



# Human Trafficking Prevention and Mitigation

Manolo Guillen | November 18, 2024



# Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

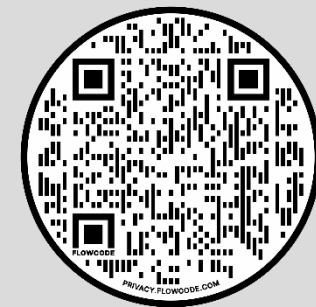
- We respectfully acknowledge that we live and work in territories where indigenous nations and tribal groups are traditional stewards of the land. Our California office resides in Tongva territory.
- Please join us in supporting efforts to affirm tribal sovereignty across what is now known as California and in displaying respect, honor, and gratitude for all indigenous people.

## Whose land are you on?

Option 1: Text your ZIP code to 1-907-312-5085

Option 2: Enter your location at <https://native-land.ca>

Option 3: Access Native Land website via QR code



# Community Agreements

- Be present and be an active listener.
- Remember: One mic, one voice.
- Practice inclusivity.
- Honor pronouns and gender identity.
- Show respect. (This may look different for each person.)
- Allow conflicting perspectives to exist.
- Assume best intentions.
- Take space, make space.
- Share what you are comfortable sharing.
- Protect individual privacy.
- Practice self-care.
- Encourage growth of self and for others.
- Support resource sharing.



# Presenter: Manolo Guillen

Manolo Guillen is the vice president and a founding member of the International Network of Hearts (INH), a nonprofit organization based in the United States and Mexico that addresses human trafficking. For more than 20 years, he has worked with hundreds of sexually exploited children of diverse backgrounds. Manolo is also co-founder of Casa del Jardin, a safe home in Tijuana, Baja California, designed to rescue women and children from human trafficking.

In 2007, serving as a director with San Diego Youth Services, Manolo co-founded STARS (Surviving Together, Achieving and Reaching for Success), a counseling program for teen girl survivors of sex trafficking. Manolo also coordinated a multidisciplinary team in coordination with local and federal law enforcement agencies that responded to child sex trafficking in San Diego County.

Manolo has also served as a director with the Institute for Public Strategies, where he secured funding from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) to help found the San Diego Human Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children Advisory Council.

Manolo has worked as a consultant to the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training, where he developed training programs on human trafficking and helped train hundreds of law enforcement and other first responders. He currently serves as the director of government and public affairs with IREX AI, a global company that uses artificial intelligence to address crime and violence, including human trafficking.



# Learning Objectives



(INH)

By the end of this presentation, participants will:

- Gain an understanding of what human trafficking is and the variations of it.
- Become familiar with key legislation that pertains to human trafficking.
- Better understand signs that victims may express as well as subpopulations within this group.
- Become familiar with who the perpetrators are and the tactics they use.
- Learn action steps for how to address this issue in their local area.

# Our Approach



(INH)



# The Four Ps Model



(INH)





(INH)

## Introduction

What is human trafficking?

What is the scope and nature?

What are the laws?

Who are the perpetrators?

Who are the victims?

How can I help?





(INH)

# What Is Human Trafficking?

# What Is Human Trafficking?



(INH)

- **The illegal trade of human beings**
- **Modern day slavery**
- **One of the worst forms of human rights violations**

# What Is the Scope and Nature?

## Globally

- Approximately 27 million people enslaved around the world (Bales, 1999)
- 50 million people trapped in slavery (ILO 2021 global estimates)
- An estimated 1.2 million children trafficked around the world (ILO, 2015)
- \$150 billion industry (ILO, 2014)
- \$99 billion from sex trafficking (ILO, 2014)
- Fastest growing form of organized crime (USAO, n.d.)
- Second only to the sale of drugs (USAO, n.d.)

# What Is the Scope and Nature?

## California

“In 2018, 1,656 cases of human trafficking were reported in California. . . .

- “1,226 were sex trafficking cases,
- “151 were labor trafficking cases,
- “110 involved both labor and sex trafficking, and
- “In 169 cases the type of trafficking was not specified.”

(OAG, n.d.)

# What Is the Scope and Nature?

## Locally

- Commercial sex is an \$810 million underground economy.
- Second largest underground economy.
- Approximately 8,000 child victims of sex trafficking.
- Average age of entry is 15.
- At least 110 gangs are involved.
- 85% of pimps/sex traffickers are gang involved.

