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WAYS TO REPORT



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713-222-TIPS



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The Tip Line is available **24/7**



CRIME STOPPERS OF HOUSTON

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YOU WANT TO SEE

— TO HELP —

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TIP LINE: 713-222-TIPS



HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION



LESSONS OF THE DAY

What is it?

**Where is
it?**

**Who is
affected by
it?**

**Who
engages
in it?**

**How are
youth lured
in?**

**What's the
strategy to
end it?**



WHAT IS IT?



Human Trafficking involves exploiting a person through **force**, **fraud**, or **coercion** for the purpose of **forced labor**, **commercial sex**, or both.

It is a human rights issue!



WHAT IS IT?

Force

- Physical assault
- Sexual assault
- Rape
- Physical confinement
- Isolation

Fraud

- Fraudulent employment offers
- False promises
- Withholding wages
- Posing as a friend or romantic partner

Coercion

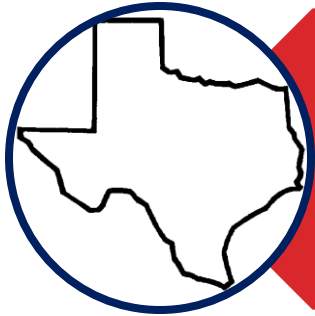
- Threats
- Debt bondage
- Withholding legal documents
- Psychological manipulation
- Blackmail



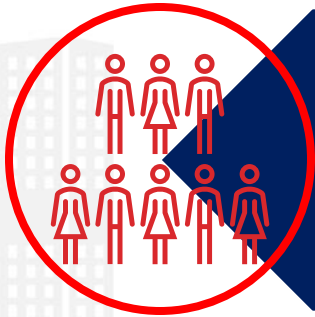
WHERE IS IT?



WHERE IS IT?



Texas ranks #2 in reported cases of Human Trafficking



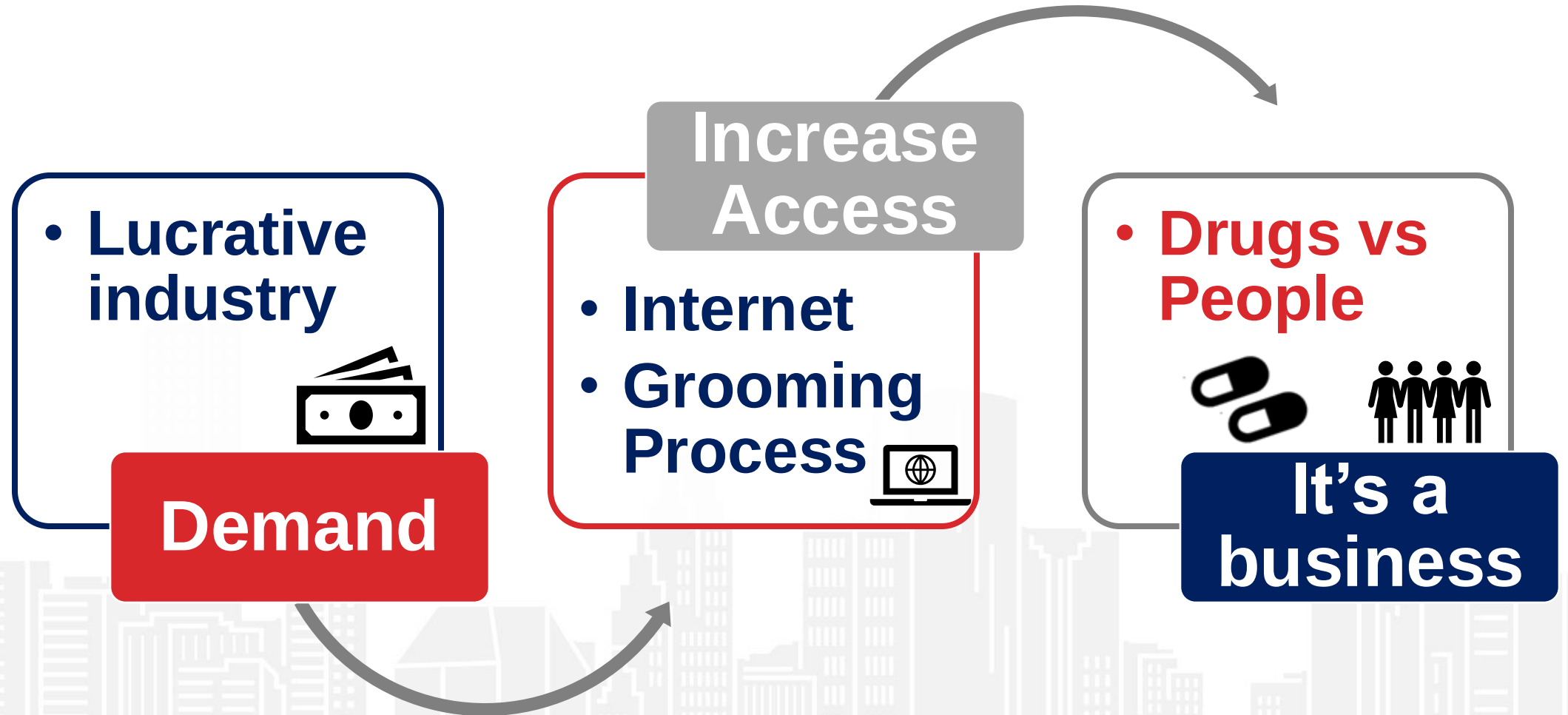
The Human Trafficking Hotline has identified **7,804** cases of human trafficking. **19,051** victims were identified in these cases. **2014-2021*



