

Fundamentals of Human Trafficking –



A Primer on the Relevant Statutes, Issues, & Case Law

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What is Human Trafficking?

- Modern day slavery
- Not just transporting immigrants
- Includes forced labor/services and/or prostitution



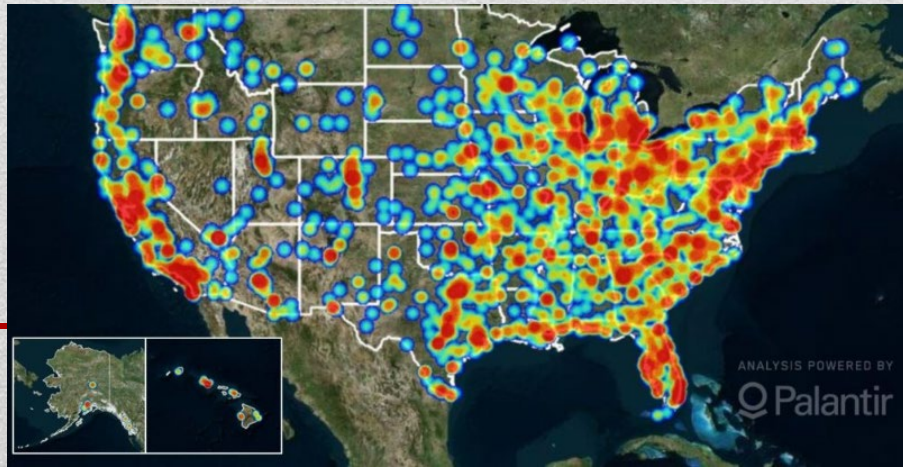
How Much Does Trafficking Impact Globally?

- Human trafficking is a massive industry - \$32 billion
 - More than McDonald's makes in 1 year <http://info.gozoe.org/what-is-human-trafficking>
- Estimated 20 million + people are enslaved
 - 26% are children, 22% are children in the sex industry (4.4 million children worldwide) <http://info.gozoe.org/what-is-human-trafficking>



How Much Does Trafficking Impact Domestically?

- From the National Human Trafficking Hotline:
 - United States in 2019:
 - 11,500 reported cases of human trafficking
 - 8,248 (~71%) were sex trafficking
 - 1,236 (~10%) were labor trafficking
 - 505 (~4%) were sex & labor trafficking
 - 1,511 (~13%) were not specified

