## Know the Signs of Trafficking



## **Common Red Flags**

- They live where they work or are transported by guards between home and workplace
- They are children who live with or are supported by or dependent on a family member with a substance abuse problem or who is abusive in other ways
- They have an older, or simply controlling parent, guardian, romantic partner or "sponsor" who will not allow you to meet or speak with the person alone or monitors their movements, spending and/or communications
- Feel pressured by their employer to stay in a job or situation they want to leave
- Owe money to an employer or recruiter and/or not being paid what they were promised or are owed
- Do not have control of their passport or other identity documents
- Are living and working in isolated conditions, largely cut off from interaction with others or support systems
- Are living in dangerous, overcrowded or inhumane conditions provided by an employer
- Are being threatened by their boss with deportation or other harm

## Common Venues for Labor Trafficking

- Domestic Work
- Hotel & Restaurant Service
- Manufacturing
- Agriculture
- Health & Beauty Services
- Forced Peddling
- Forced Selling and/or Cultivation of Drugs

## Common Venues for Sex Trafficking

- Spas and Massage Parlors
- Residential or Commercial Brothels
- Escort Companies
- Exotic Dancing/Strip Joints
- Pornography
- Truck Stops

Sources: The Polaris Project; Coalition to Abolish Slavery & Trafficking