In 2021, the hotline received **3,534** “signals”, **1,124** of which were from victims or survivors

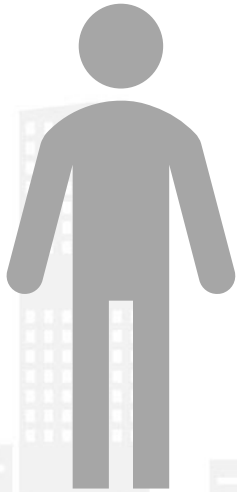


WHY IS IT GROOMING?

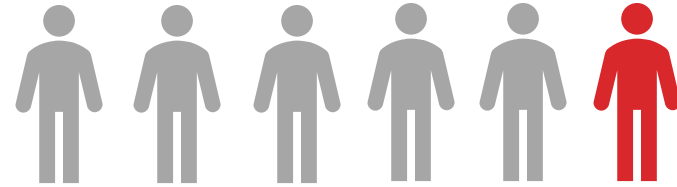


WHO IS IT - VICTIM?

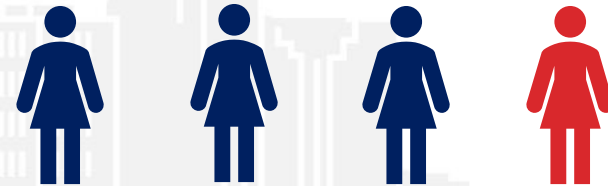
29% male



71% female



1 in 6



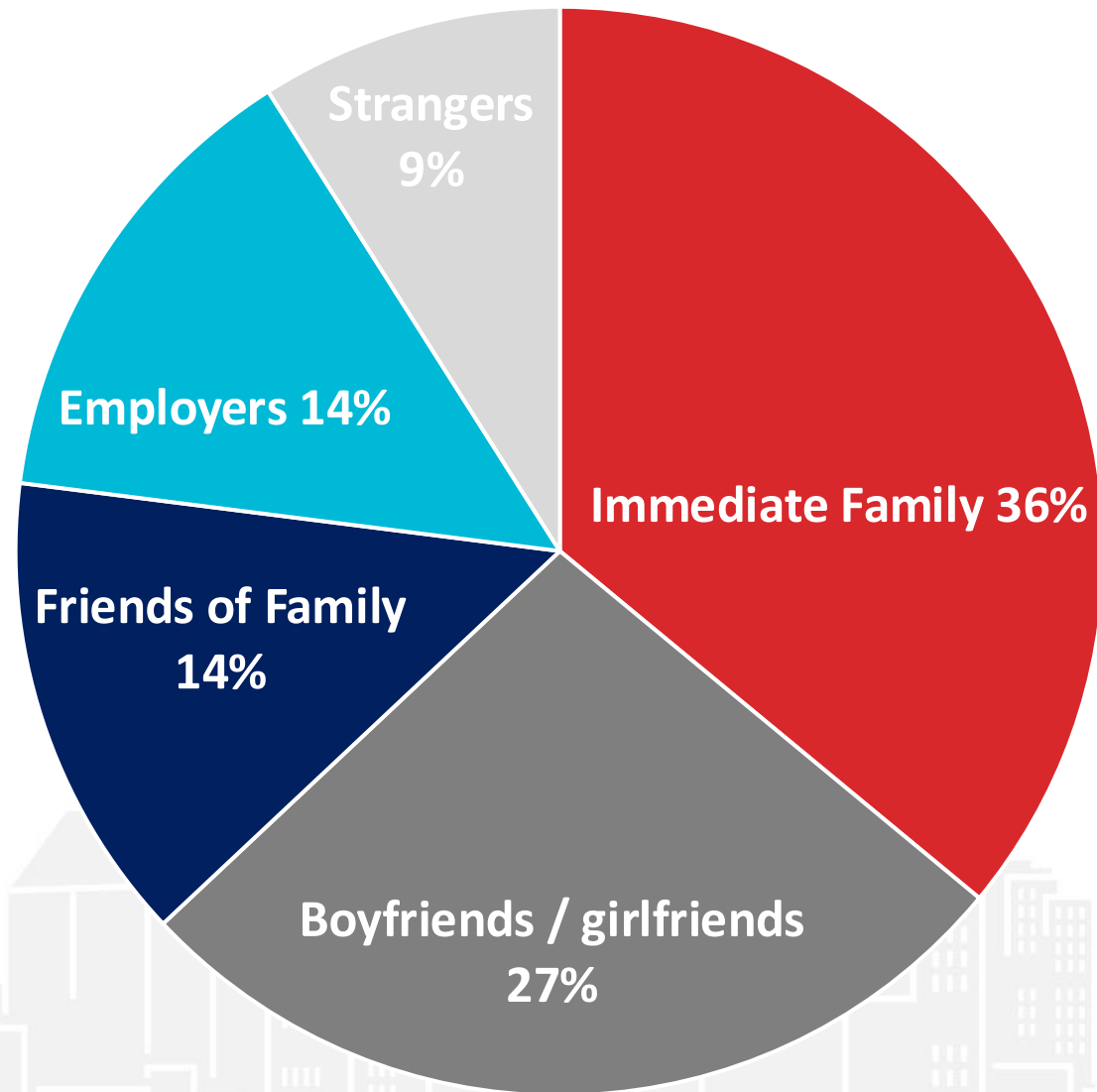
1 in 4



WHO IS IT - TRAFFICKER



WHO IS IT - PERPETRATOR



HOW TO STAY SAFE ONLINE



Who are strangers?

Impersonation



**How are groomers
using the internet
to exploit students?**



HOW PREDATORS RESPOND

**“I
understand
you”**

**“You can make
your own
decisions.
You’re an adult”**

**“Your friends
are just
jealous we’re
talking”**

**“This is
because I
care”**

**“I’ll make
your life
better”**

**“I’ll make
you
successful”**

**“I’ll protect
you”**



WHAT IS GROOMING?

