and connect cases.**

Direct Support for Survivors

- The NHTH can offer support during a crisis
- The NHTH connects survivors with resources and critical services
 - Shelter
 - Health and therapy services
 - Legal assistance

A National Look, a “Localized” Response



NHTH – Resource Directory

4 h.e.r. North Dakota

Hotline:(701) 339-7040

Phone: (406) 844-0377

A Safe Place

Hotline:(603) 436-7924

Phone: (603) 436-4619

A Safe Place To Go

Hotline:(855) 723-7529

Phone: (855) 723-7529

Abuse Counseling and Treatment, Inc.

Hotline:(239) 939-3112

Phone: (239) 939-2553

ACH Child and Family Services

Hotline:(817) 335-4673

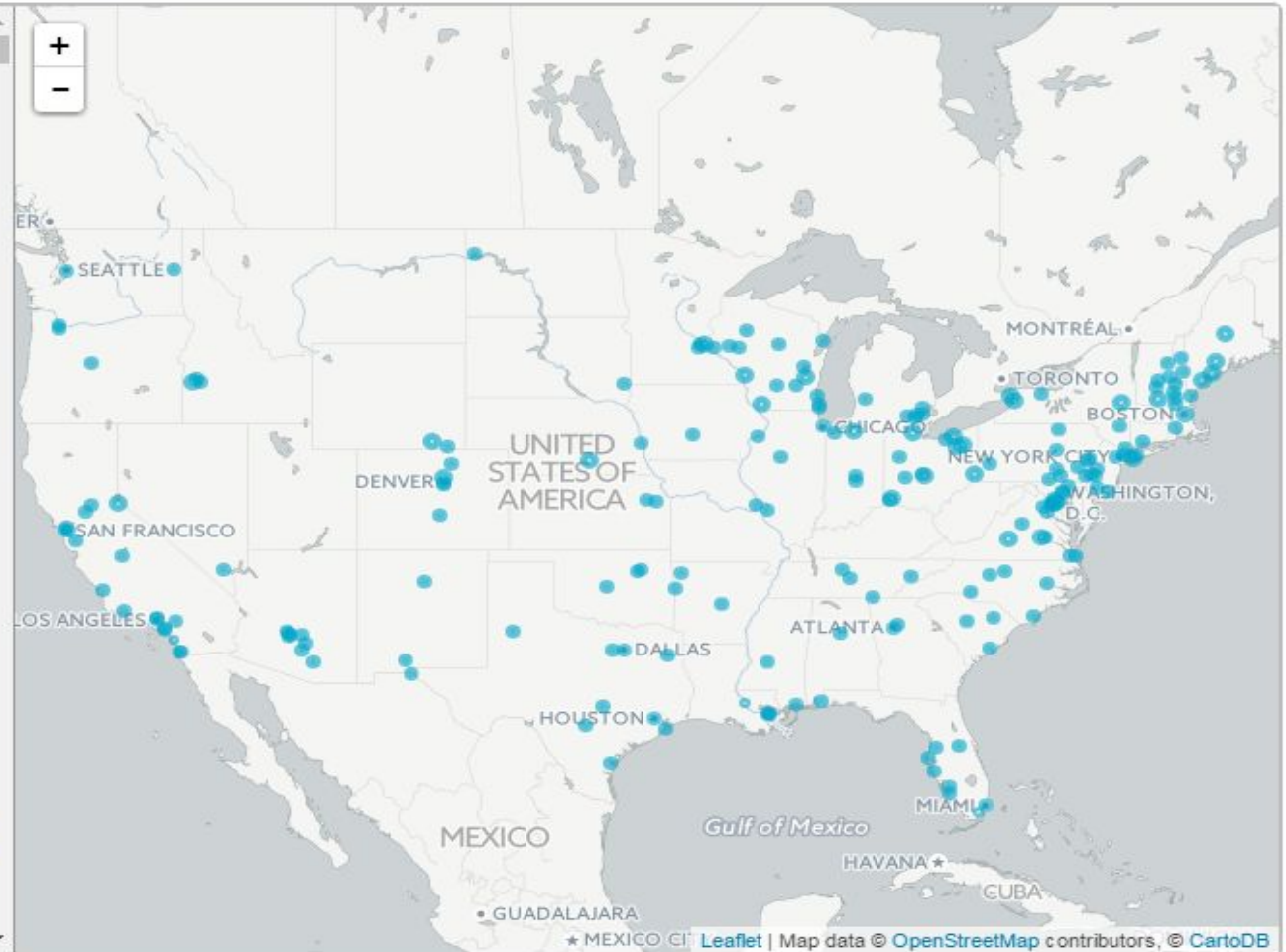
Phone: (817) 335-4673

ACTS SAVAS Sexual Assault Victims Advocacy Service

Hotline:(703) 368-4141

Phone: (703) 497-1192

Advocates for Basic





2017 Statistics

26,557

Calls related to human trafficking

8,524

Human trafficking cases

21,242

Human trafficking victims identified

4,687

Calls received directly from victims and survivors of human trafficking



2018 - Statistics

January 1 - June 30

14,117

Calls related to
human trafficking

5,147

Cases of human trafficking

17,935

Human trafficking
victims identified

2,676

Calls received directly
from victims and survivors
of human trafficking

Northern Triangle & Mexico - Statistics

- Individuals from Latin America make up a large percentage of victims identified in 18 of the 25 types of human trafficking.
- Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras are the most common countries of origin for victims from Latin America.

The 18 Types of HT Affecting Immigrants

| | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Agriculture | Health Services |
| Bars, strip clubs & cantinas | Hotels & Motels |
| Carnivals | Illicit Activities |
| Commercial Cleaning Services | Landscaping |
| Construction | Personal Sexual Servitude |
| Domestic Work | Recreational Facilities |
| Escort Services | Residential |
| Factories & Manufacturing | Restaurants |
| Forestry | Health & Beauty Services |

Agriculture

- **Recruitment**
 - Victim's country of origin
 - Debt bondage through recruitment fees
- **Victim Profile**
 - H-2A visa
 - Men and women with children
- **Methods of Control**
 - Lack of visa
 - H-2A visa holders are tied to one employer and will lose
 - Economic abuse: works paid by the piece, wage theft, and unfair payroll deductions

64%

of the victims that have contacted the NHTH are from Mexico and Guatemala.

Construction

60%

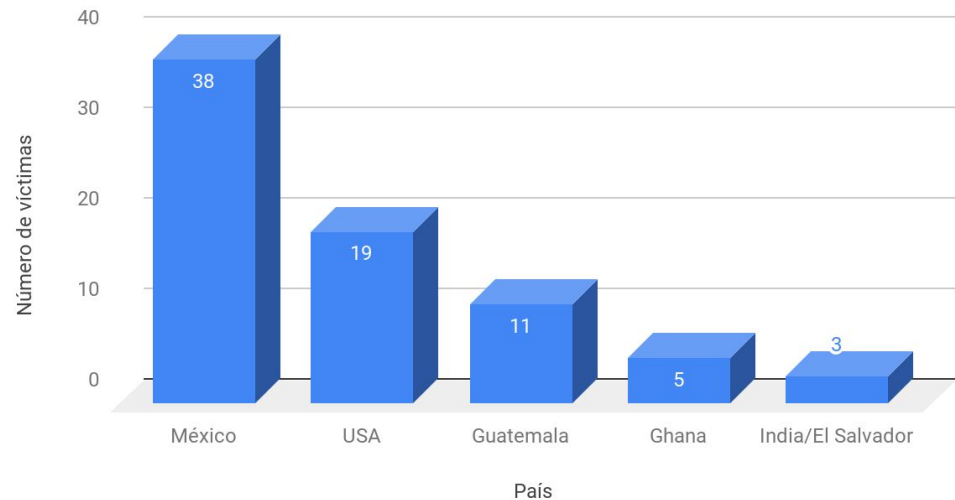
of the victims reported to the NHTH are from Mexico, El Salvador, Honduras, and Guatemala.

- **Recruitment**
 - Formal job offers
 - Fraudulent visa contracts
 - Recommendations from relatives or friends
- **Victim Profile**
 - Men
 - H-2B visa holders or undocumented
- **Methods of Control**
 - Lack of payment or salary deductions
 - Threats of deportation or blacklisting if workers complain
 - Verbal abuse
 - Lack of basic equipment or required safety equipment

