

# SUPPORT

If you believe you have been exploited or trafficked, **IT IS NOT YOUR FAULT AND YOU DESERVE SUPPORT.**

The North Coast Rape Crisis Team is here to...

- LISTEN
- BELIEVE
- SUPPORT YOUR CHOICES
- OFFER OPTIONS

We offer free and **CONFIDENTIAL** services:

- 24-hr hotline (707) 445-2881
- Counseling
- Support Groups
- Advocacy
- Information
- Resources

We also provide trainings, prevention education, and community outreach programs.

# RESOURCES

## North Coast Rape Crisis Team

24-hr Hotlines:

Humboldt (707) 445-2881

Del Norte (707) 465-2851

Business Offices:

Humboldt (707) 443-2737

Del Norte (707) 465-6961

Website: [www.ncrct.org](http://www.ncrct.org)



California Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking: [www.castla.org](http://www.castla.org)

RAINN: (800) 656-4673

Humboldt Domestic Violence Services:  
(866) 668-6543

Humboldt Victim Witness: (707) 445-7417

Humboldt Mental Health (707) 445-7715

Del Norte Victim Witness: (707) 464-7273

Harrington House (Del Norte Domestic Violence): (707) 465-3013

Del Norte Mental Health: (707) 464-7224

**SEXUAL  
EXPLOITATION**  
in the  
**Trim and Grow Scene**

It's not the weed, it's the  
**EXPLOITERS!**



**North Coast Rape Crisis Team**  
*"Imagine a world without violence"*

24-hr Hotline: (707) 445-2881  
TTY (M-F 8:30-5:00): (707) 443-2738  
Business Line: (707) 443-2737  
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# WEED vs EXPLOITATION

Whatever you may feel or believe about our local industry, whether you are for or against legalization, **we believe everyone working in the trim and grow scene deserves safe working environments and to be treated with basic human dignity.**

Just as **some** growers exploit and destroy our land, **some** engage in labor and sexual exploitation.

This often happens during harvesting in isolated locations, in-town grow houses, and while trimming.

# WHAT IS TRAFFICKING?

Human trafficking is a modern form of slavery. It involves controlling a person through force, fraud, or coercion to exploit the victim for forced labor, sexual exploitation, or both. Human trafficking strips victims of their freedom and violates every person's basic human rights. **It is also a crime.**

The California Legislature defines human trafficking as "all acts involved in the recruitment, abduction, transport, harboring, transfer, sale or receipt of persons, within national or across international borders, through force, coercion, fraud or deception, to place persons in situations of slavery or slavery-like conditions, forced labor or services, such as forced prostitution or sexual services, domestic servitude, bonded sweatshop labor, or other debt bondage."

**Anytime someone under the age of 18 is being exploited, with or without force or coercion, they are considered TRAFFICKED PEOPLE and are victims of crime.**

**Even if someone enters into an agreement voluntarily, if exploitation occurs they could be considered trafficked and have rights and protections.**

# WHAT TO WATCH FOR

- Online job listing looking specifically for "young, pretty girls only"
- Extreme isolation and/or no way to leave, especially if you don't know and trust co-workers and bosses
- Offers to "trade" sex for food, money, a place to sleep, etc...
- Being asked to trim naked or wearing only underwear or bathing suits
- Transporting products with demands of "trading sex for..."
- Being told you cannot leave
- Being told money will come later with offers to "help you out" if you're willing to "please"