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2021 Trafficking in Person Report

OFFICE TO MONITOR AND COMBAT TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

Quote from U.S. Secretary of State, Anthony J. Blinken

"Systemic discrimination creates inequities between communities, whether the discrimination targets perceptions of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation and gender identity, or any other social identities. It manifests in societal exclusion and prejudices against those communities, which help perpetuate an imbalance of opportunity and support. These inequities undercut our goal of combating human trafficking and embolden traffickers. We have seen, for instance, how deeply held racial biases and stereotypes inappropriately influence outcomes for those in our criminal justice system as they lead to racially disparate assumptions about who is identified as a trafficker and who is identified as a victim. This is not a new truth, but it is a somber, unacceptable reality."

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Sex Trafficking in America

PBS Frontline Sex Trafficking Documentary

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Black Girls at Higher Risk for Human Trafficking

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Former Sex Trafficking Victim Speaks
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Although Cronkite News generally does not reveal the identities of sex trafficking victims, Jadyn Ferguson shared her story about her descent into and escape from the world of sex trafficking to raise awareness about the issue.



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Sex trafficking is so highly associated with not just the sexuality of women, but the sexuality of white women and their morality. Still today, stories of white women being followed around department stores by "traffickers" are spread all over social media. These posts are sensationalized and make women, especially middle class, white women, fear for their safety when they leave their homes. Acknowledging sex trafficking is convenient for our society because it can be used as a fear tactic to control women; similarly, ignoring labor trafficking is convenient for our society because we do not have to put time or energy into addressing an issue that disproportionately affects people from low socioeconomic backgrounds and people of color, minority populations. (click below for more on this article)

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