Factories & Manufacturing

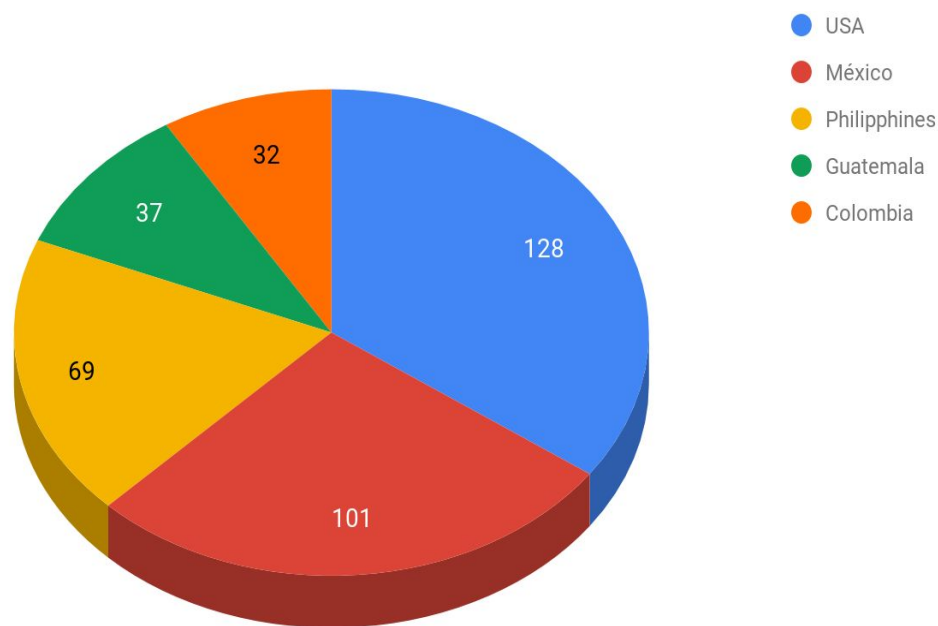
- **Recruitment**
 - Fraudulent job offers
 - Sometimes relatives are recruiters
- **Victim Profile**
 - H-2B visa holder
 - Minors
 - People from Latin America or Southeast Asia
- **Methods of Control**
 - ID confiscation
 - Threats of Physical Violence
 - Extreme surveillance
 - Wage withholding/debt bondage

Factories & Manufacturing



Almost 40% of the victims reported to the NHTH from these industries are from Mexico, Guatemala, and El Salvador.

Domestic Work



Total: 888 victims

- **Recruitment**

- Visas:

- B-1
 - A-3 or G-5
 - J-1
 - B-2
 - K-1

- **Victim Profile**

- Women
 - Mid age
 - Latin America, Africa, EUA

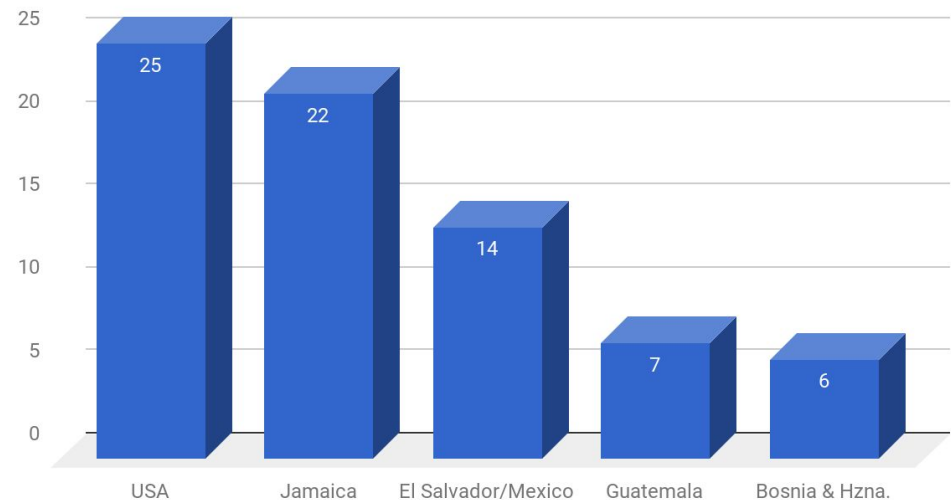
- **Methods of Control**

- Extreme surveillance
 - Debt bondage
 - ID confiscation
 - Wage withholding

Commercial Cleaning Services

- **Recruitment**
 - Fraudulent job offers
 - False promises
- **Victim Profile**
 - Men, women, and unaccompanied minors
- **Methods Control**
 - Wage withholding
 - Verbal abuse
 - Debt bondage
 - ID confiscation (visa, passport)
 - Deportation threats