It's a
process

Romantic
interest

Friend

Mentor

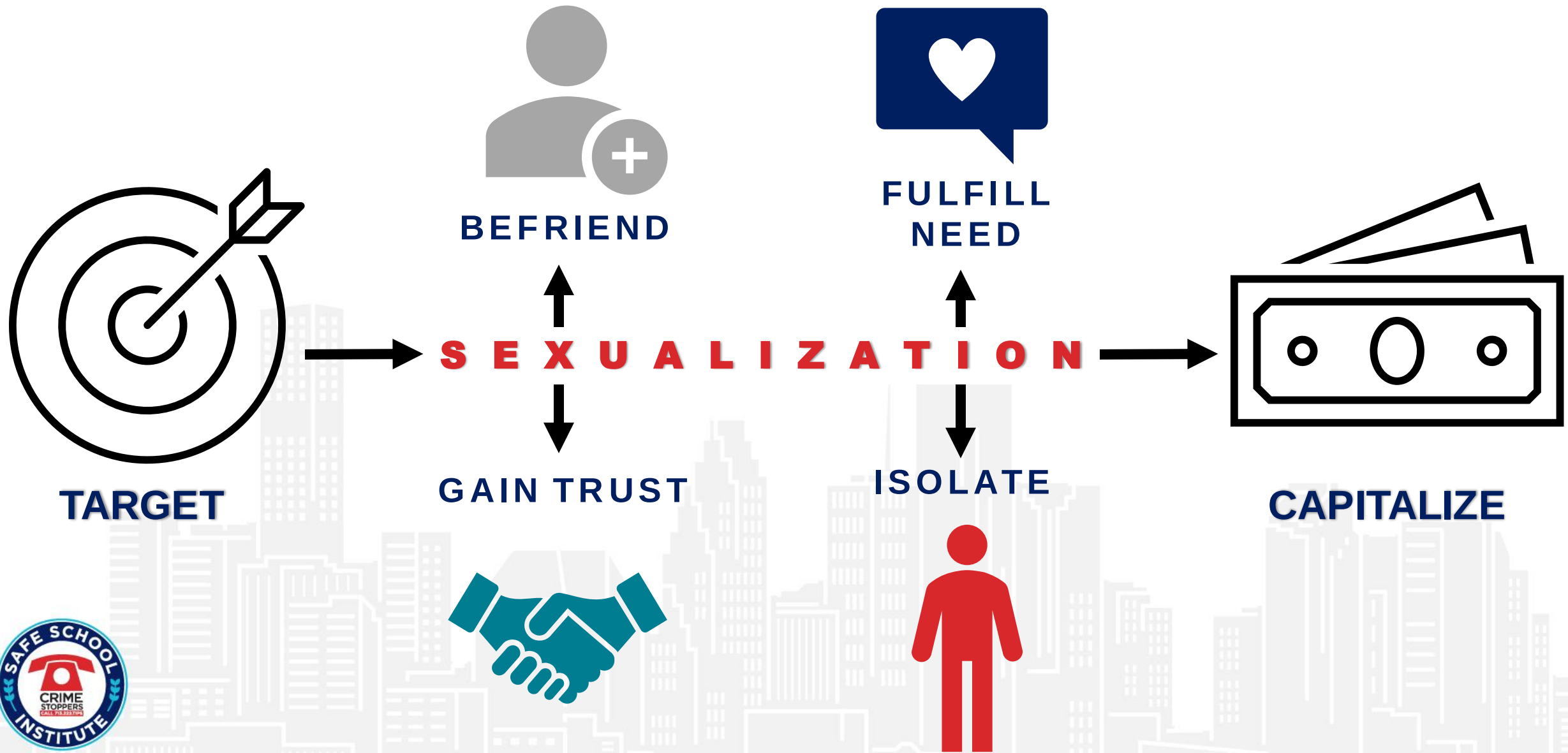
When a person goes out
of their way to establish
a relationship with you

