

~On The Lookout~

*Combating Human Trafficking
Through the Bus Industry*



A close-up photograph of a human hand, palm facing up, with three thin, dark strings tied to the index, middle, and ring fingers. Each string hangs down to a small, glowing white icon of a person. From left to right, the icons are a woman, a man, and a woman. The background is a soft, out-of-focus grey with a warm light source creating a lens flare effect behind the figures. A horizontal bar, black on the left and blue on the right, is positioned across the middle of the image, partially obscuring the hand and the top of the text area.

Human Trafficking

The exploitation of human beings through force, fraud or coercion, for the purpose of **commercial sex or forced labor**, when a third party is making a profit.

It is modern day slavery.

Smuggling vs. Trafficking

Crime against a

BORDER VS

Crime against a

PERSON



Myth #1: We live in a slave free world



Scope of Trafficking

There are **40 million** victims of human trafficking globally.

SOURCE:
International Labor Organization



Scope of Trafficking

Human trafficking is a
\$150 billion industry.

SOURCE:
International Labor Organization



Scope of Trafficking



SOURCE:
National Human Trafficking Hotline

Scope of Trafficking

1 in 6 runaways are
at risk of being trafficked.

SOURCE:
National Center for Missing
and Exploited Children



Scope of Trafficking

A victim may be forced to have sex up to **20 times** a day.

SOURCE:
Polaris



Myth #2: All traffickers look like TV pimps



Who Are Traffickers

AMBER
PARKER

MEXIA TEACHER CHARGED WITH HUMAN TRAFFICKING



kcentv.com



Five arrested on suspicion of running sex trafficking ring

Five people were arrested on suspicion of running a San Gabriel Valley-based sex trafficking ring that operated from San Diego to Fresno, authorities said Tuesday.

LATIMES.COM | BY LOS ANGELES TIMES

Foreign diplomats accused of human trafficking, assault in US

Nick O'Walley



Devyani Khobragade, India's deputy consul general, has been accused of underpaying a domestic worker she brought to the US from India. Photo: Reuters



FOXCAROLINA.COM

Army veteran convicted for running North Carolina sex trafficking organization



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2 men charged with sex trafficking, assault

Two men, one from Montgomery County and one from Chester County, face sex trafficking, child pornography, and sex assault charges, officials say.

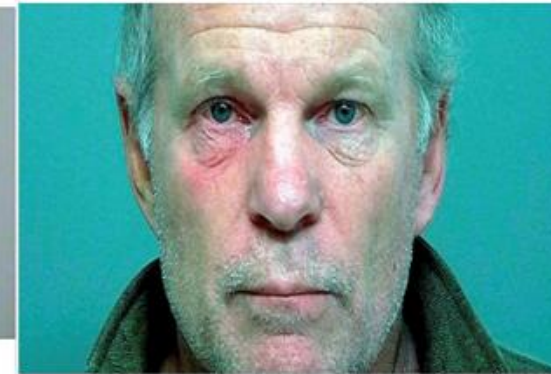
6ABC.COM



Four charged in prostitution 'sting' at Bend hotels

Four people were arrested or cited Thursday in a sting operation targeting prostitution at several Bend hotels, with police saying one 19-year-old woman had been a victim of sex trafficking since she was 13.

