

ACTION PROJECT  
SAFEGUARDING ALL FROM EXPLOITATION

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## HOW TO REPORT SUSPECTED INCIDENTS:

You can help report suspected incidents of human trafficking and/or commercial sexual exploitation.

1. If there is an immediate threat, call 9-1-1.
2. For all other suspicions, questions, or concerns, **contact:**

**National Human Trafficking  
Resource Center Hotline:  
1-888-3737-888**

**Text INFO or HELP  
to BeFree  
(233733)**

Do not engage those suspected to be involved. Report the incident and the authorities will investigate.

## What is Human Trafficking?

A criminal activity in which human beings are treated as possessions to be controlled and exploited (as by being forced into prostitution or involuntary labor).

## What is Commercial Sexual Exploitation?

Commercial sexual exploitation occurs when a person is induced in any way to engage in commercial sex.

# Commercial Sexual Exploitation: Warning Signs

## ***Please note:***

Many of these indicators can also be seen in ***lawful*** activities, and the presence of one or more of these indicators does not immediately mean sex trafficking is occurring. Incidents of ***multiple signs*** are the best indication.

**CONSIDER THESE TO BE RED FLAGS.**

## **AIRPORT:**

- Having no control of their travel documents or identification papers
- An individual exhibiting anxious or nervous behavior and avoiding eye contact
- Not speaking on their own behalf
- Asking permission from companion to eat or use the bathroom

## **HOTEL:**

- Having few or no personal belongings or carrying clothing in small plastic bags
- Individuals monitoring guests in the lobby
- Children taking on adult roles, like paying a bill
- Communication seems scripted or rehearsed

## **TRANSIT:**

- Asking or talking about the local sex scene
- Adults traveling with non-related children
- Bruises or other signs of abuse
- Individuals may be unaware of travel plans