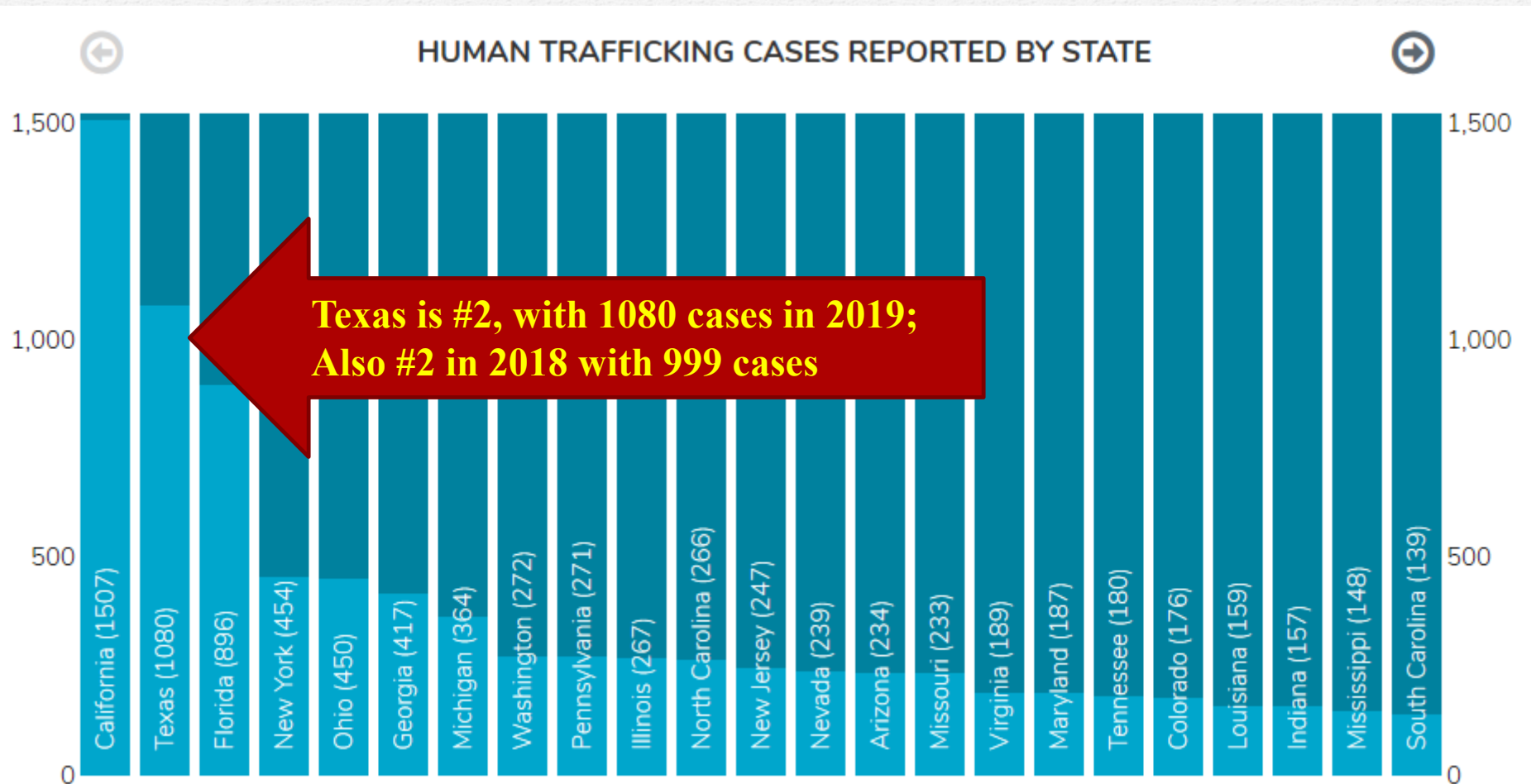


How Much Does Trafficking Impact Domestically?

- National Human Trafficking Hotline:
 - United States in 2019:
 - 2,582 (~22%) minors
 - 9,357 (~81%) women
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What about in Texas?

- National Human Trafficking Hotline:
 - Human trafficking reports by state, 2019



APPROXIMATELY

79,000

MINORS AND YOUTH
ARE VICTIMS OF
SEX TRAFFICKING

IN TEXAS ★ ★

APPROXIMATELY

234,000 WORKERS ARE
VICTIMS OF
LABOR TRAFFICKING

THERE ARE CURRENTLY AN ESTIMATED **VICTIMS OF**
313,000 HUMAN TRAFFICKING
IN TEXAS ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

TRAFFICKERS
EXPLOIT
APPROXIMATELY **\$600 MILLION**
FROM VICTIMS OF LABOR TRAFFICKING
★ ★ ★ ★ ★ IN TEXAS

MINOR AND YOUTH
SEX TRAFFICKING COSTS
THE STATE OF
TEXAS
APPROXIMATELY
\$6.6
BILLION

Human Trafficking by the Numbers: The Initial Benchmark of Prevalence and Economic Impact for Texas,
University of Texas at Austin – Institute on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault, December 2016

Cost to Texas

Children as Victims

- Children can not consent to prostitution



The Law in Texas - Definitions

- **Child** = a person younger than 18 years of age (regardless of whether defendant knew the age of the child at time of offense)
 - **Forced labor or services** = labor or services, other than labor or services that constitute sexual conduct, that are performed or provided by another person and obtained through an actor's use of force, fraud, or coercion
 - **Traffic** = to transport, entice, recruit, harbor, provide, or otherwise obtain another person by any means
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The Law in Texas, Cont'd

