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Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children

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Definition of Trafficking

The Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000 defines “sex trafficking” as the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for a commercial sex act or in which the person induced to perform such as act is under 18 years of age.

ACTS

Recruitment
Transport
Transfer
Harbouring
Receipt of persons

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MEANS

Threat or use of force
Coercion
Abduction
Fraud
Deception
Abuse of power
or vulnerability
Giving payments
or benefits

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PURPOSE

Exploitation including:
Prostitution of others
Sexual exploitation
Forced labour
Slavery or similar practices
Removal of organs
Other types of exploitation

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HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Definitions

Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking (DMST). Commercial sexual exploitation of American children within US Borders

Trafficker/Pimp. Anyone who receives money or something of value for the sexual exploitation of another person.

Victim. Any child under 18 or person of any age who is forced, coerced or defrauded into a situation where he or she provides sex acts for something of value.

Definitions

Facilitator. Any business or person that assists or benefits from a pimp's criminal activities. For example taxi drivers, hotels, property owners, online classified ads.

Buyer. Anyone who pays for or trades something of value for sex.

Bottom. Female victim who has a position of authority over other victims. The "manager" who teaches them the rules of "The Game."

Definitions

Child Prostitute. Consenting, promiscuous children who choose to engage in sexual behaviors with adults?

THERE IS NO SUCH THING
AS A CHILD PROSTITUTE



How does this happen?

- Survival Sex
 - Basic needs
- Pimp
 - Romeo, Guerilla, Business/CEO
- Gangs
 - Initiation
- Familial
 - Parent sells child

Exploiters Increasingly Use Technology to Lure, Groom and Exploit

“Predators spend entire days trolling Facebook, looking for girls who post about fighting with their parents or feeling left out of school.”



Photographic reenactments by Daniel Bedell

Washingtonian Magazine, June 2013

Youth are recruited by seduction or coercion. Often begins on-line.

