

## What is Human Trafficking?

Human trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery in which victims are subjected to force, fraud or coercion for the purpose of commercial sex, debt bondage, or involuntary labor.

Victims of human trafficking can be young children, teenagers, men and women. They can be US citizens, Lawful Permanent Residents (LPRs), foreign nationals, and they can be found in urban, suburban, and rural areas.

## Yes, Here! Human Trafficking is Happening in Our Region

Rochester Man Sentenced for Sex Trafficking Minors and Adults 22 December 2017

Rochester, NY US Attorney James P. Kennedy, Jr, announced today that Stephen Jones, 30, of Rochester, NY, who was convicted by a federal jury of conspiring to recruit underage girls to commit commercial sex acts, and sex trafficking of minors and adults by force, fraud or coercion, was sentenced to 25 years in prison by US District Judge David G. Larimer.

Assistant US Attorneys Melissa M. Marangola and Craig R. Gestring, who together handled the trial of the case, stated that between 2011 and June 2014, the defendant conspired with others, to target and manipulate seven minor victims and two adult victims, many of whom were at-risk and vulnerable, to engage in prostitution activities. Jones stalked young girls through social media, social services offices, and women's shelters. Victims were promised quick money and drugs, and on other occasions, threatened with violence.

Source: [justice.gov/usao-wdny/pr/rochester-man-sentenced-sex-trafficking-minors-and-adults](http://justice.gov/usao-wdny/pr/rochester-man-sentenced-sex-trafficking-minors-and-adults)

## Who We Are

Members of RRCAHT come from diverse backgrounds and professional experiences, with the common goal of eradicating human trafficking in our communities while developing a coordinated response to the needs of victims.

The Coalition includes individuals and groups who support our mission, such as the Angels of Mercy, Brightstar Community, Inc, Center for Youth, Church Women United, Feminists for Non-Violent Choices, National Council of Jewish Women, Planned Parenthood/RESTORE, Sisters of St Joseph, Stop Abuse Campaign, Worker Justice Center of New York, World Wide Documentaries, and the Vignelli Center for Design Studies at RIT.

## Human Trafficking is a Widespread and Extremely Profitable Crime

- **40 million**  
Estimated number of people trafficked (including forced marriages)
- **\$150 billion**  
Estimated profits generated by human trafficking worldwide
- **18 countries**  
Have not joined the Palermo Protocol around the world

### Sources

- [https://www.unicefusa.org/sites/default/files/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/140118-Blog-EndTrafficking2.jpg?\\_ga=1.124181385.283497568.1457393841](https://www.unicefusa.org/sites/default/files/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/140118-Blog-EndTrafficking2.jpg?_ga=1.124181385.283497568.1457393841)
- [http://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/WCMS\\_574717/lang--en/index.htm](http://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/WCMS_574717/lang--en/index.htm)
- [http://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/WCMS\\_243201/lang--en/index.htm](http://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/WCMS_243201/lang--en/index.htm)
- <https://www.state.gov/j/tip/rls/tiprpt/2018/>

## Please Join Us

### Members may

- Attend monthly Coalition meetings
- Participate in one or more Coalition committees
- Plan and support Coalition initiatives throughout the year, and
- Receive members-only communications and resources

### Additional benefits for RRCAHT members

- Events promotion through our network
- Customized training opportunities
- Professional development and networking opportunities

Please join through our website [www.rrcaht.org](http://www.rrcaht.org) or complete this form.