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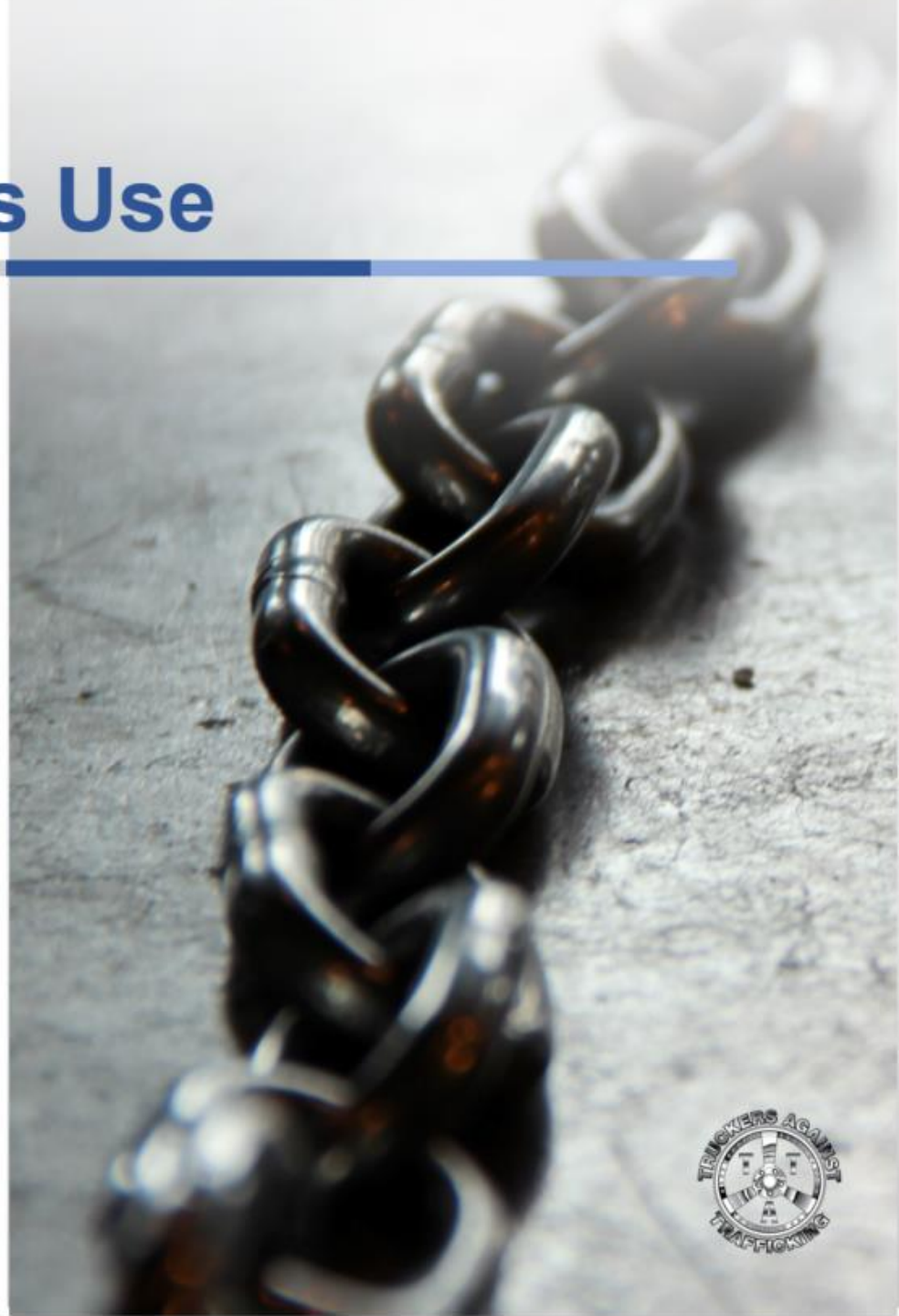


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Former Everett firefighter gets 15 years for sex trafficking | HeraldNet.com

Means Traffickers Use

- Force
- Fraud
- Coercion



Myth #3: It doesn't happen in my hometown

For "Taylor," it all began outside a bus station in downtown Dallas three years ago. She was 15 at the time, and running away from home.

MORE DETAILS ON BIBB TRAFFICKING CASE

FORECAST FIRST BATTLING TICKS CLOSING BELL

More details on Bibb County sex trafficking case

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A battleground for trafficking

Sex trafficking ravaging Missouri communities, families

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Actions & reactions: Times sex trafficking series gets community talking

