

**YOU  
MATTER**

A red, stylized cartoon character is positioned behind the text. The character has a large, round head with a wide, open mouth as if crying or shouting, and a small, curved body. The character is rendered in a vibrant red color with white outlines for its facial features and limbs. The background is white with scattered black dots and short, radiating black lines, creating a sense of impact or emotional intensity.

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For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

*2 Corinthians 5:14-15*



# HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS

January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month and  
January 11<sup>th</sup> was Human Trafficking Awareness Day

# WHO AM I?

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**30 MILLION  
PEOPLE**

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS MODERN DAY SLAVERY**

**MORE SLAVES IN THE WORLD TODAY  
THAN AT ANY OTHER POINT IN HISTORY**



Types of “Trafficking in Persons” (TIP) includes human trafficking, human laboring, smuggling, slavery, sexual exploitation, and sex trafficking



Human Trafficking - The recruitment, transportation, transfer, harboring or receipt of a person, by means of the threat or use of **force, fraud, coercion**, or deception for the purpose of exploitation.



Exploitation includes commercial sexual exploitation, prostitution of others, or other forms of sexual exploitation, forced labor or services, slavery or practices similar to slavery and servitude



Commercial sex or commercial sex acts are terms used to refer to the exchange of any sex act for something of value like money, drugs, clothing, shelter, or food

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## Sexual exploitation

- Legal definition: “A person who induces another person to undertake or endure a sexual act by serious abuse of that person’s position of dependency on the perpetrator, shall be guilty of sexual exploitation.”

## Sex trafficking

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

## “The Life”

- Involvement in any form of the sex industry including prostitution, pornography, phone sex lines, live sex shows/peep shows/viral shows, strip clubs, brothels, massage parlors/spas, escort services/private parties.



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    - **High reward, low risk**
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# WHAT ARE THE MISCONCEPTIONS?

- “The Life” is a victimless crime
- It is a choice
- It is done to support their drug habit
- Women make a lot of money
- It is glamorous, like high-class escorts at expensive hotels (Pretty Woman)
- It’s an “over-there” problem only
- It’s only a city problem

# IT IS HAPPENING HERE....

- Lehigh Valley

- On Monday March 4, 2016, Cody Corderro was sentenced to 30 years of prison, 20 years supervised release, registration and rehabilitation as a sex offender, after pleading guilty to 15 charges of human sex trafficking.
- On Monday March 7, 2016, Isaac Pearson was given a maximum sentence of 17-34 years after guilty conviction of human trafficking charges, **the first to be convicted under Pa's reformed statute, Act 105.**



# IT IS HAPPENING HERE....

- Philadelphia, PA - Man who pimped minor to serve 17 to 34 years (July 3, 2014)
  - Convicted sex trafficker Robert Spence will spend more years in prison than his teenage victim had been alive when he lured her and pimped her for cash, a Philadelphia judge ruled yesterday. After denying a motion to delay the sentencing in Spence's case, which dragged on for five years after his 2009 arrest, Judge Robert P. Coleman slapped the 46-year-old pimp with a sentence of 17 to 34 years for crimes including human trafficking, sexual exploitation of children and promoting prostitution of a minor.

# IT IS HAPPENING HERE....

- **NORRISTOWN, Pa. (CBS)** — Ten men are under arrest in Montgomery County snagged in a sting operation targeting human trafficking and the commercial sex trade in the Montgomeryville area.
- Prosecutors say it's not like they weren't warned. Nearly two months ago they announced they were **going after the "johns" and were targeting local hotels in Upper Merion and Montgomeryville.**
  - <http://philadelphia.cbslocal.com/2014/03/03/6-men-arrested-for-allegedly-patronizing-prostitutes/>

# IT IS HAPPENING HERE....

- Allentown, PA January 2014
  - Deshawn D. King, 33, and Daniel P. Blount, admitted they trapped heroin-addicted women in a prostitution ring that federal prosecutors described as modern-day slavery and were indicted in September on charges of recruiting women to work as prostitutes...
- Souderton, PA August 2013
  - Authorities said that since January 2011, Florencio Perez Martinez has been part of a corrupt organization supplying adult women of varying ages and nationalities to customers in Montgomery, Philadelphia, Chester, Bucks and Delaware counties who pay for their sexual services.