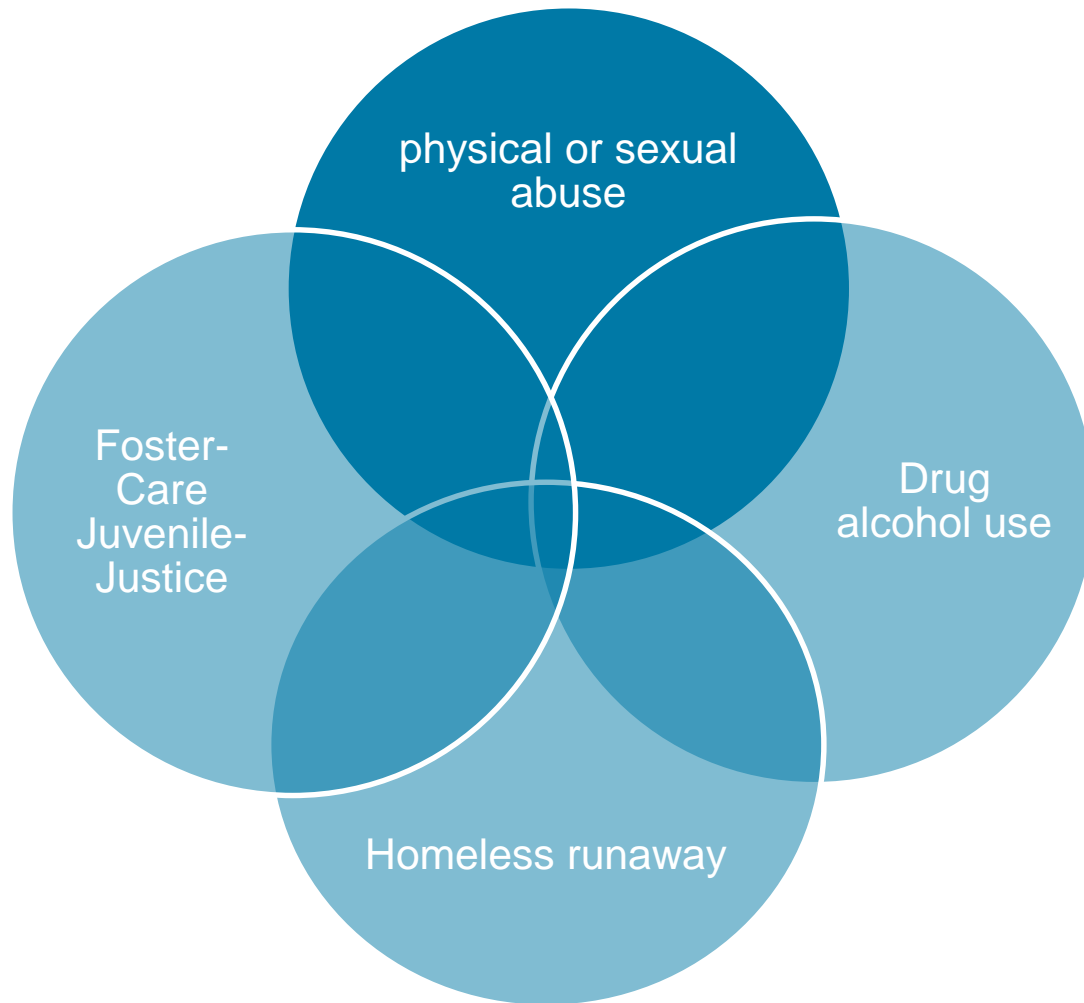
-Blackmailing with photos or Sexting



Common Characteristics

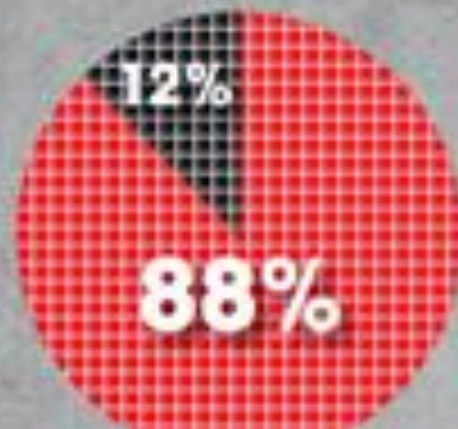
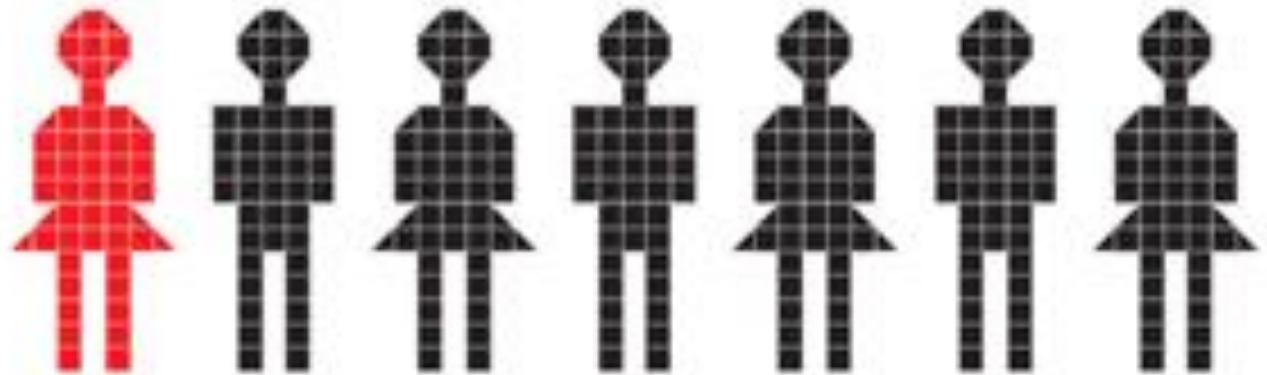
- Low self esteem
- History of physical abuse
- History of sexual abuse
- Runaway episodes
- Drug abuse
- Troubled/dysfunctional families

Most Vulnerable



CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING

Of the nearly 25,000 runaways reported to NCMEC in 2017, **one in seven** were likely victims of child sex trafficking.



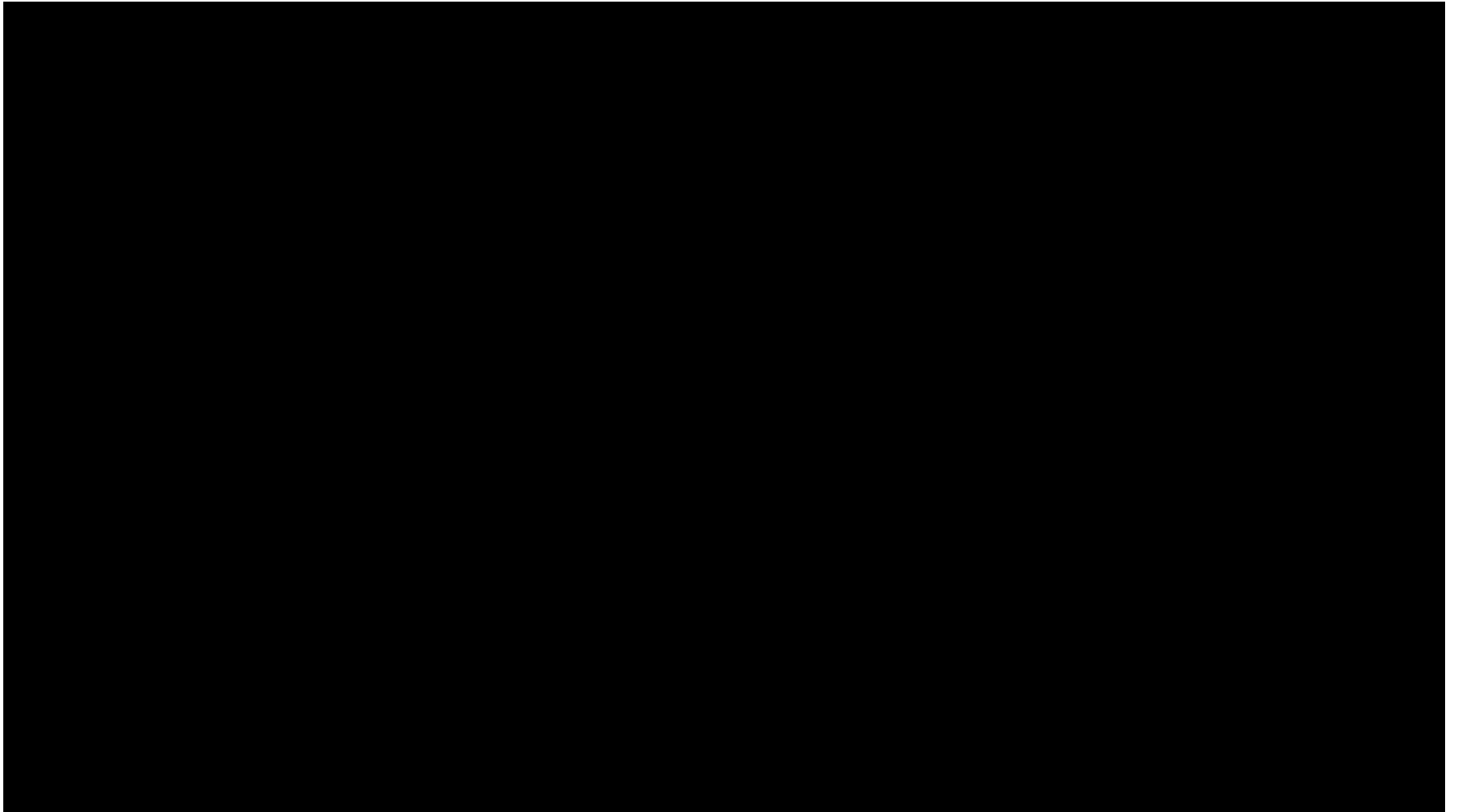
Of those, **88 percent** were in the care of social services when they went missing.