What Louisiana needs to fight sex trafficking

Victim: I was 4 when my dad started trafficking me

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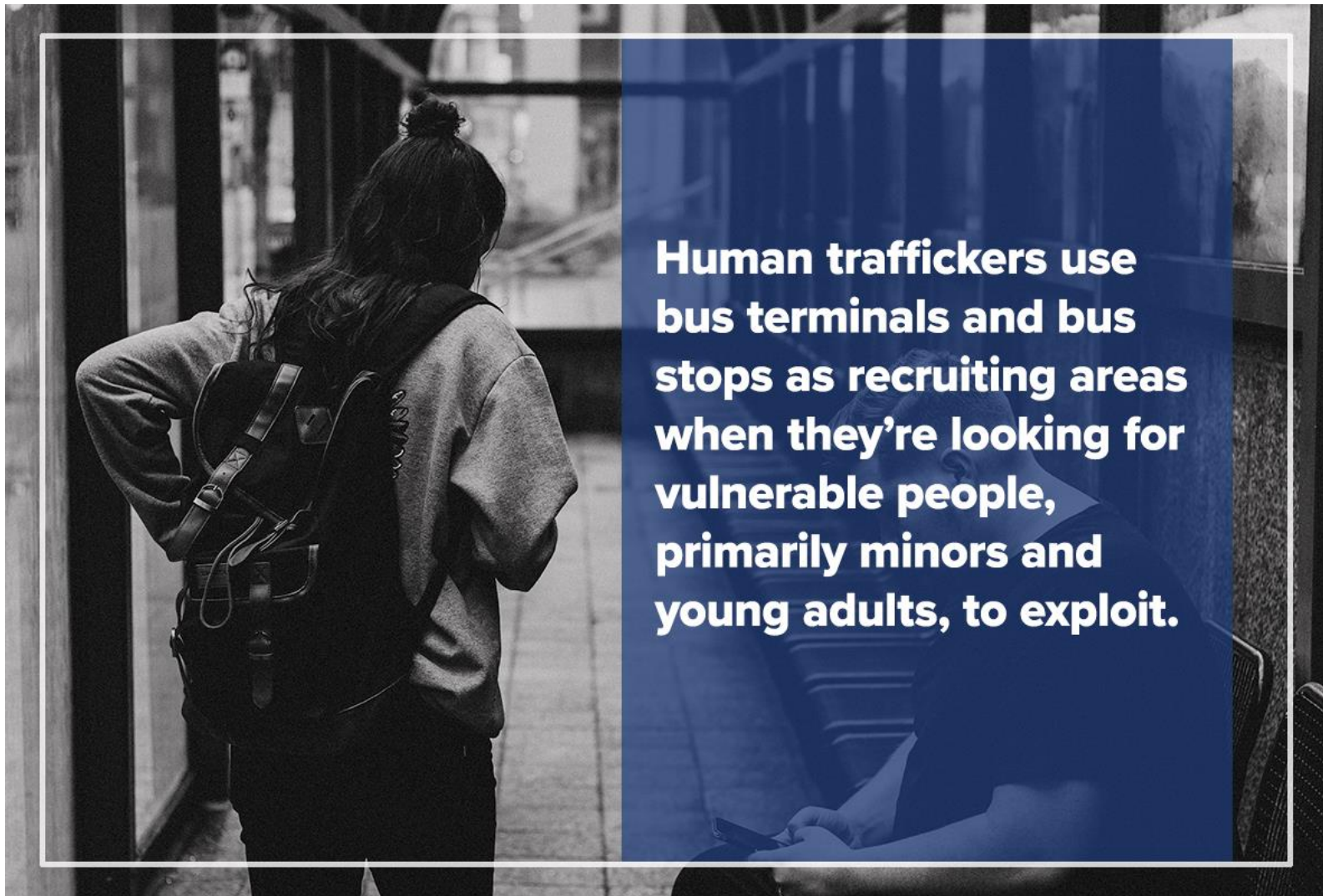
Human trafficker guilty of eight felonies

