

Human Trafficking in Hotels



Sex trafficking occurs when someone encourages, causes, or attempts to cause a person to engage in prostitution for money or something of value.

Human trafficking affects people of all ages, genders, and nationalities.

Victims may appear to cooperate and often will not ask for help.

Common indicators of human trafficking:

Pay with cash or pre-paid card

Request room near exit or with view of parking lot

Multiple rooms for one couple

Multiple visitors to one room for short periods

Not in control of their own phone, money, or ID

Nervous or unable to speak for themselves

Signs of abuse, malnutrition, or drug use

Clothing does not fit, is not appropriate for the weather, or is overtly sexualized

Excess condoms, lubricant, lingerie, or sexual items

Frequent requests for linens and towels

Movement is monitored or restricted

Unaware of current or past whereabouts

Reporting suspected human trafficking:

For emergencies: Call 9-1-1 or #77

Virginia State Police Human Trafficking Tip Line

Text **"VSP" to 847411** or scan the QR code (to the right) to report online.

If you think someone is being trafficked, you can help by reporting.

Gather information for law enforcement, including license plate numbers, descriptions of involved individuals, and folio information. Collect as much information as possible without risking anyone's safety.



Do not attempt to intervene or rescue.