

# Human Trafficking in Missouri in 2020

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**1-888-373-7888**



Human Trafficking is a pervasive problem in the state of Missouri.



## Children's Mercy Hospital

- 55 Children were identified as either extremely high risk for trafficking or confirmed trafficking victims



## Missouri State Highway Patrol

- 385 incidents (Information/contact concerning exploited/at risk/adult /child or offender)
- 206 arrests
- 47 rescues of victims
- 22 human trafficking trainings
  - Have reached over 2,700 people



## Johnson County

- Reported a 120% increase in crimes involving a child



## Restoration House

- 653 total requests for services
- 44 requests for services for minor trafficking victims



## Missouri Children's Division - DSS

- 197 reports of trafficking specific across the state - 24 substantiated
- 221 trafficking victims alleged - 29 confirmed



## MOCATE

- provided trainings to 500 people
- 144 survivors of human trafficking & exploitation received services through Healing Action



## Stop Trafficking Project

- From January to March 2020, 1,938 students had met a stranger in person or were actively sending nude photos of themselves
- 6 Children were identified as child sex trafficking (CST) victims .16 children were identified as CST victims in 2019.
- 107 educational presentations were cancelled due to COVID,.

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## Missouri Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence (MCADSV) Member Agencies

- Identified 141 victims of domestic violence that were also victims of trafficking
- Identified 144 victims of sexual assault who were also victims of trafficking

Identified sexually exploitative Illicit Massage Businesses (IMBs) in Missouri

83

Identified IMBs closed due to task force efforts via The Hope Initiative

42%