By Scott Sandlin / Journal Staff Writer
Friday, April 24th, 2015 at 12:05am

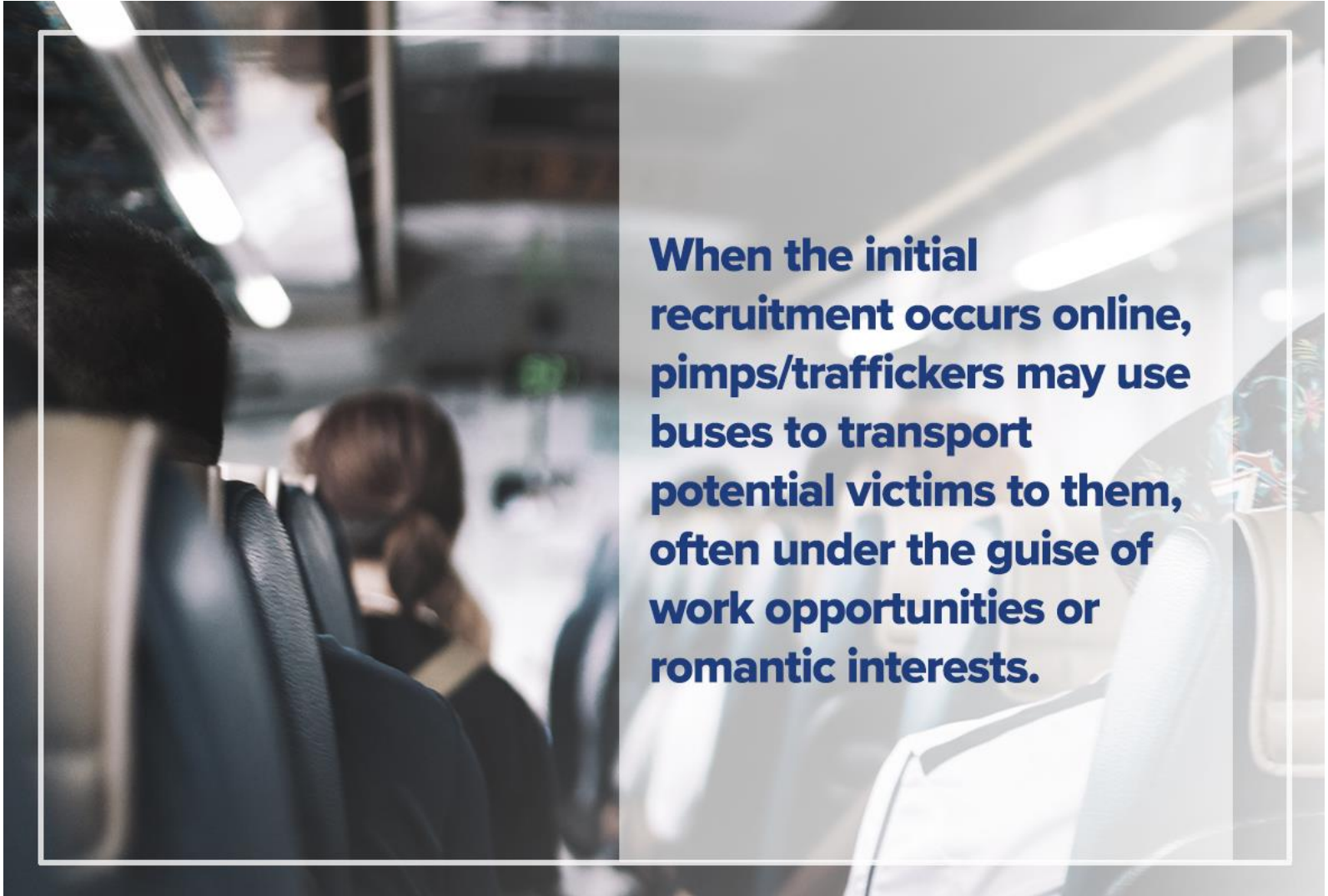
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Man charged in Oakland sex assault, human trafficking case

