

# What is forced labour exploitation?

Forced labour exploitation draws from people facing extreme poverty, unemployment, gender and race inequality and lack of opportunity.

**poverty**

They may find themselves in situations they did not expect.

Because of your original consent to the situation, you may feel you have no right to seek assistance, especially if you fear authorities or have experienced trauma.

**Fear** You may feel you cannot escape because of a situation in your personal story such as debt bondage, threats to your family and stigma. You may not want help because of the fear of the people who are controlling you.

**Intimidation**

## Trafficking

is unique because it requires 3 steps:

- 1 recruitment
- 2 coercion or deception
- 3 exploitation

## WHERE YOU CAN GO FOR HELP

If you find yourself in this situation, you can call  
Across Languages at 1-866-833-7247  
for free language interpretation.

## CONFIDENTIAL SUPPORT

London Police Services - 519-661-5670

Women's Community House  
24 Hour Abused Women's Hotline  
519-642-3000 or 1-800-265-1576

Crime Stoppers - 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS)

Ont. Provincial Police - 1-888-310-1122

Human Trafficking Support Line  
1-866-528-7109

London Abused Women's Centre  
519-432-2204 - Help Line 1-866-863-0511

Sexual Assault Centre of London  
519-438-2272 or 1-877-529-2272  
(English and Spanish)

Salvation Army Correctional & Justice Services  
519-432-9553

My Sister's Place - 519-679-9570

London Coalition  
Against Human Trafficking

**EVERY DOOR IS THE RIGHT DOOR**



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# LABOUR EXPLOITATION

Human Life for Profit

Human trafficking is a serious violation  
of human rights and it is a crime.

– People's Law School

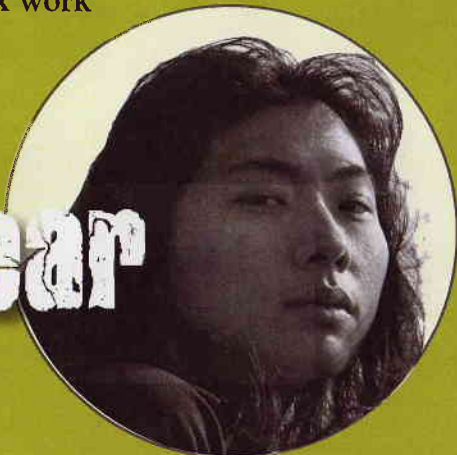
# People who have been trafficked for the purpose of forced labour may be found in:

- restaurants
- factories
- commercial agriculture (greenhouses)
- criminal organizations (marijuana grow operations, drug couriers)
- construction sites
- live-in caregivers (for the elderly)
- forced marriages
- child care providers and domestic help
- low skill temporary workers
- escort agencies
- sex work

violence

control

fear



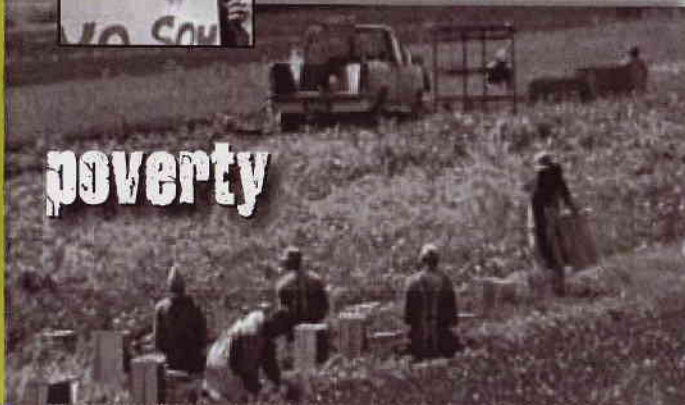
# Signs that you or a person you know may be trafficked into forced labour

- Were you promised a better job, but are not doing the job that was promised?
- Are you facing violence or threats of violence?
- Are you being threatened with being handed over to immigration or police?
- Are you not free to leave the place of work or where you are living to find a better job?
- Are you pressured by high debt (e.g. from recruitment fees, transportation?)
- Are you accompanied by someone who speaks for you?
- Do you work long hours with few or no days off?
- Do you not get paid normal wages, or not get paid at all?
- Do you not have access to your personal identity documents, such as your passport, bank records or airline tickets, etc.?

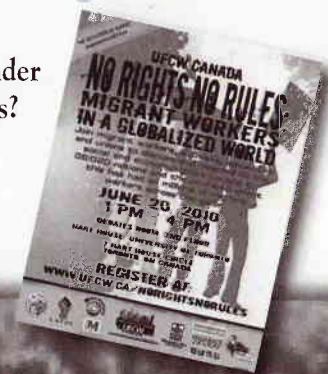


threats

poverty



- Are you forced to lie?
- Are you dependent on exploiters (e.g. for transportation, accommodation, and food)?
- Do you have injuries that are the result of assault?
- Are you deprived of food, health care or other social safety nets?
- Do you have no cash of your own, and have your money controlled by another person?
- Are you deceived about wages and earnings?
- Are you faced with sexual violence?
- Are you faced with fines or financial penalties?
- Are you working under hazardous conditions?
- Are you isolated, confined or under surveillance?



deception