# Commercial Sexual Exploitation

- **Street prostitution**
- **Pornography**
- **Red light districts**
- **Online/webcams**
- **Social media**
- **Hotels/motels**
- **Sex camps**
- **Massage parlors**
- **Escort agencies**
- **Call girl services**
- **Peep shows**
- **Brothels**
- **Bars/strip clubs**
- **Truck stops**

# Labor Exploitation

- **Agricultural camps**
- **Sweatshops**
- **Panhandling**
- **Hotels**
- **Factories**
- **Restaurants**
- **Nail salons**
- **Car wash venues**
- **Homes**
- **Construction sites**

# How Does Human Trafficking Happen?

## Criminal Elements

### Process:

- May involve the recruitment, kidnapping, transportation, smuggling, harboring, or buying or selling of a person.

### Means: (Force, fraud, or coercion)

- Threats to the victim or the victim's family.
- Legal coercion—the threat of calling immigration officials or law enforcement to arrest the victim.
- Using a plan or scheme to make the person believe that something bad will happen.

### End:

- For the purposes of commercial sexual exploitation or forced labor.



# What Are the Laws?

## Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000

PUBLIC LAW 106–386—OCT. 28, 2000

a) **Sex trafficking is the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, obtaining, patronizing, or soliciting of a person for the purpose of 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 act has not attained 18 years of age (22 U.S.C. § 7102(11)(A).**

b) **Forced labor is 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. (22 U.S.C. § 7102(11)(B).**

# What Are the Laws?

## Assembly Bill 22 - California Victims of Trafficking Protection Act 2005

Added Penal Code Section 236.1 – “Any person who deprives or violates the personal liberty of another with the intent to effect or maintain a felony violation of section 266 (enticement of minor into prostitution), 266h (pimping), 266i (pandering), 267 (child abduction), 311.4 (child pornography), or 518 (extortion), or to obtain forced labor or services, is guilty of human trafficking.”

# What Are the Laws?

## The PROTECT Act 2003

117 Stat. 650 (Public Law 108–21) - Prosecutorial Remedies and Other Tools to End the Exploitation of Children Today Act of 2003

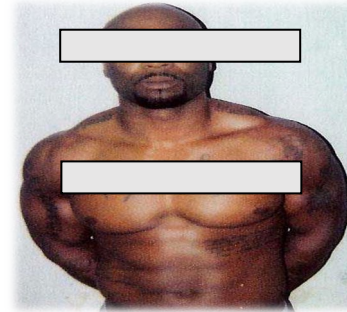
- Among other protections, it addresses child sex tourism.
- Makes it illegal for a U.S. citizen or resident to travel abroad to sexually abuse children.
- Removed the need to prove intent.
- Eliminates statute of limitations on most kidnapping and sexual abuse cases.

# Why Does This Happen?

- **Globalization**
- **Low risk / high profitability**
- **Victims can be sold over and over**
- **Demand for paid sex**
- **Demand for cheap and exploitable labor**
- **Poverty**
- **Abuse/domestic violence**
- **Forced migration**
- **War/conflict**
- **Displaced persons**
- **Natural disasters**
- **Pandemics**

# Who Are the Perpetrators?

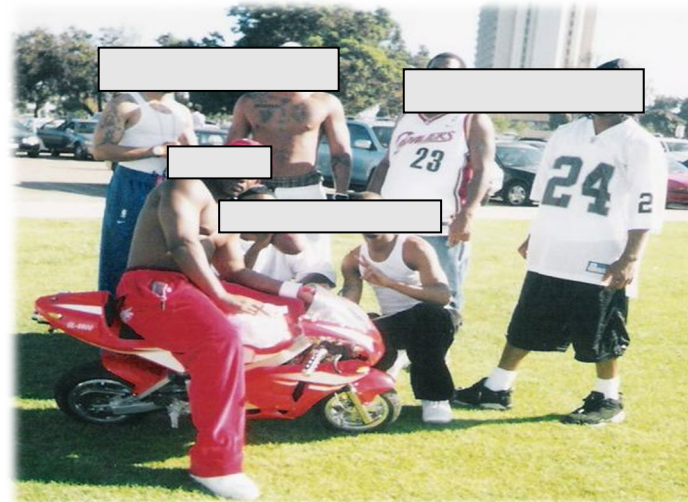
- **Sex traffickers**
- **Pimps**
- **Gang members**
- **Child pornographers**
- **Madams**
- **Sex customers**
- **Sex tourists**