Buses & Trafficking: Intersections



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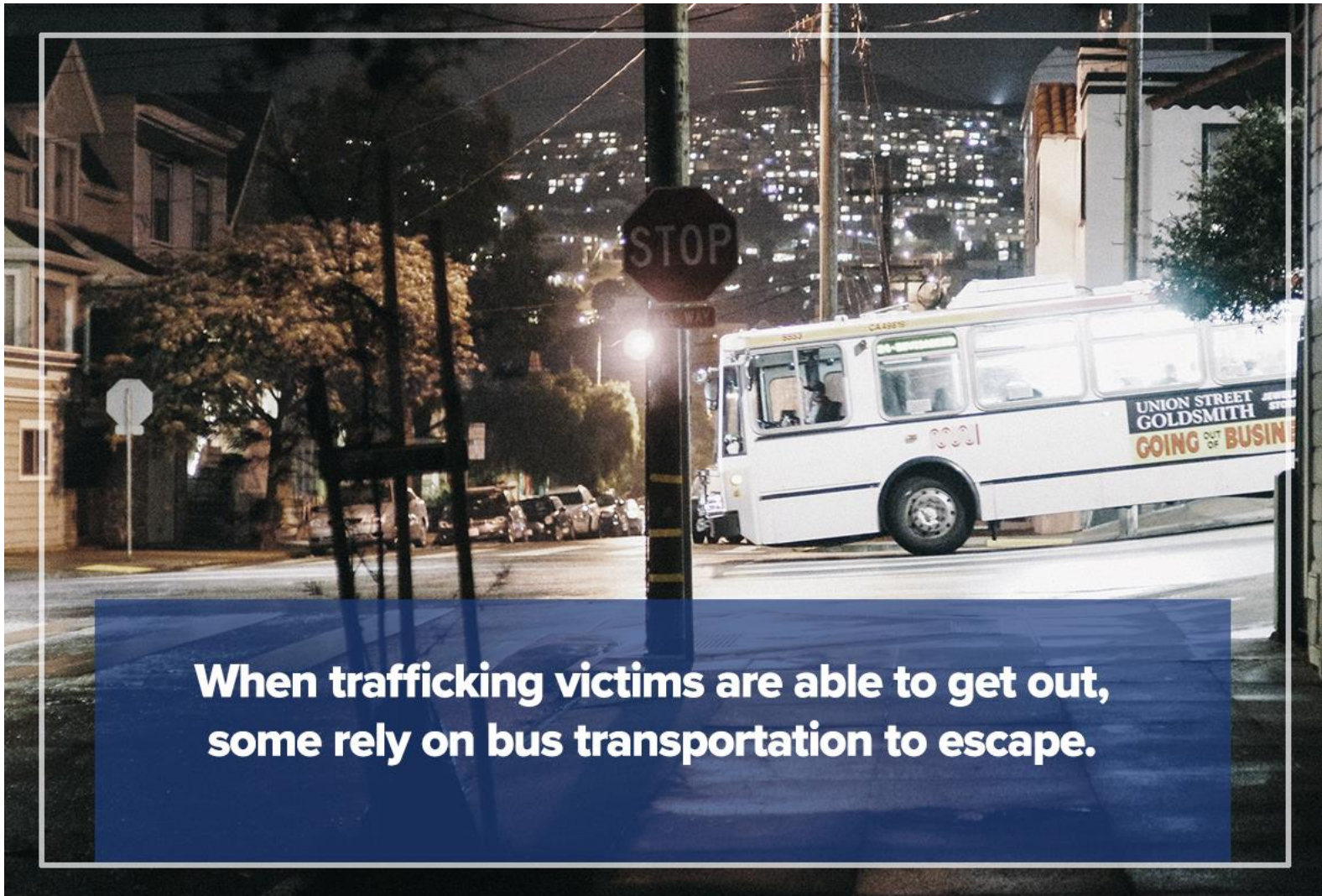
When the initial recruitment occurs online, pimps/traffickers may use buses to transport potential victims to them, often under the guise of work opportunities or romantic interests.

