
IMPD VICE-HUMAN TRAFFICKING

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Human Trafficking

The illegal trade of humans for the purposes of forced labor, sexual exploitation, and other forms of modern slavery.

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Human trafficking is a significant issue affecting communities across the United States, including Indiana.

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An estimated 24.9 million victims globally are impacted. With sex trafficking and labor trafficking leading statistically.

The demographics include men, women, and children, with a significant number of cases involving U. S. citizens.

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Indiana reports hundreds of human trafficking cases annually, with a notable increase every year.

Are we more aware of it?

Vulnerable populations include runaway and homeless youth, migrant laborers, and individuals with a history of abuse or addiction.

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IMPD is part of a Task Force.

IPATH-Indiana Protection for Abused and Trafficked Humans

Indiana has enacted laws to increase penalties for traffickers and assist with providing support for victims.

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**Urban and rural communities are both affected.
Some challenges are enforcement due to lack of funding,
support, and simply not being able to identify it.**

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Community Efforts:

Crime Stoppers

IMPD Victim Assistance program. (V.A.)

Non-profits and other organizations like Ascent 121, and Grit into Grace.

They provide critical services for law enforcement. Such as housing, medical assistance, financial assistance and education.

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On going Efforts: Continued collaboration between federal, state, and local authorities is essential.

These collaborations include working with the IMPD-Indiana Crimes Against Children Unit (ICAC) and receiving tips from The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.(NCMEC)

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The focus is on the public and electronic service providers to make notice of suspected online enticement of children for sexual acts, child sexual molestation, child pornography, and child sex trafficking.

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Unit Statistics and Wins.(2023)

67 Total arrests, which include state and federal.

25 Search warrants served.

50 Crime stopper tips received/worked

46 UC Operations.

94,842 in currency seized.

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Crime Stoppers-Wins

Tip ID: 655-H60261 (2022-2023)

5969 E. 82nd St. (Cozy Spa)

***Human Trafficking**

***Recovered Currency (21k)**

***Vehicle Seized**

***Arrest made (Promoting Prostitution/Prostitution)**

***On going investigation**

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Crime Stoppers-Wins

Tip ID: 655-W61822 (2023)

8515 Cedar Place Indianapolis, IN 46227 (Aloe Spa)

***Human Trafficking(Prostitution-HT Victim recovered)**

***Recovered Currency**

***Summons issued**

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Crime Stoppers-Wins

Tip ID: 655-C69477 (2024)

9546 Allisonville Rd (King Spa)

*Human Trafficking

*Recovered Currency (94k)

*Vehicle Seized

*On going investigation

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Crime Stoppers-Wins

Tip ID: 655-M72409 (2024)

5226 S East St Ste A-1 Indianapolis, IN 46227 (Lavender Spa)

- *Human Trafficking**
 - *Recovered Currency**
 - *Summons issued**
 - *On going investigation**
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Thank you.

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