Trafficking of Persons – Penal Code 20A.02 – 1st Degree Felony

Person knowingly:

(1) traffics another person with the intent that the trafficked person engage in forced labor or services

(2) receives a benefit from participating in a venture that involves an activity described by Subdivision (1), including by receiving labor or services the person knows are forced labor or services

(3) traffics another person and, through force, fraud, or coercion, causes the trafficked person to engage in conduct prohibited by: compelling/prostitution; aggravated/promotion prostitution

(4) receives a benefit from participating in a venture that involves an activity described by Subdivision (3) or engages in sexual conduct with a person trafficked in the manner described in Subdivision (3)

(5) traffics a child with the intent that the trafficked child engage in forced labor or services

(6) receives a benefit from participating in a venture that involves an activity described by Subdivision (5), including by receiving labor or services the person knows are forced labor or services

(7) traffics a child and by any means causes the trafficked child to engage in, or become the victim of, conduct prohibited by (various child sexual abuse offenses)

(8) receives a benefit from participating in a venture that involves an activity described by Subdivision (7) or engages in sexual conduct with a child trafficked in the manner described in Subdivision (7)

Continuous Trafficking

- Time period: 30 days or more
 - Conduct: 2 or more times
 - Victim: one or more
 - Result: 25-99 years or life
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Other Considerations

- No statute of limitations
 - *In pari materia* clause – defendant can be convicted of trafficking and any other felony
 - Except continuous sexual abuse for same victim & same time period
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Punishment

- Trafficking w/ adult victim: 2nd degree
 - 1st degree if offense results in death of victim or victim's unborn child
 - Trafficking w/ child victim: 1st degree
 - Continuous trafficking: 25-99 years or life
 - Can get consecutive sentences
 - No judge or jury ordered community supervision
 - No deferred for offenses after 9/1/19
 - Parole: eligible at half time
 - Repeat Sex Offender implications (auto-life)
 - Lifetime sex offender registration required for sex trafficking
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Child Victim Issues

- Do not self-identify
- Easily manipulated
- Troubled home life – single parent, impoverished, early exposure to drugs, previous sex abuse
- Drug/alcohol dependent
- Frequent run away
- Juvenile record
- Not forth-coming, or may lie

Recommended records:

1. CPS
2. Medical
3. Counseling
4. Criminal, including juvenile

Evidentiary Issues

- CCP 38.072 Outcry statute applies if victim under 14
 - CCP 38.37 Extraneous offense evidence applies
 - DNA/Medical
 - Not likely depending on timing child is taken to hospital
 - Phone
 - Child's and Offender's
 - Text messages between the two, or with buyers, or other women being prostituted by offender
 - Photos of child for ads
 - Email of ad postings, hotel receipts
 - GPS locations
 - Online ads
 - Hotel receipts
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Case Law

- Statute is not unconstitutionally vague – *Kuhl v. State*
 - Man drives child 20 minutes away from her house to have sex is trafficking – *Ritz v. State*
 - Child under 14 cannot commit prostitution, and conviction for trafficking based on compelling prostitution of 4 year old overturned – *Turley v. State*
 - Human trafficking is result-oriented offense, jury unanimity not violated by allowing proof of knowingly trafficking a person or knowingly receiving a benefit – *Moreno v. State*
 - A lesser-included instruction for trafficking on a continuous trafficking charge is not required just because a jury may disbelieve 30 days or more; a scintilla of evidence is necessary – *Dukes v. State*
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State of Texas v. Jovan Miles

