



SEX TRAFFICKING IN HOTELS

Traffickers use hotels to apply their trade and are very transient. This enables them to avoid detection of law enforcement and also allows them to isolate the victims from their friends and families.

The ability to pay for rooms in cash or to change rooms or hotel locations on a nightly basis can make it easy for pimps and traffickers to avoid detection

Eliminating hotels as a venue for traffickers to operate, can help disrupt traffickers' business and significantly disrupt and dismantle trafficking rings.



CONSEQUENCES OF Staying Silent

Why should you report?

IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO!

You might be the last person to save this victim's life
from a horrific situation that might result in
serious injury and sometimes death



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YOU CAN PREVENT:

1. Further victimization of young females
2. Offenders committing criminal acts in hotels
3. Potential damage to hotel rooms
4. Home-invasion-style robberies being committed against female victims in hotel rooms with firearms and other weapons
5. Serious risk to other hotel patrons due to criminal activity
6. Civil liability due to injuries caused by criminal activity
7. Loss of reputation to the general public that will affect their hotel revenue



**HOW CAN YOU MAKE A
DIFFERENCE?**



HOW YOU CAN HELP FRONT DESK STAFF

AT CHECK-IN – Characteristics of Human Trafficking

Look for:

- Pays with cash; checks in for several days or a week
- An older man or woman checks in with a younger female
- Female appears dazed or distant from their companion or pimp who stands away from area
- Doesn't have any ID or their companion has their identification
- Appearance is not indicative of young person's age (make-up, expensive clothing, nails done etc.)
- Asks for room with view of parking lot or far away from main entrance
- Persons checking-in appears to have very little luggage with them

Please keep in mind that the presence of just one of these indicators does not immediately mean that Human Trafficking is occurring.



HOW YOU CAN HELP HOTEL SECURITY

DURING THEIR STAY – Characteristics of Human Trafficking

Look for:

- Guest who checks in to a room alone and later moves others in the room
- Guest who checks in for a room but doesn't appear to be staying there themselves
- Many male visitors coming and going from the room(s)
- Congregation of males outside the room(s) or in the parking lot
- Reports of excessive noise, telephone/music on throughout the entire day

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HOW YOU CAN HELP HOTEL HOUSEKEEPERS

DURING THEIR STAY – Characteristics of Human Trafficking

Look for:

- Rooms where guests decline cleaning services for extended periods of time
- Constant 'DO NOT DISTURB' sign on the door
- Major demand for towels/new bedding
- (Large quantity of) used condoms in the bin
- (Large quantity of) computers or cell phones in the room

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HOW YOU CAN HELP RESTAURANT AND BAR

DURING THEIR STAY – Characteristics of Human Trafficking

Look for:

- Entertaining minor at bar that he did not come in with
- Requesting information about adult services
- Individuals asking staff or patrons for food or money
- Anxious or nervous behaviour and avoiding contact with staff
- Soliciting male customers
- Waiting at a table or bar and picked up by a male
- Taking cash or receipts left on tables
- No identification, cell phones, or money of their own

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**IF YOU BELIEVE HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS OCCURING,
WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?**



Just imagine if you don't do anything!

REPORTING AND RESPONSE

Internal Procedure for all employees to follow when Human Trafficking is suspected which must include:

1. Immediately advise the manager of all information – DO NOT confront victim or offender
2. The manager and/or security will call 911
3. Once police are on scene, report all details of occurrence
(Under the Trespass to Property Act, hotel staff are legally entitled to evict any hotel guests contravening their code of conduct)

REPORTING AND RESPONSE

Owners and Hotel Managers with final responsibility for safety matters in their hotel must pay close attention to the following:

1. Take every notification seriously and contact the police if in doubt.
2. Check/Monitor the hotel room with a suspicious situation for the signs of human trafficking.
3. If you feel the situation is suspicious after monitoring it and you suspect there is a case of human trafficking, please contact 911.

OBJECTIVE

1. Prevent further victimization
2. Prevent criminal activity occurring in hotels
3. Protect hotel guests and staff
4. Protect reputation of hotel
5. Create a partnership between the police and local hotels

A close-up photograph of a door handle and a 'Do Not Disturb' sign. The sign is dark red with white text in three languages: German ('BITTE NICHT STÖREN'), English ('PLEASE DO NOT DISTURB'), and French ('PRIÈRE DE NE PAS DÉRANGER'). The background is blurred, showing a window with blinds.

TPS CONTACT INFORMATION

For Emergency – Call 911

Toronto Police Service – (416)-808-2222

Human Trafficking Enforcement Team – (416)-808-7474

SexCrimes@torontopolice.on.ca

OTHER CONTACTS IN ONTARIO

PLEASE DO NOT
DISTURB

PRIÈRE DE
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For Emergency – Call 911

Barrie Police	(705) 725-7025	OPP	(519) 615-0406
Belleville Police	(613) 966-0882	Ottawa Police	(613) 236-1222
Brockville Police	(613) 342-0127	Peel Police	(905) 453-2121
Cobourg Police	(905) 372-6821	Peterborough Police	(705) 876-1122
Durham Police	(905) 579-1520	Port Hope	(905) 885-8123
Guelph Police	(519) 824-1212 x 7203	RCMP	(613) 843-4948
Halton Police	(905) 825-4747 x 8723	Sudbury Police	(705) 675-9171
Hamilton Police	(905) 546-4925	Thunder Bay Police	(807) 684-1200
Kingston Police	(613) 549-4660	Waterloo Police	(519) 653-7700
London Police	(519) 661-5670	Waterloo Police	(519) 258-6111
Niagara Police	(905) 688-4111 x 4282	York Police	(905) 758-5581