



Human Trafficking Outreach Project

Human trafficking is a modern-day form of slavery involving the illegal trade of people for exploitation or commercial gain. Every year, millions of children, men, and women are trafficked for both labor and sexual exploitation in countries around the world, including the United States. Human trafficking is a \$236 billion industry (as of 2021, according to the [International Labor Organization's 2024 report on forced labor](#)). The human trafficking industry is second only to illicit drugs in terms of criminal enterprise. According to the FBI, Los Angeles is a top trafficking destination.

To help raise awareness about human trafficking, the City of Gardena is assisting in the implementation and enforcement of the [2012 California Senate Bill 1193](#). SB 1193 mandated that 12 different types of businesses and establishments post notices publicizing human trafficking hotline resources. Further, the 2017 [California Senate Bill 225](#) mandated that those notices now include a text messaging hotline. In 2017, [California Senate Bill 260](#) added hotels, motels, and bed & breakfast inns to the category of establishments required to post human trafficking awareness notices.

The 13 types of establishments that must adhere to post-human trafficking notices are:

1. On-sale general public premises under the [Alcoholic Beverage Control Act](#).
2. Adult or sexually oriented businesses.
3. Airports.
4. Intercity passenger rail or light rail stations.
5. Bus stations.
6. Truck stops.
7. Hospital emergency rooms.
8. Urgent care centers.
9. Farm labor contractors.
10. Privately operated job recruitment centers.
11. Roadside rest areas.
12. Businesses or establishments that offer massage or bodywork services for compensation.
13. Hotels, motels, and bed & breakfast inns