Posted: Jul 28, 2016 12:07 PM CDT
Updated: Jul 28, 2016 4:29 PM CDT

Victim and defendant testify in human trafficking trial



Investigation

- How CCPD got a tip from Houston PD
 - 14 y.o. EB arrested for prostitution 11/6/13 in Houston; placed on juvenile probation
 - EB, now 15, reported as runaway 8/15/14
 - Found by HPD 8/26/14 and returns home
 - EB runs away and gets into prostitution again
 - 3/3/15 Harris Co. ADA in HT division identifies EB on backpage.com and forwards to Det. Nieto at HPD
 - Det. Nieto calls EB's father, who says she's been missing since December 2014
 - Det. Nieto contacts EB via cell # on backpage.com, she tells him she is now in CC, so he calls CCPD (approx. 12PM 3/4/15)
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Post Ad

keyword

adult

search

corpus christi, tx free classifieds

[backpage.com](#) > [Corpus Christi adult entertainment](#) > [Corpus Christi escorts](#)

Report Ad

Back-n-Town Sexy Columbian mami Peaches catering upscale gentlemen (60 special) - 20

Posted: Wednesday, March 4, 2015 6:22 AM

Reply

Hey sweetie , Thank you for glancing at my page ☐ My name is Peaches I'm 20 with a unique mix of columbian & white. Come unwind with a down to earth girl who has beauty&brains. Be greeted by my beautiful smile and inviting energy ☐ I only cater to upscale distinguished gentlemen xoxo

7133099663 Peaches

Poster's age: 20

- Location: Corpus Christi, SPID-WEBER Rd

- Post ID: 12775734 corpuschristi

- Other ads by this user:

[100% Natural Mouth watering Chocolate Treat - 22](#)(SPID-WEBER Rd) [adult entertainment: escorts](#)

[Last-Night-n-Town-Sexy Columbian mami catering upscale gentlemen \(80 special\) - 20](#)(SPID-WEBER Rd) [adult entertainment: escorts](#)

[\(New-N-Town\)*60 Special * Sexy Columbian mami catering upscale gentlemen - 20](#)(SPID-WEBER Rd) [adult entertainment: escorts](#)

Email this ad



[Enlarge Picture](#)



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- Phone number listed on ad: 713-309-9663
- Det. Ilse sends administrative subpoena to backpage.com for the Post ID # 12775734
 - Gets all posts with that Post ID
 - Requests IP address associated with the ad

Administrative Data:

Partner: Cornus Christi

Recent Name: jovanbmp@aol.com

Recent Phone: Unknown

Email: jovanbmp@aol.com [+SPAM]

User Created: Thursday, February 19, 2015
11:29 AM CST

Invoices for this Ad:

\$5.00 on 03-04-2015 - Invoice 12848626 with [user on this site \(4\)](#)

CardRef 7165440

\$5.00 on 03-03-20

CardRef 7165440

\$5.00 on 03-03-20

CardRef 7165440

\$5.00 on 03-02-2015 - Invoice 12800710 with

CardRef 7165440

\$5.00 on 02-20-2015 - Invoice 12775735 with

CardRef 7165440

Ad Created: Friday, February 20, 2015 08:22

PM CST

IP address 173.175.93.162

invoice 12846570 with

invoice 12838713 with

invoice 12775735 with

Law Enforcement Emergency/Life-Threatening Subscriber Information Request Form

Please complete this form whenever your agency requires Time Warner Cable's assistance in obtaining subscriber data on an expedited basis in connection with an emergency request involving a life-threatening situation. See 18 U.S.C. § 2702(b) or § 2702(c) for the legal requirements associated with these types of requests.

Please answer each of the following:

1) Does this emergency involve immediate danger of death or serious physical injury to any person?

Yes X No _____

(If you answered "No," please contact us at 703-345-3422 during regular business hours for assistance)

2) Briefly describe the nature of the emergency or threat:

Minor child involved in human sex trafficking in Corpus Christi. minor child has been identified as possible victim.

3) What data are you seeking from Time Warner Cable in connection with this request (please be specific, e.g. subscriber name, address and phone number):

SUBSCRIBER NAME, PHONE NUMBER, ADDRESS.