(INH)



(INH)



(INH)

# Who Are the Victims?

The key word is  
“vulnerability”

Any child could  
be a victim

Homeless,  
runaway, foster  
youth, LGBTQ+

Immigrants



(INH)



(INH)



(INH)

# What Are the Signs and Indicators?

- Sudden withdrawal from peers/family
- Sexualized/poor boundaries (acting out)
- Fearful, paranoid, or indoctrinated
- Chronically running away from home
- Truancy or staying out late without explaining
- Drug or alcohol misuse
- Anger/aggression (acting out)
- Expressing fear of controlling “boyfriend”
- Use of language like “my sugar daddy”

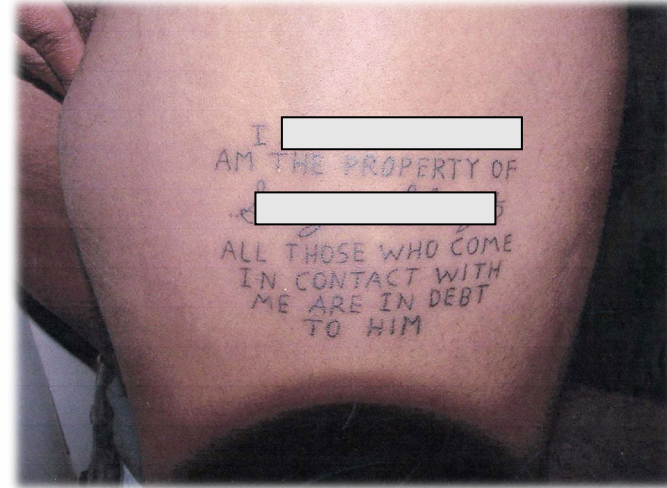
## Behavioral Signs



(INH)

# What Are the Signs and Indicators?

- Medical neglect/STDs/unwanted pregnancy
- Physical bruises/signs of torture or abuse
- Tattoos or branding
- Money or new “gifts” with no means of income
- Backpack: skimpy clothing, high heels, lingerie
- Condoms, lubricants, sex toys
- Two cell phones, hotel keys or receipts
- New hairdos and manicures
- \$\$\$\$ signs and nicknames on school materials or clothing



Physical Signs

(INH)



(INH)



# How Can I Help?

- **Get informed.**
- **Report suspected abuse.**
- **Get involved with a nonprofit.**
- **Join a coalition.**
- **Donate to a nonprofit.**
- **Get training for your team.**
- **Do a fundraiser/drive.**
- **Talk to your friends/family.**
- **Talk to your community.**
- **Show a documentary.**
- **Create a nonprofit.**
- **Report it!**

Call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888  
Or Text "Help" to 233733 (BeFree)

# Local Resources

International Network of Hearts (Mexico) [www.inhearts.org](http://www.inhearts.org)

San Diego Youth Services (STARS) <https://sdyouthservices.org/services/mental-health/>

Generate Hope (San Diego) [www.generatehope.org](http://www.generatehope.org)

Orange County Human Trafficking Task Force [www.ochumantrafficking.com](http://www.ochumantrafficking.com)

Coalition To Abolish Slavery & Trafficking (Cast) [www.castla.org](http://www.castla.org)

Los Angeles Regional Human Trafficking Task Force [www.lahumantrafficking.com](http://www.lahumantrafficking.com)

Kern Coalition Against Human Trafficking [www.kcaht.org](http://www.kcaht.org)

San Francisco Collaborative Against Human Trafficking [www.sfcaht.org/index.html#/](http://www.sfcaht.org/index.html#/)

# Check for Understanding



(INH)

Through this presentation, participants now:

- Understand what human trafficking is and the variations of it.
- Are familiar with key legislation that pertains to human trafficking.
- Better understand signs that victims may express as well as subpopulations within this group.
- Are familiar with who the perpetrators are and the tactics they use.
- Know action steps for how to address this issue in their local area.