## RRCAHT Membership for Individuals or Organizations

To join or donate, complete both sides of this form or log on to our website [www.rrcaht.org](http://www.rrcaht.org)

Name of Individual: First, Last

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Name of Agency or Company

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Agency or Company contact person

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Email

Phone

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Street Address

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City

State

Zip

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|-------------|-------------------|--------|
| Membership  | Individual        | \$ 25  |
| Annual Dues | Agency or Company | \$ 100 |
|             | Sponsor           | \$ 500 |

## Membership Application

To join or donate, log on to our website  
[www.rcaht.org/join](http://www.rcaht.org/join)

or enclose a check with this form made out to:  
Rochester Regional Coalition Against  
Human Trafficking and mail to:

**RCAHT**  
**PO Box 10445**  
**Rochester, NY 14610**

You may use my name on the RCAHT website

Yes  No

## Amount Enclosed

|                                    |    |       |
|------------------------------------|----|-------|
| Individual Annual Dues             | \$ | 25    |
| Agency or Organization Annual Dues | \$ | 100   |
| Sponsor                            | \$ | 500   |
| Additional Gift                    | \$ | _____ |
| <b>Total</b>                       | \$ | _____ |

RCAHT is recognized by the IRS as a charitable organization. All membership dues and contributions are eligible for tax deductions.

For a \$500 gift, you can be an RCAHT sponsor. This entitles you to a copy of *Not My Life*, the first film to depict the cruel and dehumanizing practices of human trafficking and modern slavery on a global scale, the participation of an RCAHT member as a discussion leader at a meeting or screening, and recognition on the coalition website.

Funds raised by RCAHT are used exclusively to support our mission initiatives. RCAHT does not want cost to be a deterrent to membership. Please contact us to discuss meeting your needs. [rcaht1@gmail.com](mailto:rcaht1@gmail.com) or call **585 483-0084**

I do not wish to become a member at this time, but I have enclosed a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to support the work of the RCAHT

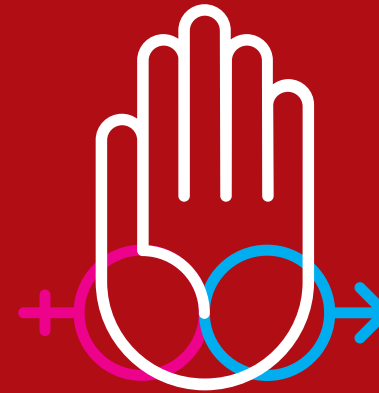
## Trafficking Red Flags Recognize the Signs of Human Trafficking

The individual in question...

- is not free to leave, come, or go as he or she wishes
- is under 18 and is providing commercial sex acts
- is in the commercial sex industry and has a pimp/manager
- is unpaid, paid very little, or paid only with tips
- works excessively long and/or unusual hours
- is not allowed breaks or suffers under unusual restrictions at work
- owes a large debt and is unable to pay it off
- was recruited through false promises concerning the nature and conditions of his or her work
- is in work and/or living locations with high security measures (e.g. opaque windows, boarded up windows, bars on window, barbed wire, security cameras, etc.)
- is fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive, tense, or nervous/paranoid
- exhibits unusually fearful or anxious behavior when law enforcement is brought up
- avoids eye contact
- lacks health care
- appears malnourished
- shows signs of physical and/or sexual abuse, physical restraint, confinement, or torture
- has few or no personal possessions
- is not in control of his or her own money or identification documents (ID or passport)
- has no financial records, or bank account
- is not allowed or able to speak for himself/herself (third party insists on being present or translating)
- claims to be just visiting and is unable to clarify an address or where they are staying
- lacks knowledge of whereabouts and/or does not know what city he or she is in
- has a loss of sense of time
- has numerous inconsistencies in his or her story

The Polaris Project: [www.polarisproject.org](http://www.polarisproject.org)

**AGAINST** Rochester Regional Coalition  
**HUMAN TRAFFICKING**  
Educate  
Advocate  
Liberate



The Rochester Regional Coalition Against Human Trafficking (RCAHT) is dedicated to eliminating human trafficking in our communities through education, advocacy, and networking with individuals and organizations.

**RCAHT**  
**PO Box 10445**  
**Rochester, NY 14610**  
**585 483-0084**

### Emergency Contacts

If you need help or you think you have come into contact with a victim of human trafficking:

**National Human Trafficking Hotline**  
**1 888 373-7888**  
or text **HELP** or **INFO** to **BeFree** (233733)

**Center for Youth 24/7**  
**585 271-7670**

**If you are in immediate danger**  
**call 911**