

# Human Trafficking Terminology

1. **Automatic** - the victim's routine when his/her pimp is not in direct contact.
2. **Bottom** - appointed by the pimp to "supervise" and keep rules and order.
3. **Branding** - a tattoo or carving to denote ownership by the pimp/trafficker.
4. **Brothel (cathouse/whorehouse)** - any establishment where sex is sold on the premises.
5. **Caught a Case** - when a pimp or victim has been arrested or charged with a crime.
6. **Choosing Up** - the process by which a different pimp takes ownership of a victim. If a victim makes eye contact with another pimp (s)he is "choosing him/her."
7. **Circuit** - a series of cities in which victims are moved.
8. **Daddy** - a name used to refer to a pimp. Most male pimps demand their victims call him Daddy.
9. **Date** - when a victim is with a John.
10. **Exit Fee** - the amount of money a pimp will demand from someone trying to leave the life.
11. **Family or Folks** - The term used to describe the other individuals under a pimp's control.
12. **Game, The Game, The Life** - the game is the pimp and prostitution/trafficking subculture. Anyone involved in prostitution/trafficking is said to be "in the game" or "in the life."
13. **John (Buyer/Trick)** - a person who buys or trades something for sex.
14. **Kiddie Stroll** - area known for commercial sex with minors.
15. **Lot Lizard** - a derogatory role for someone being prostituted at truck stops.
16. **Square** - anyone not involved in "the life."
17. **Track** - certain area of a street in any given city where prostitution/trafficking can be found. Also known as a "blade" or "stroll."
18. **Trick Roll** - a scheme that uses a false promise of sex for money in order to rob a would-be "John."
19. **Quota** - the amount of money the victim must bring the trafficker.