Buses & Trafficking: Intersections



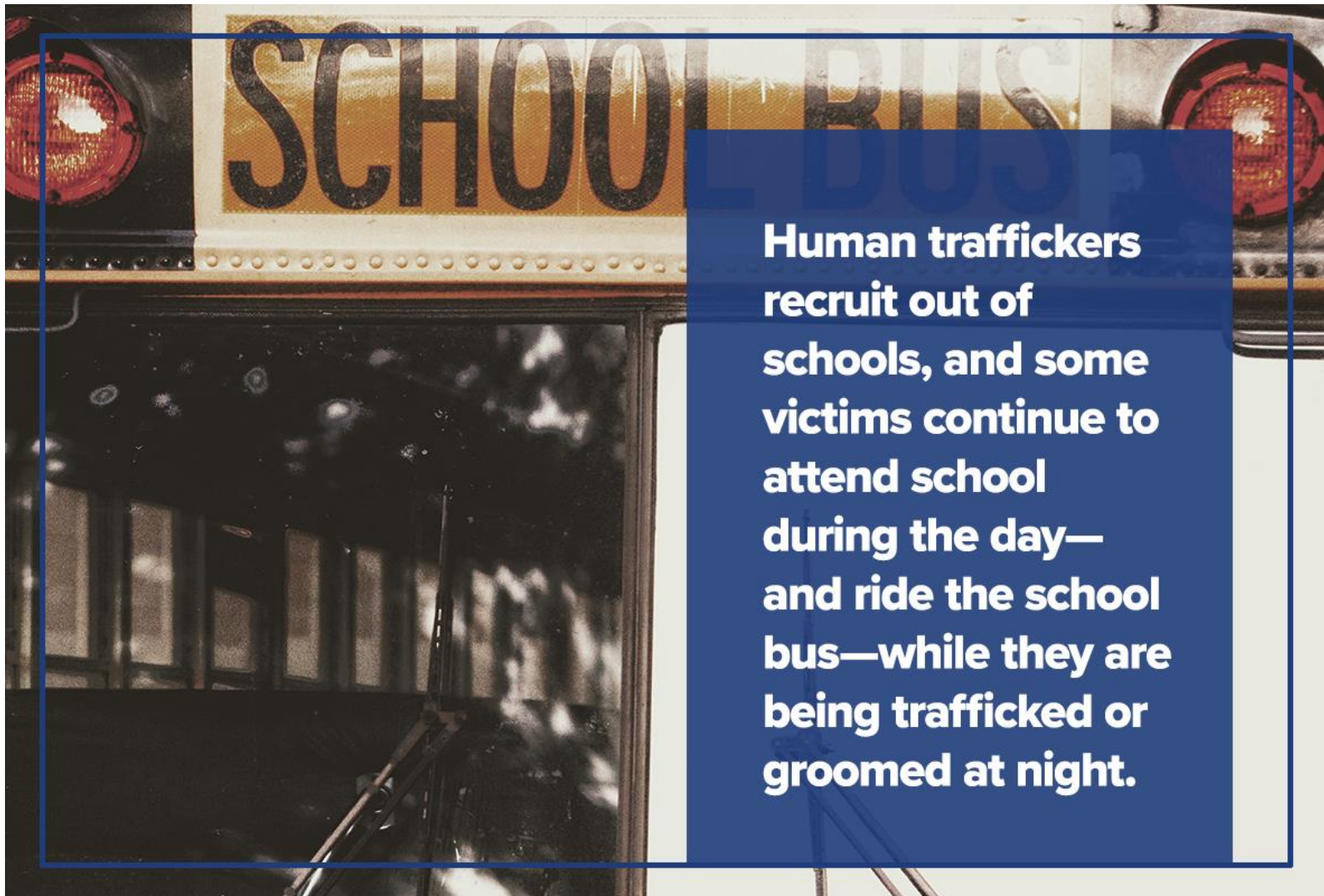
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they'll be sold.**

Buses & Trafficking: Intersections



When trafficking victims are able to get out, some rely on bus transportation to escape.

Buses & Trafficking: Intersections



Human traffickers recruit out of schools, and some victims continue to attend school during the day—and ride the school bus—while they are being trafficked or groomed at night.

Buses & Trafficking: Intersections



Make the Call, Save Lives

**Make the Call,
Save Lives.**

1-888-373-888 (US)
1-800-222-TIPS (Canada)
01800-5533-000 (Mexico)
Text INFO or HELP to BeFree (233733)
www.truckersagainsttrafficking.org

**BUSING ON THE
LOOKOUT (B.O.T.L.)**

When building an army to fight a crime like human trafficking, members of the bus industry immediately come to mind as professionals with a key role to fill, primarily due to the actions of human traffickers themselves:

1. Human traffickers use bus terminals and bus stops as recruiting areas when they're looking for vulnerable people, primarily minors and young adults, to exploit.
2. Human traffickers often use busing to transport their victims to locations where they'll be sold.
3. Human traffickers are counting on busing employees to be ignorant of the signs to look for and the questions to ask which would help to spot victims in transit.

