



## INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY BE VICTIMS OF GROOMING OR SEX TRAFFICKING

## WARNING SIGNS MAY INCLUDE:

- Malnourished or show signs of physical abuse such as burns, marks, bruises or cuts
- Avoid eye contact or not be able to speak for themselves
- Withdrawn, depressed, or distracted
- In small groups and may have similar tattoos
- Appear fearful or anxious
- With older boyfriend, new friends with a different lifestyle or gang affiliations/involvement
- Sharing personal information online
- Interacting with significantly older people online
- Sexualized behavior
- Sudden inappropriately dressed
- Bragging about making or having a lot of money
- In revolving child protection services and/or juvenile court, foster care, runaway, living with friends, or experiencing homelessness

## WHAT TO DO IF YOU SUSPECT SEX TRAFFICKING

- **DO NOT CONFRONT** a suspected trafficker directly or alert a victim to any suspicions
- Write down a physical description (age, race, height, tattoos, scars, identifying characteristics)
- Write down a description of vehicle involved (color, make, model, license plate and state)
- Note the time of day to help authorities search video to identify trafficker and victim(s)
- Immediately after trafficker and victim(s) have left, call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at:

1-888-373-7888 or text 233733

Don't worry about being wrong, report anything that may be human trafficking: Trained advocates at the Hotline are available 24/7 to receive calls.

If perceived in immediate danger

DIAL 911