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- Allentown, PA (April, 2012) Vincent C. George, Jr & Sr., Father & son arrested for sex trafficking coming back from New York state.
- Reading, PA (2008) Paul S. Sewell, 46, pleaded guilty before Judge C. Darnell Jones II to sex trafficking girls, ages 14 to 17, and women, and possessing child pornography.
- Reading, PA (February 2012) Ronald Miko, former police officer from Reading, has been charged in connection to sex trafficking ring.



# IT IS HAPPENING HERE....

- Souderton, PA - Alleged prostitution ring 'delivered' women to ever-changing locations, investigators say (August 2013)
  - Pedro Sanchez, 52, of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Juan Peralta-Mijangos, 20, of Highland Park were arrested separately in Flemington (NJ) on Aug. 20, each while driving vans with women who were part of the prostitution ring, according to the Prosecutor's Office...the women were taken to "different types of residences," including apartments. Authorities said that the ring was operating in Hunterdon and Bucks (Pa.) counties for "well over two months."

# IT IS HAPPENING HERE....

- Bensalem, PA

One of Bucks County's most high-profile sex-trafficking cases recently culminated in a 40- to 80-year state prison sentence for Philadelphia pimp Enoch Smith. Smith, 36, was convicted in April 2013, after a four-day trial for rape and other charges related to the sex-for-money operation he ran out of Bensalem motels. In July, Smith was convicted in federal court of various sex-trafficking crimes. He operated the business beginning in 2009, recruiting young women, including at least one 15-year-old, according to federal authorities. An undercover operation led to Smith's arrest in 2011.

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Bucks County Deputy District Attorney Jennifer Schorn used the word “appalling” to describe admitted pimp Craig Johnson’s treatment of women and underage girls. Johnson, 43, of Harold Street in Philadelphia, was sentenced to 16 to 40 years in state prison in 2012 after he pleaded guilty to sexual exploitation of children, promoting prostitution and related offenses. He was arrested by Bensalem police during a sting operation that eventually showed he was pimping and sexually assaulting girls as young as 14. Authorities said Johnson took all the money his victims earned and he paid them in drugs, food and a place to stay. “He would prey on the most troubled of youth,” added Schorn during Johnson’s trial. “He would scoop them up and turn them out as prostitutes. He preyed upon them in the worst ways possible.”

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Anthony Brooks, a 22-year-old alleged pimp from Philadelphia, is headed to trial on a number of sex-trafficking charges. Brooks -- who called himself Tony Montana after the main character in the film "Scarface" faces charges in Bucks County Court including corrupt organizations, sexual exploitation of children, promoting prostitution of a minor and human trafficking. "One hundred percent of my earnings would go to him," said one woman who testified against Brooks in a Sept. 3 preliminary hearing in Bensalem district court. To remind her of this, the woman said she and a then-15-year-old prostitute got tattoos, at Brooks' urging, that read: "100 percent Montana." "The defendant enslaved these young women who didn't know any better," said Chief of Prosecution Matt Weintraub during Brooks' hearing. "He used their bodies as his business."



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- Bensalem, PA

Police say Jvan Simpson's prostitution ring operated out of at least one local motel as well as from his Philadelphia home. The 22-year-old faces seven felony charges related to sex trafficking, police said. Simpson is free on \$75,000 unsecured bail and is scheduled to appear in district court Oct. 15 for a preliminary hearing. In September 2013, Bensalem police responded to a tip about a runaway girl that eventually led to the arrest of another Philadelphia trafficker.

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Jabbar Wells, 33, pleaded guilty in February in Bucks County Court to trafficking a 16-year-old girl from a Bensalem motel. "At the end of the day, he would take her to his house and keep all the money," said prosecutor Chelsey Jackman. "Human trafficking has always existed in Bucks County, but recently we've been focusing our efforts on identifying the victim, and essentially having that lead us to the pimp or the person who is promoting the extortion. "It's to the credit of the Bensalem Township Police Department that they recognized what was really going on here, that this individual was being prostituted and, essentially, trafficked," Jackman added. "Without that, we might not have secured this conviction and gotten justice for this juvenile."

# IT IS HAPPENING HERE....

- Bensalem, PA - April 11, 2014

A Philadelphia man was charged Wednesday under Pennsylvania's little-used human-trafficking law, accused of forcing two teenage girls and a young woman into prostitution in Bensalem. The teenagers told police that Anthony Brooks, 21, had demanded they pay him \$1,000 a day, officials said. Police said that the two girls had run away from the custody of Philadelphia's Department of Human Services more than a year ago and became acquainted with Brooks, also known as "Tony Montana," who recruited them and persuaded them that he was their "boyfriend."