**Questions?**





**Please fill out the attendance form and feedback survey in the chat to meet your requirements for today's event.**



**Thank You**

# References

[Assembly Bill \(AB\) 22](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/05-06/bill/asm/ab_0001-0050/ab_22_bill_20050921_chaptered.html) (Lieber, Liu, and Kuehl, Chapter 240, Statutes of 2005). [http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/05-06/bill/asm/ab\\_0001-0050/ab\\_22\\_bill\\_20050921\\_chaptered.html](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/05-06/bill/asm/ab_0001-0050/ab_22_bill_20050921_chaptered.html)

Bales, K. (1999). *Disposable people: New slavery in the global economy*. University of California Press.

Carpenter, A., & Gates, J. (2016). [\*The nature and extent of gang involvement in sex trafficking in San Diego County\*](https://www.ojp.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grants/249857.pdf). University of San Diego & Point Loma Nazarene University. <https://www.ojp.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grants/249857.pdf>

International Labour Organization. (2021). [\*Global estimates of modern slavery: Forced labour and forced marriage\*](https://publications.iom.int/books/global-estimates-modern-slavery-forced-labour-and-forced-marriage). <https://publications.iom.int/books/global-estimates-modern-slavery-forced-labour-and-forced-marriage>

International Labour Organization. (2015). [\*Commercial sexual exploitation and trafficking of children “in a nutshell”: A resource for Pacific Island countries\*](https://www.ilo.org/publications/commercial-sexual-exploitation-and-trafficking-children-nutshell), p. 3. <https://www.ilo.org/publications/commercial-sexual-exploitation-and-trafficking-children-nutshell>

International Labour Organization. (2014). [\*Profits and poverty: The economics of forced labour\*](https://www.ilo.org/publications/profits-and-poverty-economics-forced-labour-0). <https://www.ilo.org/publications/profits-and-poverty-economics-forced-labour-0>

International Labour Organization. (2012). [\*ILO global estimate of forced labour\*](https://www.ilo.org/sites/default/files/wcmsp5/groups/public/%40ed_norm/%40declaration/documents/publication/wcms_182004.pdf). [https://www.ilo.org/sites/default/files/wcmsp5/groups/public/%40ed\\_norm/%40declaration/documents/publication/wcms\\_182004.pdf](https://www.ilo.org/sites/default/files/wcmsp5/groups/public/%40ed_norm/%40declaration/documents/publication/wcms_182004.pdf)

# References

Office of the Attorney General. (n.d.). [What is human trafficking?](https://oag.ca.gov/human-trafficking/what-is#:~:text=In%202018%2C%201%2C656%20cases%20of,of%20trafficking%20was%20not%20specified) State of California Department of Justice. <https://oag.ca.gov/human-trafficking/what-is#:~:text=In%202018%2C%201%2C656%20cases%20of,of%20trafficking%20was%20not%20specified>

Office for Victims of Crime. (2004). [Assessment of U.S. activities to combat trafficking in persons](https://www.ojp.gov/ncjrs/virtual-library/abstracts/assessment-us-government-activities-combat-trafficking-persons-june), p. 5. U.S. Department of Justice. <https://www.ojp.gov/ncjrs/virtual-library/abstracts/assessment-us-government-activities-combat-trafficking-persons-june>

United States Attorney's Office, District of Rhode Island. (n.d.). [Human trafficking](https://www.justice.gov/usao-ri/human-trafficking#:~:text=Human%20trafficking%20is%20the%20world%27s%20fastest%20growing%20criminal,a%20status%20it%20shares%20with%20illegal%20arms%20trafficking). U.S. Department of Justice. <https://www.justice.gov/usao-ri/human-trafficking#:~:text=Human%20trafficking%20is%20the%20world%27s%20fastest%20growing%20criminal,a%20status%20it%20shares%20with%20illegal%20arms%20trafficking>.

U.S. Department of Justice. (2003, April 30). [Fact sheet: PROTECT Act](https://www.justice.gov/archive/opa/pr/2003/April/03_ag_266.htm). [https://www.justice.gov/archive/opa/pr/2003/April/03\\_ag\\_266.htm](https://www.justice.gov/archive/opa/pr/2003/April/03_ag_266.htm)

[Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000](https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/PLAW-106publ386/pdf/PLAW-106publ386.pdf), Pub. L. 106-386, 114 Stat. 1464 (2000). <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/PLAW-106publ386/pdf/PLAW-106publ386.pdf>