



# IS THIS TRAFFICKING?

**CONTACT THE HOTLINE IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW:**

- Is being forced to have sex for money or something of value against his or her will
- Is under 18 and engaging in commercial sex
- Is being forced to work or perform services against his or her will

## NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE



**CALL**

1-888-373-7888

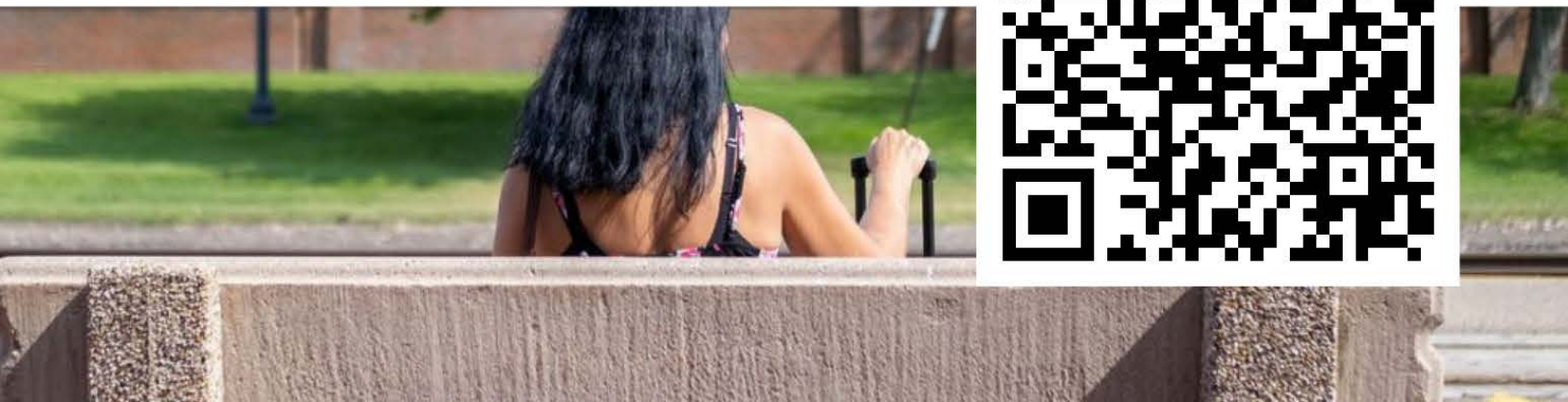


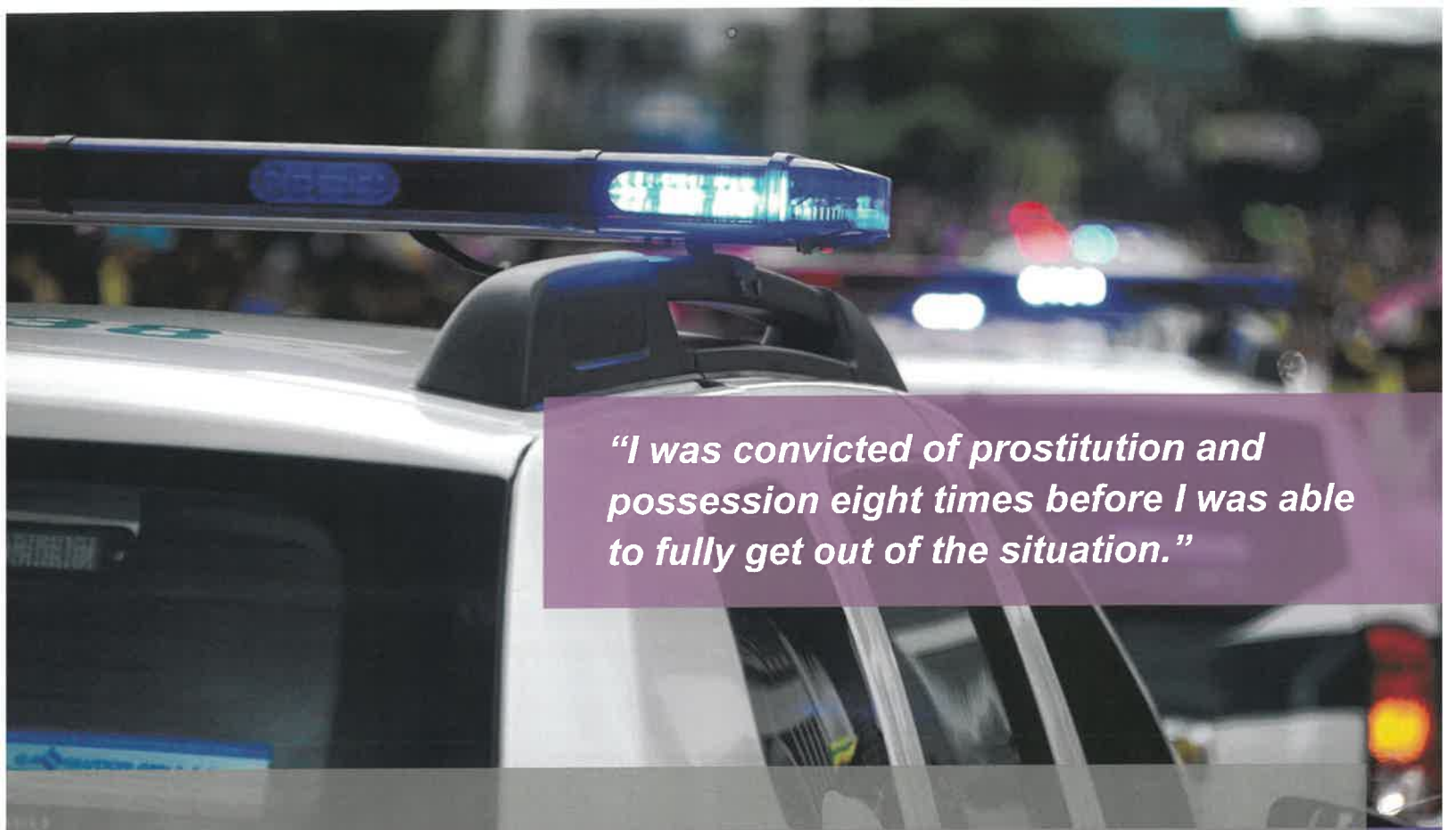
**TEXT**

"BeFree" (233733)

[humantraffickinghotline.org](https://www.humantraffickinghotline.org)

**RECOGNIZE THE SIGNS AND GET HELP**





*“I was convicted of prostitution and possession eight times before I was able to fully get out of the situation.”*