Can happen face to
face or online

Groomers are manipulative, deceitful, and
can initially be hard to spot



STAGES OF GROOMING

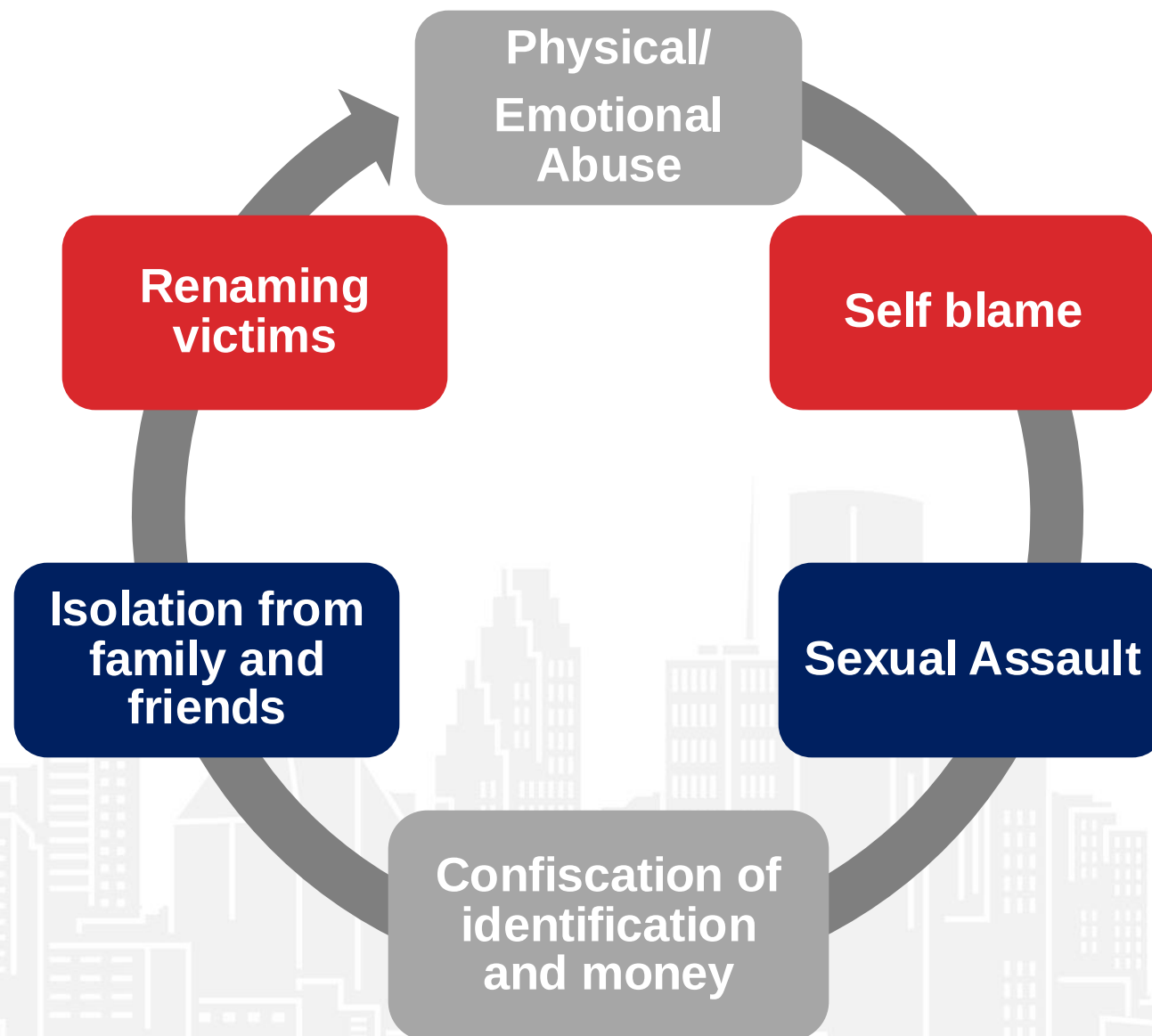


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CONTROL TACTICS



CONTROL TACTICS



Victim or



