



If sexual abuse or trafficking is <u>revealed</u>:

- Believe them
- Acknowledge their bravery in talking to you
- Remain focused and stay calm
- Don't pressure them for information--let them use their own words to tell you what they are comfortable sharing at that time
- Offer reassurance that you will be a consistent support for them
- Thank them for trusting you enough to share
- Let them know they are not at fault
- Remember safety. If you are concerned for the immediate safety of the child/youth or yourself, contact law enforcement
- Locate, support, and file an appropriate report
- If you don't know what to say...that's OK! Thank them for trusting you and let them know that you want to assist them in getting help.

How to report <u>SUSPECTED</u> child sex trafficking, and/or solicitation:

If you know the victim /potential victim:

• Do you want me to contact a safe place where you can talk to someone who understands what you are going through or would you like to call/text them?

In Missouri: MakeMOFree.com HOTLINE: 844-487-0492

In Kansas: Kansas Protection Report Center (KPRC) at 1-800-922-5330

National Hotline: 888-3737-888 or text INFO or HELP to BeFree

https://humantraffickinghotline.org/report-trafficking

If you do not know the potential victim, do NOT approach them.

Emergency/danger: call 911

Non-Emergency suspicions:

Call local Police Department non-emergency number and ask for Human Trafficking Task Force or Sex Crimes Unit.

Cyber Issues:

Call local Police Department non-emergency number and ask for Cyber Crimes.

- If on social media do NOT report to social media platform it is important for investigators to see the posts
- If it's a text, save the text for investigators.
- Do NOT delete the text and do NOT forward it to anyone
- DO block the sender