HUMAN TRAFFICKING, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND SEXUAL ASSAULT

Survivors of human trafficking are often survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. It is important to recognize the overlapping and intertwined nature of all three.

A history of trauma, such as domestic violence, sexual assault, and child abuse leave survivors psychologically vulnerable to trafficking.

Fear of being blamed for their situation and, as a result, being ostracized or shut-out from their communities keeps many survivors from reporting their situation to law enforcement.

NC is here to help
SEE NC is a project of the NC Council for Women & Youth Involvement created to empower communities to identify and provide services to survivors of human trafficking. For more information visit: ncadmin.nc.gov/human-trafficking

Sources: Human Rights Watch, NNEDV, NCDSV, NCCFWYI

1 in 4 women and 1 in 6 men will be sexually assaulted before the age of 18.

75-90% of girls 13-18 involved in commercial sexual exploitation had previously experienced physical or sexual abuse.

390 human trafficking survivors were served by domestic violence/sexual assault agencies in North Carolina in 2020.

80% of female migrant farmworkers reported having experienced sexual harassment in a study by UC-Santa Cruz

Control
Perpetrators of domestic violence and human trafficking use similar methods to exert power over survivors and create situations of abuse and exploitation.

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PHYSICAL & SEXUAL ABUSE

To report human trafficking, call or text:
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1.888.373.7888
Text “BEFREE” (233733)
Toll-Free Hotline
24/7
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