



## INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAM

Human trafficking — or modern-day slavery — is a global problem where people are illegally bought and sold for forced labor or commercial sex. Traffickers use means such as force, fraud and coercion, including deception, abduction, torture and/or the abuse of power, to prey upon their victims' vulnerabilities — such as their youth, condition of poverty, migration status or dreams of love and opportunity — while profiting from their exploitation. It's a crime of greed and egregious abuse.

Traffickers view men from many professions deemed "transient in nature" as consumers, and they continually move their "goods" along circuits covering multiple states to reach them. These locations often include communities around oil and gas fields, as well as truck stops and hotels along roads and Interstates, and events, including sports or conventions.

Because professional drivers are the eyes and ears of the roadways, they are uniquely positioned to help recognize and report human trafficking. Before TAT, there were only sporadic calls from truckers reporting human trafficking. TAT began in 2009, and since that time, there have been thousands of calls to local law enforcement and the National Human Trafficking Hotline, resulting in hundreds of victims recovered. The trucking industry is critical in this fight, and you can help us mobilize a defensive force of transportation professionals to ensure more victims are recovered and more traffickers are brought to justice.

**TAT is a 501c3** nonprofit that educates, equips, empowers and mobilizes members of key industries and agencies to combat human trafficking. As part of that mission, we provide free, industry-specific, anti-trafficking resources and training materials for the trucking industry. No matter how you deploy training to your workforce, TAT makes implementation of our training materials easy.

As traffickers keep their victims on the move, they are traveling on the same highways and visiting the same truck stops and gas stations as everyone else, creating multiple opportunities for victim identification. Local and in-home delivery drivers are also uniquely positioned to be the eyes and ears of neighborhoods as their routes take them to various homes, apartment complexes and local businesses.

## **Resources and Training Materials**

- A 20-30 minute, sector-specific training video (see below) and wallet card handout
- A free app for drivers that covers red flags to look for and how to report suspected human trafficking
- Awareness posters and window decals for drivers









## Download the TAT app today!

## **Training Methods**

- Play the training video at an in-person safety meeting or orientation class led by your team.
- Add the training course to your company's internal learning management system (LMS) or assign it through one of TAT's existing external LMS partners.
- Owner Operator? Visit education.tatnonprofit.org to take the training!

Work with other industries? We have training specific to transit/school bus drivers and energy-industry workers.