Missing Texas Children in DFPS Custody Reported to NCMEC

Year	Missing from Care	Possible Involvement in Child Sex Trafficking
2012	14	31
2013	53	61
2014	143	105
2015	526	175
Total	793	428

The Making of a Girl

Rachel Lloyd, founder of Girls Educational and Mentoring Services



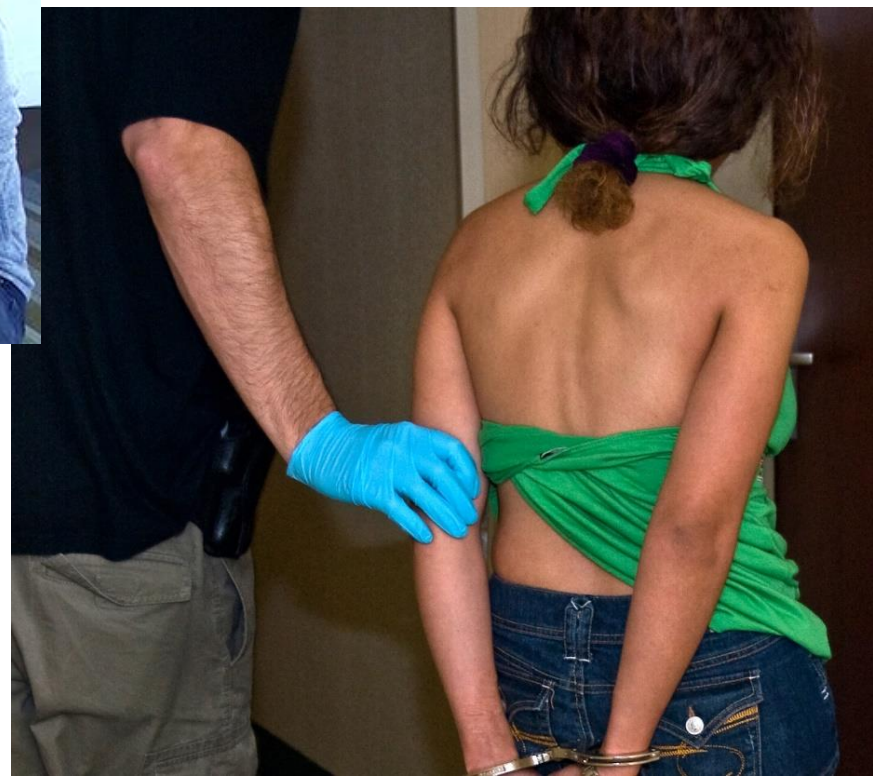
Warning Signs

- Appears submissive or fearful
- Injuries
- Branding, scarring, tattoos
- Signs of malnourishment
- Influenced by drugs or alcohol
- In a relationship with a much older individual
- Unexplained shopping trips or possessions
- Social media and/or classified ads with sexual online profile

Perceptions of the Sex Trafficking Victim Rescue



Realities of Sex Trafficking Victim Rescue



Perceptions of Survivors in Treatment



Reality of Survivors in Treatment



What do you do?

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