4) What data are you providing to help us locate responsive subscriber information:

Subscriber Name: _____

Address: _____

IP Address: 173.175.93.1102 Date/Time/TZ: 3-4-2015 05:59:21 CST

IP Address: _____ Date/Time/TZ: _____

IP Address: _____ Date/Time/TZ: _____

Telephone Number: _____ MAC Address: _____

Email Address: _____ Account Number: _____

(Any request involving an IP address must include the date, time and time zone on which the IP was in use):

5) Law Enforcement Agency Information:

Requestor's Name & Title: DET. Mike Iuse LEA Name: Corpus Christi PD

LEA Address: 321 JOHN SUTTON CTR TX 78401

Requestor's Phone #: 361-815-5746 Fax #: _____ Mobile #: 361-789-5986

Supervisor's Name & Title: Capt. D. Cook Phone #: 361-815-4096

Agency Main-Publicly Listed Phone #: _____ Agency Website: _____

Det. Michael Iuse

Officer/Agent's Signature

March 4, 2015

Date

email micheali@cc-texas.com

Please FAX this completed form on your letterhead (or you can include your letterhead as a cover sheet)

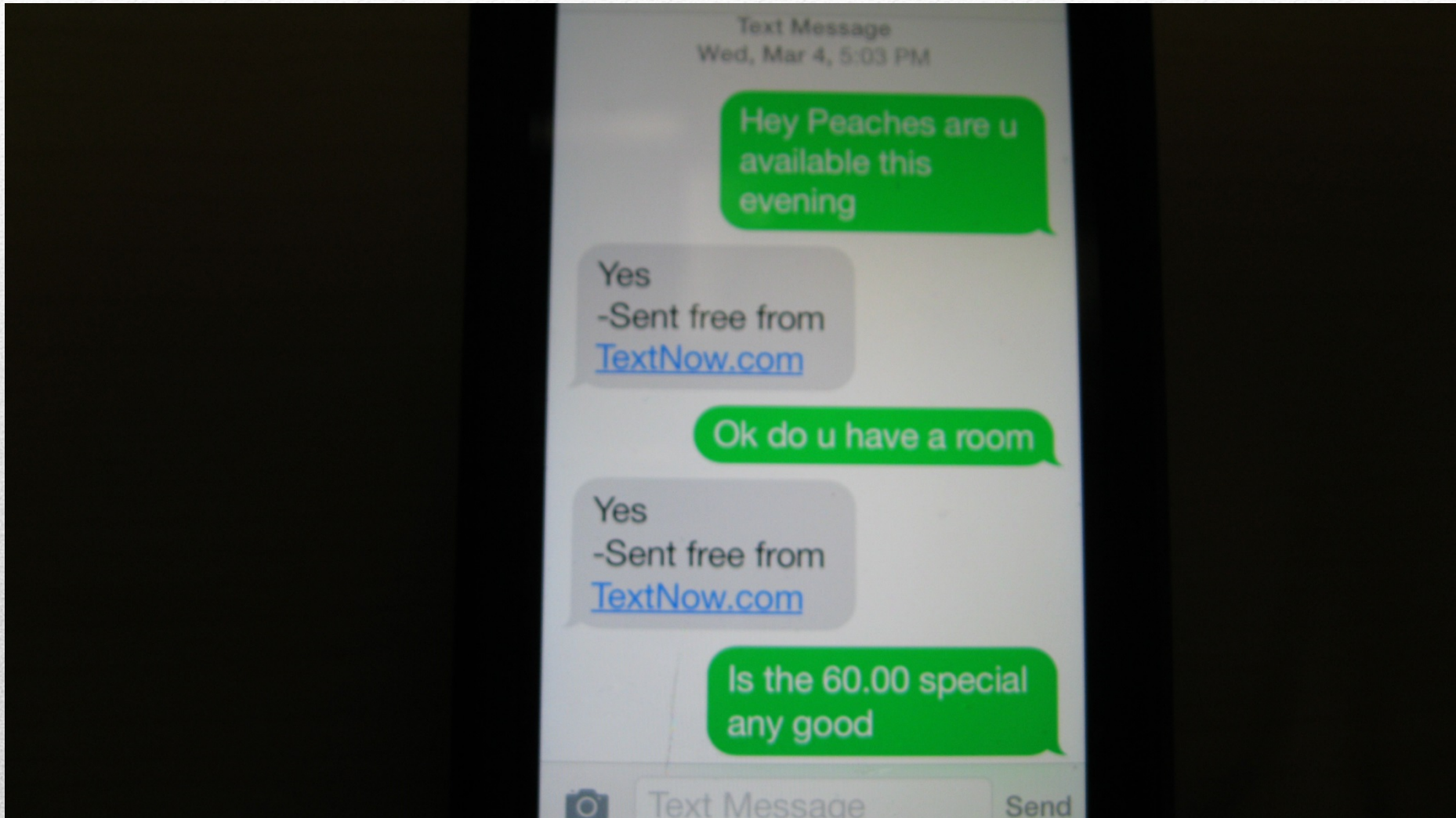
- Received response via telephone due to exigent circumstances

