Human trafficking is a form of modern day slavery that occurs in Florida and throughout the world. Human trafficking is a crime under both Florida and federal laws. Most cases are jointly handled by state and federal law enforcement officials.

Human Trafficking means: the recruitment, harboring, transportation, providing or obtaining of a person for labor or services through the use of force, fraud or coercion or any type of sex trafficking. Men, women and children are trafficked.

Trafficking occurs in many different situations including domestic servitude, construction, landscaping, the sex industry, factories, begging, sweatshops, migrant farm work, and service industries such as nursing homes housekeeping, bars and restaurants and the food industry.

Victims of trafficking are entitled to benefits and help. This help can include shelter and food as well as help to remain in the United States legally.