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Labor Trafficking in Wisconsin & the U.S.



Labor trafficking is a modern-day form of slavery in which a person is forced to perform work via force, fraud or coercion



Victims are unable to leave their situation

In Wisconsin, victims are found most often in:



A Hidden Crime: Living in Fear

VICTIMS MAY BE:

- ✓ Living in fear of U.S. authorities
- ✓ Unable to speak English
- ✓ Unfamiliar with surroundings
- ✓ Isolated, guarded or threatened psychologically
- ✓ Required to pay recruitment fees
- ✓ Unaware of their legal rights
- ✓ Culturally isolated



Victims worldwide of labor exploitation; 5.5 million are children



55% are women and girls; 45% are men and boys

Top Industries

Domestic work
Restaurants/foodservice
Peddling rings
Traveling sales crews
Agricultural work
Landscaping



Child care
Housekeeping
Factory work
Massage/spas
Construction
Carnivals
Nail salons

Victims are forced to work
Long Hours with Little or NO Pay



TRAFFICKERS USE VIOLENCE, THREATS, AND LIES; WITHHOLD DOCUMENTS & PAYMENT; CONTROL MOVEMENT OF VICTIMS

"...all people are equal and must be accorded the same freedom and the same dignity. Modern slavery...is a crime against humanity."

--Pope Francis



reported paying a recruitment fee



paid a fee for a job that didn't exist



were not shown a work contract

Request Help / Report Tips

National Human Trafficking Hotline

1-888-3737-888

or text

"Help" to 233733 (BeFree)

Sources:

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