SUBSCRIBER RECORD

Target Details	173.175.93.162
Subscriber Name:	BALDEV BHAKTA
Subscriber Address:	3925 S PADRE ISLAND DR, CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78415-2915
Service Type - RR HSD	Activate Date: 6/7/2013 Deactivate Date: Still Active
User Name or Features:	bbhakta@stx.rr.com
Phone number:	(361)225-2500
Equipment Details	
MAC:	e86d527408bc

- 3925 SPID is Day's Inn
 - Det. Ilse subsequently got the records in written form
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- Det. Day w/ CCPD NVID texts the number on the ad to set up meeting with EB (5:03 PM on 3/4/15)



Yes get treated same
as any other date,
15 minutes
-Sent free from
TextNow.com

I ll be on my way in
about 30. Can I have
a full hour. Where u
at

A full hour is 140
30 minutes 100
15 60 special
-Sent free from
TextNow.com

Ok sounds good just



Text Message

Send



Messages

Peaches

Details

Ok sounds good just
let me know when
you on the way can't
wait to see you
-Sent free from
TextNow.com

Where do I go

[3925 South Padre
Island Drive, Corpus
Christi, TX 78415](#)
-Sent free from
TextNow.com

On 358 not to far.
The hr for 140
sounds good



Text Message

Send

< Messages

Peaches

Details

On 358 not to far.
The hr for 140
sounds good

What room do I go
to

You there baby?

Let me know when
you outside
-Sent free from
TextNow.com

I am here

Outside

Where are u



Text Message

Send

Room 130
-Sent free from
TextNow.com

Ok. Are u alone.
Don't want to get
jacked

Yes I'm alone
-Sent free from
TextNow.com

Don't have to worry
about none of that
nonsense
-Sent free from
TextNow.com

- Detectives with NVID contact EB at the Day's Inn at 3925 SPID





- Room 130 was located right next to the rear exit, which provided quick and undetectable access for Johns



- Room 130 was located right next the exit, which provided quick and undetectable access for johns



- They made their way to EB's room, 130



Room 130

- Detectives get the receipts for Room 130



DAYS INN & SUITES CORPUS CHRISTI

3925 S. PADRE ISLAND DRIVE
CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78415 US

Phone: (361) 225-2500

Fax: (361) 225-3000

Email: daysinn37091@yahoo.com

Printed: 3/4/2015 6:25:51 PM

Name:	MILES, JOVAN	832.244.1713	Confir
Address:	1931 DOLIVER CL MISSOURI CITY, TX 77489 US	TX DL # 21097067	A

Arrival:	3/2/2015 (Mon)	Departure:	3/5/2015 (Thu)
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4. I have read check out time notice and accept that staying after check out time, I will pay for additional night.

I have read & accept Hotel Policy.

Initial X _____

Room Rate:

3/2/2015 (Mon) - 3/4/2015 (Wed) \$84.95 + \$12.75 Tax per night.