Trafficker



**VICTIM OR
TRAFFICKER?**

Victim

**Trafficked at
17 facing
life in prison
for killing
trafficker.**



**VICTIM OR
TRAFFICKER?**

Trafficker

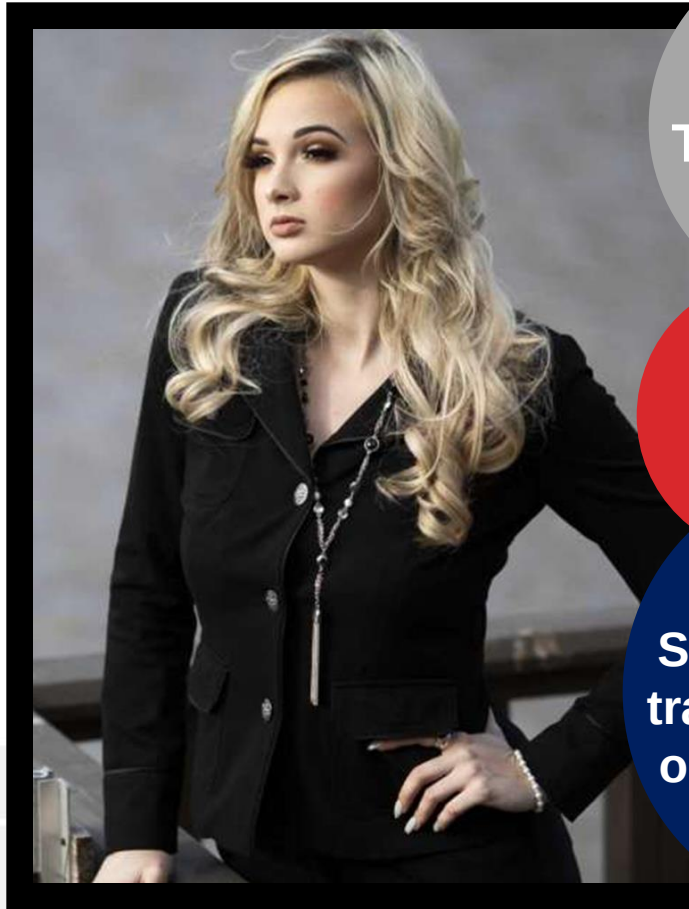
**17-year-old
charged with
human trafficking
and possession
of child porn**



