

indicators *of* human trafficking

There are a variety of indicators that might suggest someone is a victim of human trafficking:

Overall abuse

- forced to work against their will
- lacks identification papers
- claims to be just visiting and can't clarify where they are staying
- numerous inconsistencies in their story
- lack of knowledge of whereabouts
- has few personal possessions
- doesn't speak for themselves
- is not in control of their money
- owes a large debt
- forced to work due to threats to their family

Physical indicators

- lacks health care
- dressed inappropriately
- material possessions they cannot pay for
- appears malnourished
- shows signs of physical/sexual abuse
- physical restraint
- torture

Emotional indicators

- fearful
- depressed
- submissive
- tense
- nervous/paranoid
- avoids eye contact
- scared of law enforcement