- Detectives also get all receipts for rooms rented to Jovan Miles



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3925 S. PADRE ISLAND DRIVE

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CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78415 US

Phone: (361) 225-2500

Fax: (361) 225-3000

Email: daysinn37091@yahoo.com

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Folio (Detailed)

Name: MILES, JOVAN

Confirmation Number: 46781740

Account Number: 163-850372

Address: 1931 DOLIVER CL
MISSOURI CITY, TX 77489 US

Room: 124 Room Type: 001 2 QUEENS SMK Nights: 2 Guest: 2/0

Arrival: 2/19/2015 (Thu) Departure: 2/22/2015 (Sun)

Date	Code	Description	Amount	Balance
1/30/2015	RM	ROOM CHARGE	\$89.95	\$89.95
1/30/2015	TAX1	STATE OCCUP. TAX	\$5.40	\$95.35
1/30/2015	TAX2	CITY OCCUP. TAX	\$8.10	\$103.45
2/31/2015	CA	CASH	(\$103.45)	\$0.00

Jermaine Matthews

- Right across the hall in Room 131 was Jermaine Matthews – he had rented the room with a couple of adult female “friends”
 - (what do you suppose they were doing?)
 - Later discovered these girls tried to recruit EB
 - Matthews arrived in the parking lot. Spoke with detectives:
 - Didn’t know who was renting room 130
 - “Doesn’t f– with minors, that’s nasty.”
 - Did see a male driving a black Buick Lacrosse associated with room 130



Interview #1 of EB

- EB is rescued by CCPD NVID
- She is taken to the CAC for forensic interview
 - She's scared
 - Runaway from Houston, lives w/ her dad
 - Left dad's house for the streets to live a "fast life" – she's been doing it since before she was 14
 - Will work by herself or with someone
 - Her parents did prostitution – was taken away from her mom
 - Smoked weed since age 8, used coke, x pills, bars
 - KJ brought her to CC to have sex for money
 - Has had sex w/ 30 men in the 3 days she'd been in CC
 - She has sex w/ KJ; KJ has hit her
 - KJ takes care of her, he is her "Dad"
 - EB "does not keep track of the days, is just living."
 - Doesn't know KJ's real name
 - 2 girls across the hall tried to recruit her, that's what "pimping" is about – "choosing up"



SANE at DCH

A. HISTORY (As stated by patient):

Time of incident: 03-02-2015 - 03-04-2015

Patient states: "KJ he's my daddy, He's my pimp. He took me from Houston to Corpus because he said we could make a lot of money and we did. This is the second time we were here. We were here 2 weeks ago. Then we went back to Houston. The first time we were here we made 2500 dollars in profit. I saw about forty to fifty men. I did oral sex and in the vagina. Their dicks went in my mouth and my vagina. I don't do the booty (patient indicates anus by pointing). All of them was protected with Magnums unless the paid for raw. Raw cost two hundred more. Protection not with my daddy, I have sex with him without a magnum in my mouth and my vagina. This time in corpus we came down two or three days ago. It's been slow down here. I've only seen about ten to fifteen guys. Their dicks went in my vagina and my mouth. They also put their mouths down there on my vagina. In Houston I had sex with five hundred guys both vaginal and oral sex."

Patient also states: "My dad was a pimp and my mom was his prostitute. They would do it in front of me that's why I'm the way I am."

2. Female Examination:

Labia Majora No trauma noted

Labia Minora No trauma noted

Hymen 1 cm well healed tears noted to hymen @ 3, 4, 7 and 9 o'clock

Vagina No trauma noted

Cervix No trauma noted

Perineum No trauma noted

Anus Good sphincter tone, no trauma noted

Colposcope

With Images



1 cm well healed tears noted to hymen @ 3, 4, 7 + 9 o'clock

EB also has gonorrhoea of the mouth and Chlamydia in vaginal area and mouth



No Place To Go...

