

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING BREAK-OUT SESSION: MICHELLE DELAUGHTER—*SHENANDOAH VALLEY ABOLITIONISTS* AND PENNY KAY
HOEFLINGER—*COFFEE HOUSE FARM***

IDENTIFYING HUMAN TRAFFICKING:

Gangs are discovering they can make more money trafficking than with drugs so it has become the fastest growing criminal activity—second only to drugs. Most Trafficking focuses on girls, commonly 12-14 years old, but it can be boys or young men, too. They may be controlled with drugs, fear, threats. They may be depressed and/or hopeless. They may avoid friendly exchanges. Signs of Human Trafficking may be in plain sight. Just look around you and engage those with whom you come in contact that could be victims.

- Are laborers being brought into the area from somewhere else? Ask what they do on their day off? No freedom to move about or days off are red flags.
- Notice if someone else hovers nearby when you are being asked for money. Are there fearful glances?
- Ask about tattoos. Most people who have them want to talk about them, unless it is an owner's "brand."
- Other red flags are no eye-contact; changing the subject; hesitancy in responding to simple personal Questions; no freedom to move about or days off. Not speaking on own behalf.

**IF YOU HAVE A SUSPICION, REPORT IT TO *NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE*
1-888-373-7888 or Text "info" or "help" to BeFree (233733)**

Do not patronize places that sell pornography. Trafficking often begins there.