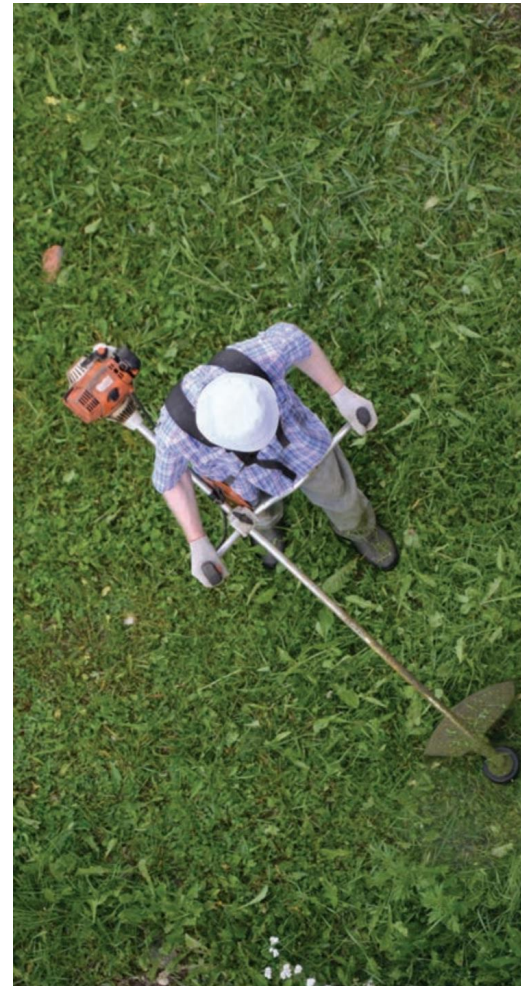
Commercial Cleaning Services



Total: 165 victims

Landscaping

- **Recruitment**
 - Fraudulent job offers, false promises, fraudulent contracts
 - Some recruiters are directly related to abuses and human trafficking
- **Victim Profile**
 - Men
 - Guatemala y Mexico
 - H-2B
- **Control**
 - Threats of blacklisting
 - Threats of losing legal status (H-2B)
 - Threats against family members





Outreach Efforts

- Awareness campaigns
- Partnerships and collaborations
- Promotion of the NHTH





La trata de personas puede ocurrir en bares, cantinas, clubes nocturnos... Detrás de estas fachadas hay una realidad oculta.

ABRAMOS LOS OJOS

Desde el 2007 se han identificado a más de

4,328 VÍCTIMAS

de la trata sexual en conexión con México o Centroamérica

Sabemos que:

- 88.4% de las víctimas son mujeres y niñas.
- 45% de las víctimas son menores.
- 33% de las víctimas tienen contacto con amigos o familiares que les podrían ayudar

¿ESTÁ OCURRIENDO LA TRATA DE PERSONAS EN TU COMUNIDAD?

Si sabemos reconocer las señales de la trata de personas, podremos ayudar a identificar más víctimas, conectarlas con la asistencia que necesiten y evitar que este crimen brutal se repita. A través de las llamadas a la Línea Nacional, Polaris ha identificado más de 1,000 casos de trata sexual de mujeres y niñas de México o Centroamérica, incluidos más de 243 casos de trata en cantinas, bares o clubes estadounidenses y 351 casos en burdeles residenciales.

¿QUÉ ASISTENCIA PROPORCIONA LA LÍNEA NACIONAL CONTRA LA TRATA DE PERSONAS?

Es un recurso gratuito, anónimo y confidencial que puedes usar para obtener ayuda o reportar posibles casos de trata. La Línea está disponible para responder a las llamadas de cualquier persona, estés donde estés, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, en tu idioma.

REPORTAR
POSIBLES
CASOS DE TRATA

ACCEDER
A SERVICIOS EN
TU LOCALIDAD

CONECTAR A
LAS VÍCTIMAS
CON APOYO

DARLE A LA
COMUNIDAD
HERRAMIENTAS PARA
LUCHAR CONTRA
LA TRATA

PEDIR
INFORMACIÓN O
RECURSOS BILINGÜES
SOBRE LA TRATA
DE PERSONAS

Anti-Trafficking Hotlines in North America

Objectives:

- National Human Trafficking hotlines in the United States, Mexico, and Canada
- Trilateral partnership to offer a joint and strategic response
- Comparison of data from the three countries in order to identify trends and create prevention programs for the victims, as well as identify ways of disrupt criminal networks
- Awareness campaigns to encourage regional strategies focused on generating regional changes





#QuéTePrometieron?

 **LÍNEA BINACIONAL VS. LA TRATA**

01 800 5533 000

Desde México

1888 373 78 88

Desde Estados Unidos

#MéxicoVsLaTrata
mexicovslatrata.org.mx

consejociudadanodf.org.mx

SMS 5533 foto y/o video



THANK YOU!

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