

# What is Human Trafficking?

## **TRAFFICKING IS...**

to be deceived or taken against your will, bought, sold and transported into slavery for sexual exploitation, sacrificial worship, sale of human organs, farm labor, domestic servitude, to work in sweat shops or circuses, be sold as child brides, or for forced begging.

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where victims usually suffer repeated physical abuse, fear, torture and threats to families to break their spirits and turn them into saleable commodities. A person can be sold and trafficked many times.

## Did you know?

Congress will pass legislation to renew the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA). Every three years, the reauthorization process offers an opportunity for nongovernmental groups to petition Congress to address problems and gaps that have emerged in the legislation.

There are organizations that are fighting against these atrocities. They generally focus on the following goals:

**Victim Relief**

**Perpetrator Accountability**

**Victim Aftercare**

**Structural Prevention**

## Learn more by watching these movies...

### *Call and Response*

Musician and first-time filmmaker Justin Dillon energetically combines studio performances—including Hasidic reggae rapper Matisyahu, pop star Natasha Bedingfield and bluegrass performers from Nickel Creek—and interviews with activists and, of course, activist actors. But Julia Ormond and Ashley Judd are articulate town criers, and their reporting of victims' accounts heard firsthand is some of the most vivid and affecting.

### *Freedom and Beyond* Peggy Callahan

Freedom and Beyond is ultimately a story of hope and promise but it begins with voices of boys recently freed from slavery in northern India. Freedom & Beyond offers ideas for grassroots activists, researchers, foundations and international organizations who want to reach out effectively to people in slavery.

<http://freetheslaves.net/store/freedom-and-beyond/>

### *Dreams Die Hard* Peggy Callahan

Maria was enslaved as a domestic servant and victim of sexual exploitation in southern California. "Miguel" was enslaved in Florida, where his captor used violence to force him and many others to harvest tomatoes. Christy and Rose were enslaved in Maryland, where they worked as domestic servants after being taken from their native Cameroon. Ultimately, the stories told in this Free the Slaves film highlight these survivors' passion for freedom and justice, not just for themselves, but also for victims of slavery worldwide.

<http://freetheslaves.net/store/dreams-die-hard/>

Visit us at <http://www.clubs.psu.edu/up/pscg/index.html>

*The Silent Revolution* Peggy Callahan

The Silent Revolution follows a group of stone-breakers as they challenge the slaveholders, are burned out of their homes by the slaveholder's thugs, are imprisoned and finally win the right to run their own quarry and start a new village. Now, as they struggle to survive in freedom, they are sending their children to school, replanting the forests, and beginning to hope for a life beyond stone-breaking.

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*Sex Slaves* PBS Frontline

An undercover journey deep into the world of sex trafficking, following one man determined to rescue his wife -- kidnapped and sold into the global sex trade.

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/slaves/>

*TRADE*

Film about two different girls from very different backgrounds who are both sold into prostitution and the sex slave industry. <http://movies.yahoo.com/movie/1809420398/info>

*Not for Sale* <http://www.notforsalecampaign.org/Trailer01.aspx>

The International Association of Chiefs of Police video training segments provide an excellent introduction to human trafficking. <http://www.theiacp.org/research/VAWPoliceResponse.html>

*Amazing Grace*

Film based on the life of antislavery pioneer William Wilberforce. On his way to a successful political career, Wilberforce, over the course of two decades, took on the English establishment and persuaded those in power to end the inhumane trade of slavery in the British Empire.

<http://www.amazinggracemovie.com/>