# IT IS HAPPENING HERE....

- Philadelphia, PA - July 22, 2015

A woman was forced to dance at a Philadelphia strip club and then held captive in a Voorhees apartment last week before she fled and sought refuge in a bank, authorities said Monday. Three Voorhees residents were charged in the incident involving the 20-year-old Texas woman, who was not identified. Michael D. "Daddy" Watts, 43, was charged with human trafficking and criminal sexual contact. Watts lured the woman to Philadelphia by promising her a modeling job, authorities said. Watts allegedly paid for airfare and picked her up from the airport on July 13. Watts then took the woman to his apartment and said she belonged to him, authorities said.

# IT IS HAPPENING HERE....

- Lansdale, PA - February 26, 2016

A Lansdale man was charged Wednesday with prostitution and human trafficking for allegedly having a sexual relationship with a teenage girl and arranging for her to engage in prostitution. Brian Kieffer, 32, met the Hatfield girl on a social media app when she was 15, Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin Steele said in a news release Wednesday. Kieffer began an inappropriate relationship with her, police said, and managed her prostitution, from which he profited. Steele said Kieffer also drove the girl, now 16, to Philadelphia to purchase heroin and cocaine, and last fall took her to Florida without her parents' knowledge or consent.

# WHAT ARE THE SIGNS?

- Changes in schedule
- Changes in terminology
- Expensive items that they could not afford
- Wearing new clothing that is not their own
- Bruises that they cannot explain
- Stop hanging out with friends/new friends
- New tattoos as traffickers use it to brand their victims
- Increased dependability on alcohol and drugs
- Little to no control over self/in a controlling and abusive relationship (look for signs of domestic violence)
- Exchanging sex for money, food, shelter, for “boyfriend”
- Struggling with low self esteem/self-worth



# WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- Support local youth organizations
- Support laws that support victims of sexual exploitation and trafficking
- Support law enforcement process and the prosecution of the abuser, not the victims
- Don't buy it – not involved in pornography or the sex industry as it often uses victims against their will, not buying products made by slave laborers
- Support organizations that fight trafficking
- Join with a local coalition: Bucks Coalition Against Trafficking (BCAT), Valley Against Sex Trafficking (VAST)
- Be safe and encourage safety online to the youth in your life
- Report signs or suspicions of trafficking to National Human Trafficking hotline 1-888-373-7888
- Be aware – take a second look
- Be aware of your perspective/beliefs on the issue

# RESOURCES

BCAT (Bucks Coalition Against Trafficking)

[www.bcatpa.org/](http://www.bcatpa.org/)

NOVA (Network of Victims Assistance)

[www.novabucks.org/otherinformation/humantrafficking/](http://www.novabucks.org/otherinformation/humantrafficking/)

The Valley Against Sex Trafficking (VAST) [thevast.org](http://thevast.org)

Worthwhile Wear [www.worthwhilewear.org](http://www.worthwhilewear.org)

Polaris Project: [www.polarisproject.org](http://www.polarisproject.org)

Not For Sale Campaign [notforsalecampaign.org](http://notforsalecampaign.org)

Rescue & Restore Campaign [www.acf.hhs.gov/trafficking](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/trafficking)

Shared Hope International: [www.sharedhope.org](http://www.sharedhope.org)

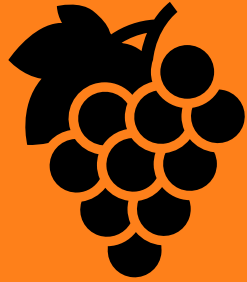
## RESOURCES / REFERENCES

- Diane Langberg Video:

<http://208.106.253.109/video/trauma-as-a-place-of-service.aspx>

- *Girls Like Us* by Rachel Lloyd
- Video by Rachel Lloyd:  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZvnRYte3PAk>
- *Walking Prey* by Holly Austin Smith
- *Somebody's Daughter* by Julian Sher
- *The White Umbrella* by Mary Frances Bowley
- *Stopping the Traffick: A Christin Response to Sexual Exploitation and Trafficking* by Glenn Miles & Christa Foster Crawford

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2 CORINTHIANS  
4:8-9



Though the fig tree does not bud  
and there are no grapes on the vines  
though the olive crop fails  
and the fields produce no food,  
though there are no sheep in the pen  
and no cattle in the stalls,  
yet I will rejoice in the Lord,  
I will be joyful in God my Savior.



We are hard pressed on every side,  
but not crushed;  
perplexed, but not in despair;  
persecuted, but not abandoned;  
struck down, but not destroyed.

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