**VICTIM OR
TRAFFICKER?**

Victim

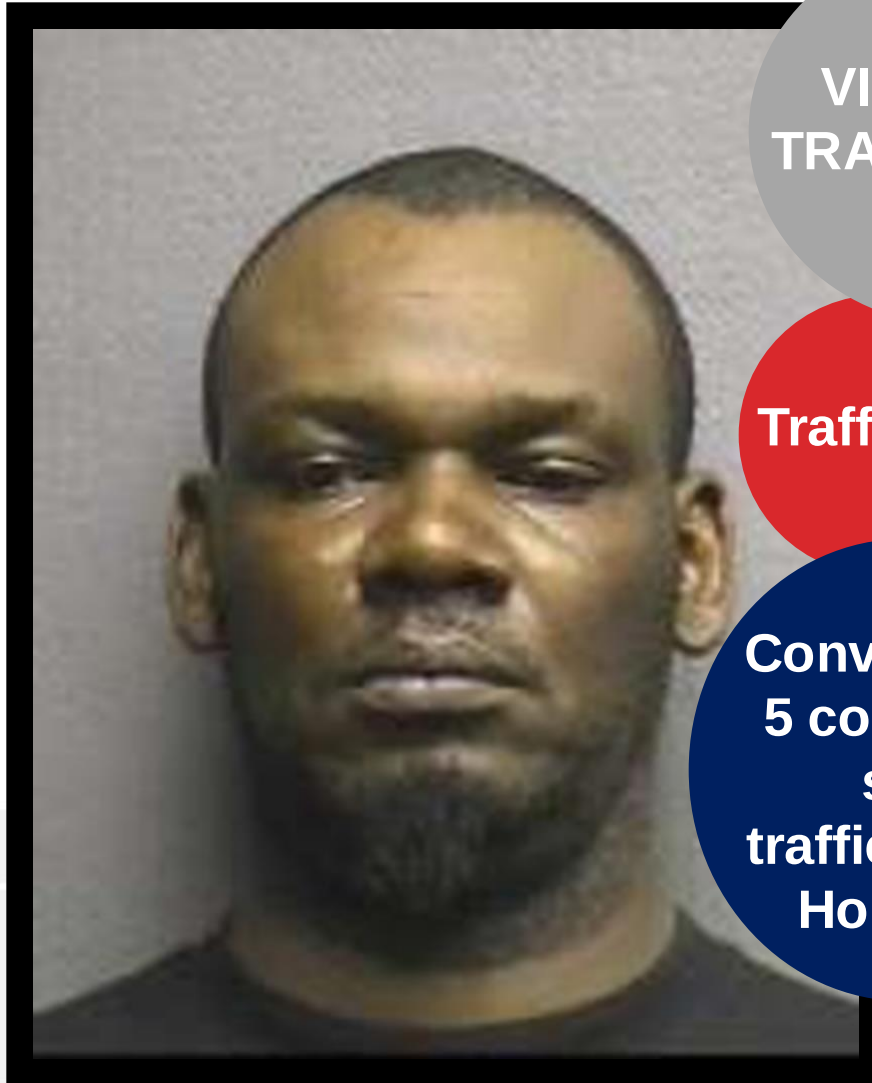
**Katy High
School Student
trafficked by her
older boyfriend**

