

# YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE



## *for someone caught in human trafficking*

Trafficking: Making someone provide sex, labor or services through FORCE, FRAUD (lies/tricks/manipulation) or COERCION (threats/intimidation)

### Some of the signs of human trafficking:

- A person is especially fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive, avoids eye contact
- Appears malnourished or lacks health care, dental care or proper clothing
- Uses language like "Daddy," "Mama," "The Life," "Track," "Stable," "Kiddie Stroll," "Tricks,"
- Is not allowed to speak for themselves
- Has little or no luggage
- Has no ID, multiple ID's for one person or room keys from other hotels
- Someone (or a group of people) seems to be controlling someone else (or a group of people)
- Pays for rooms in cash/prepaid debit card – may want two connecting rooms (1 sleep, 1 work)
- Group of girls, boys, men, or women with identical tattoos that could represent branding
- Refuses housekeeping services or "Do Not Disturb" sign up for multiple days
- Concerning items in room: sex paraphernalia (toys/condoms), porn, numerous smartphones or computers, children's clothes or costumes – without children registered to the room, etc.
- Rents a small # of rooms for a group of people
- Requests to rent room by the hour or partial day
- A young girl with an older "boyfriend" or "father" (that really isn't her dad)
- Different men/women coming and going, possibly at odd hours and at side or rear entrances
- Forced to work long hours or under horrible working conditions
- Forced to turn over wages or makes little or no pay
- Owe a "debt" to their employer

**Remember: People victimized can be any gender, as can those trafficking others!**

### What to do:

Follow your hotel/motel's policy AND:

- Call your hotel's Law Enforcement contact \_\_\_\_\_ or 911 if imminent danger is present, the victim requests, you want to report a tip, or a minor is involved.
- In other situations, you can call the **National Human Trafficking Hotline (1-888-373-7888)** for advice and assistance.
- Another resource is the **Iowa Victim Service Call Center (1-800-700-1650)**.
- Maintain a "normal and routine" appearance while securing any identifying info (check in information, credit card receipts, security footage [mark date, time, location], garbage from rooms, etc.)