Additionally, the diversity of the busing industry itself, from touring/travel buses to metro buses, rapid transit and public transportation to school buses and other private bus lines, including charters, provides multiple ways for human trafficking victims to travel, whether they're going cross country or just across town, whether they're still in school or a bit older, whether they're in a group, with a trafficker or traveling alone.

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<http://www.truckersagainsttrafficking.org/bus-training/>



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Report by Email: help@humantraffickinghotline.org

Warning: Please do not approach traffickers. Call the hotline, and if instructed, the local police (911). Allow law enforcement to deal with traffickers and recover victims. Approaching traffickers is not only dangerous for you and their victims but could lead to problems in the eventual prosecution of traffickers. Also, please notify dispatch or your manager of the suspicious activity.

For more information on combating human trafficking,
go to truckersagainsttrafficking.org.



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Case Study



TAT BY THE NUMBERS



2,250+

CALLS MADE TO
THE NATIONAL HOTLINE
BY TRUCKERS ALONE



612 LIKELY
HUMAN TRAFFICKING
CASES IDENTIFIED

INVOLVING
1,133
TRAFFICKING
VICTIMS

700,282+
TAT TRAINED
PERSONS

Clearly this partnership
with TAT and Polaris is
working well, and it is
showing the critical role
that truckers play.

- Bradley Myles, CEO, Polaris



BOTL Partners & Promoters



100,000+

bus industry employees trained or committed to being trained.

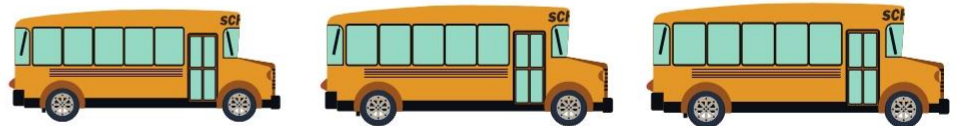
Companies

62 bus companies (commercial and school) have trained or are committed to training.



School Buses

partners in 22 states promoting, committed to using or using BOTL materials.



Transit

agencies in 10 states using BOTL training.

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BOTL BEST PRACTICES



Displays BOTL posters in terminals or on buses



Advocates on BOTL's behalf with customers, clients, partners, employees, etc.



BOTL trains (and registers) employees

Partners with BOTL on a cause related marketing campaign



Adopts anti-trafficking in persons policies



Provides speaking platforms for the BOTL message



Engages leadership

Hosts a Freedom Drivers Project event



Leverages multiple streams of support from within the organization

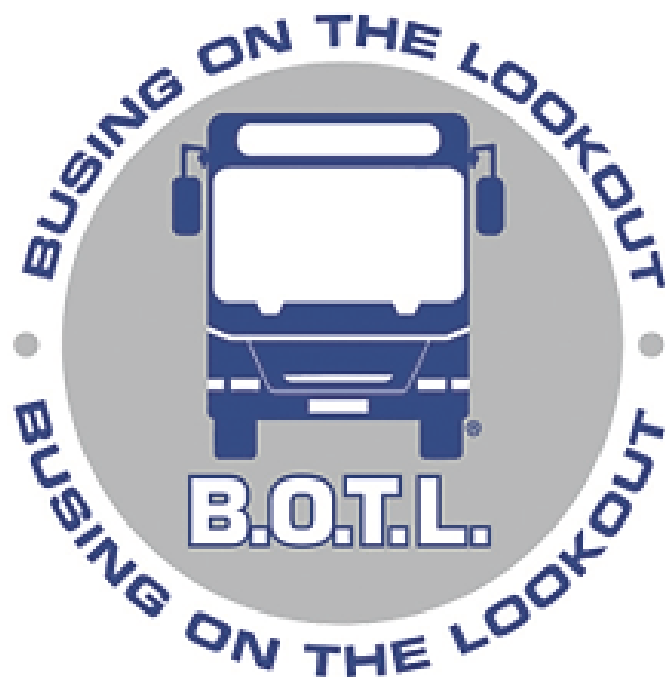


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