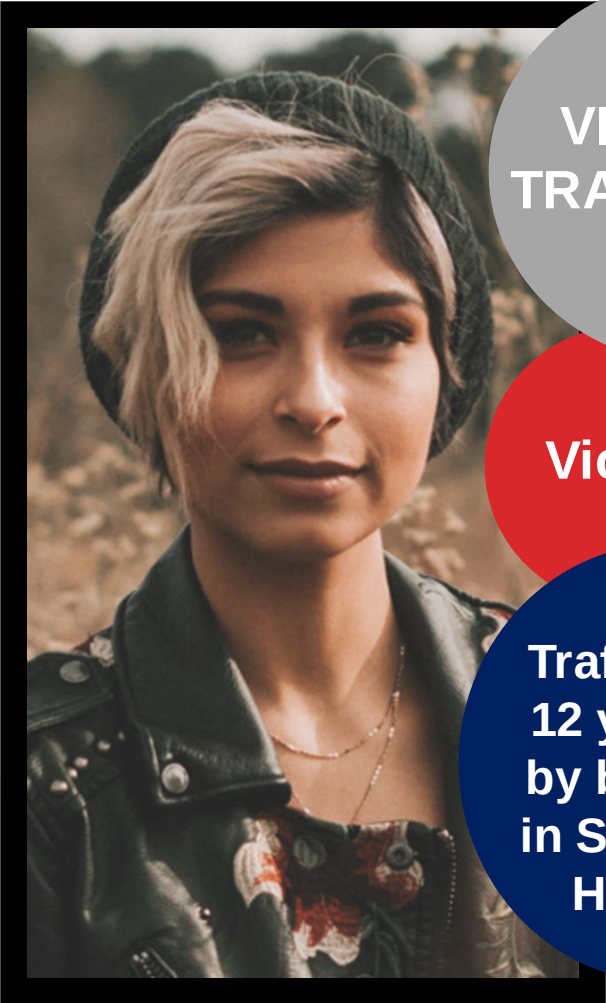


VICTIM OR
TRAFFICKER?

Trafficker

Convicted of
5 counts of
sex
trafficking in
Houston





**VICTIM OR
TRAFFICKER?**

Victim

**Trafficked at
12 years old
by boyfriend
in Southwest
Houston**



**VICTIM OR
TRAFFICKER?**

Trafficker

**Trafficked
a 14-year-
old in
Houston**



INDICATORS OF TRAFFICKING



Sex Trafficking

- Social media usage or internet browsing history related to sexual advertising
- Peer conversations about older boyfriends / girlfriends
- Rumors about someone offering a place where kids can party or live
- Comments about leaving to meet someone they've met online
- Use of street language



Labor or Sex Trafficking

- Truancy or frequent tardiness
- Frequent changes in schools
- Declining grades
- Tiredness throughout day / falling asleep in class regularly
- Changes in usual activities or friends; hobbies, demeanor, or economic circumstances

INDICATORS OF TRAFFICKING



Sex Trafficking

- Victim has an older boyfriend or girlfriend – likely appears fearful
- Uses advanced sexual terms
- Victim has low self esteem
- Young age with high number of partners
- Distrustful of law enforcement, disrespectful or indifferent towards authority



Labor or Sex Trafficking

- Victim avoids eye contact
- Fear of social interaction, signs of anxiety, depression or nervousness
- Truancy, runaway, homelessness
- Frequent travel
- Scripted answers of inconsistent stories of work, injuries, whereabouts, home life

INDICATORS OF TRAFFICKING



Sex Trafficking

- Branding tattoos, barcode designs, or any symbol representing the pimp
- Gifts from unknown sources
- Motel keys/cards in the victim's possession
- Large amounts of cash (Venmo, cashapp)
- New or pre-paid cell phones



Labor or Sex Trafficking

- Malnourishment
- Lacerations, carvings, bruising from beatings, injuries in less visible places, burns
- STD/STI
- Pregnancy or history
- Bald spots, rotting teeth, indicators of poor health

PREVENTION

Awareness



Keep your social media and game accounts private

Turn off location on social media, games and camera

Do not post your troubles/frustrations online



Do not ask for help online



Trust your gut instincts



REPORT!



If you are in immediate danger, please call 911.



Contact the Crime Stoppers Tip Line at 713-222-TIPS (8477) or the mobile app.



Contact the National Human Trafficking Hotline directly at 1-888-373-7888 if you have concerns about a potential trafficking situation.



TAKEAWAYS

Never stop advocating for yourself.



If you suspect someone else is in danger, tell a trusted adult.

Lookout for people you care about.



Report to the appropriate authorities/agencies.