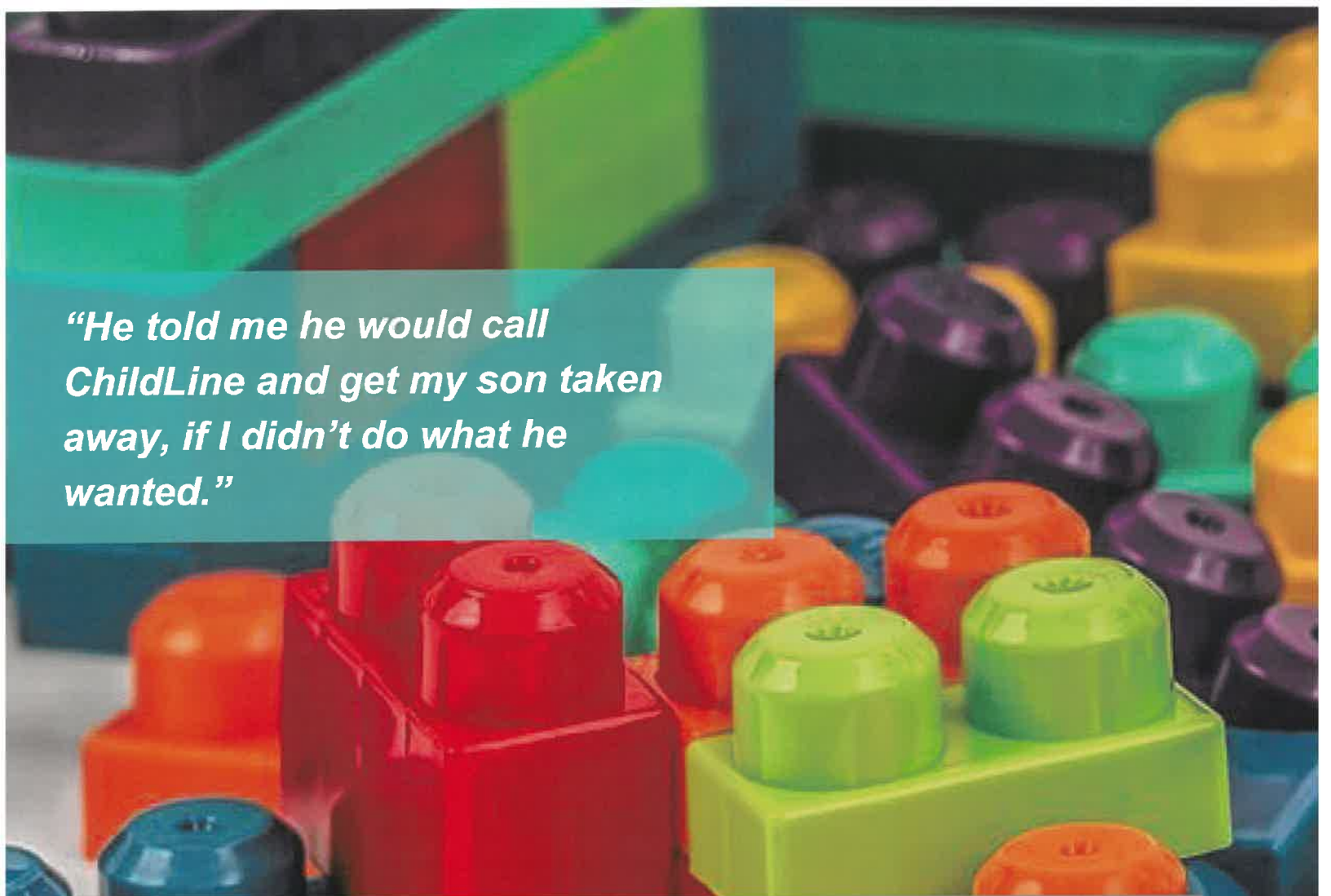
## Human Trafficking victims frequently interact with the criminal justice system.

Trafficking victims may receive convictions for crimes they were forced to commit. Pennsylvania law allows trafficking victims to ask the court to erase certain criminal convictions they obtained while being trafficked.

If you or someone you know is being taken advantage of for commercial sex or forced labor, call the **Pennsylvania State Police Tip Line** at **1-888-292-1919** or email **tips@pa.gov**.

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*“He told me he would call  
ChildLine and get my son taken  
away, if I didn’t do what he  
wanted.”*


## Human Trafficking takes many forms.

Abusing or threatening to abuse the legal process to force someone to engage in commercial sex or labor is Human Trafficking.

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*At least 80% of active sex trafficking cases involve the internet.*

## Human Trafficking happens everywhere.

Just because you don't see it, doesn't mean your community is not at-risk. Traffickers can reach anyone with access to the internet using websites and social media platforms to recruit victims and solicit buyers.

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*“My boss provided my apartment, paid for my plane ticket and supplies for work. With the wages I make, I will never be able to repay her.”*

## Coerced debt is a sign of Human Trafficking.

Traffickers may force victims to take on debt that cannot reasonably be repaid as a condition of employment. They may also use force, threats of harm, and other abusive tactics to prevent victims from seeking help or leaving.

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