- Det. Ilse contacts Det. Nieto who talks to EB's parent to get her entered as a missing person
- EB is taken to NCJJC and booked as a runaway
 - Otherwise, EB would just run (clear history of it)
 - Get a 24 hour detention which gives time for CPS & juvenile Judge to get involved
- Took her to NCJJC – otherwise she would run away back to her Pimp to get her help – able to detain 24 hours
 - Gave time to get CPS involved and the juvenile judge
- 3/5/15 – Det. Ilse talks with DFPS Program Director – EB taken to Bayview Hospital on emergency removal until she can go to a residential safe facility



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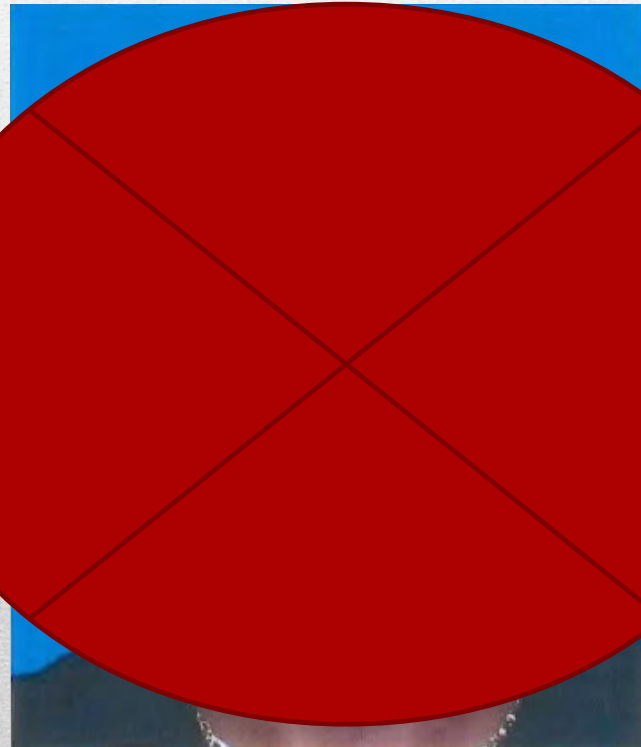
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Jovan Miles



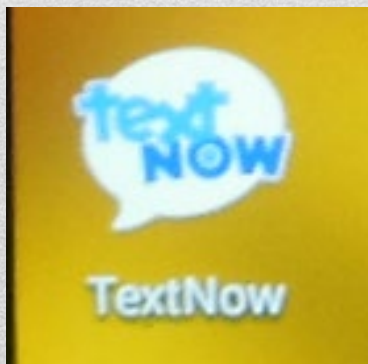
Interview # 2

- 3/11/15 – Detectives get photos of Miles and Matthews and go meet with EB at Bayview
- Who does EB identify as her trafficker?



EB's Phone

- EB gives detectives the password to her phone
- Det. Ilse sends admin subpoena to get subscriber info on 713-309-9663
 - Neutral Tandem says it's Layered Comm.
 - Layered Comm. says it's Enflick
 - Enflick is in Canada – no subpoena power
- Turns out her phone number is 832-594-7024
 - She later tells Ms. Putman that she used an app called Text Now to create a fake # to use on the BP ads



Analysis on EB's Phone

- Showed 92 total calls between EB's phone and 832-244-1713, contact name Daddy Bae (before anyone else) in a 6 day period 2/26-3/4

2250	Call Log	Outgoing	3/2/2015 10:43:27 AM(UTC-6)	To: 8322441713 Daddy Bae
2251	Call Log	Outgoing	3/2/2015 12:31:38 PM(UTC-6)	To: 8322441713 Daddy Bae

2593	Call Log	Incoming	3/4/2015 7:02:45 PM(UTC-6)	From: 8322441713 Daddy Bae
2594	Call Log	Incoming	3/4/2015 7:12:11 PM(UTC-6)	From: 8322441713 Daddy Bae
2595	Call Log	Incoming	3/4/2015 7:15:45 PM(UTC-6)	From: 3616332662 Aaliyah
2596	Call Log	Incoming	3/4/2015 7:23:48 PM(UTC-6)	From: 8322441713 Daddy Bae

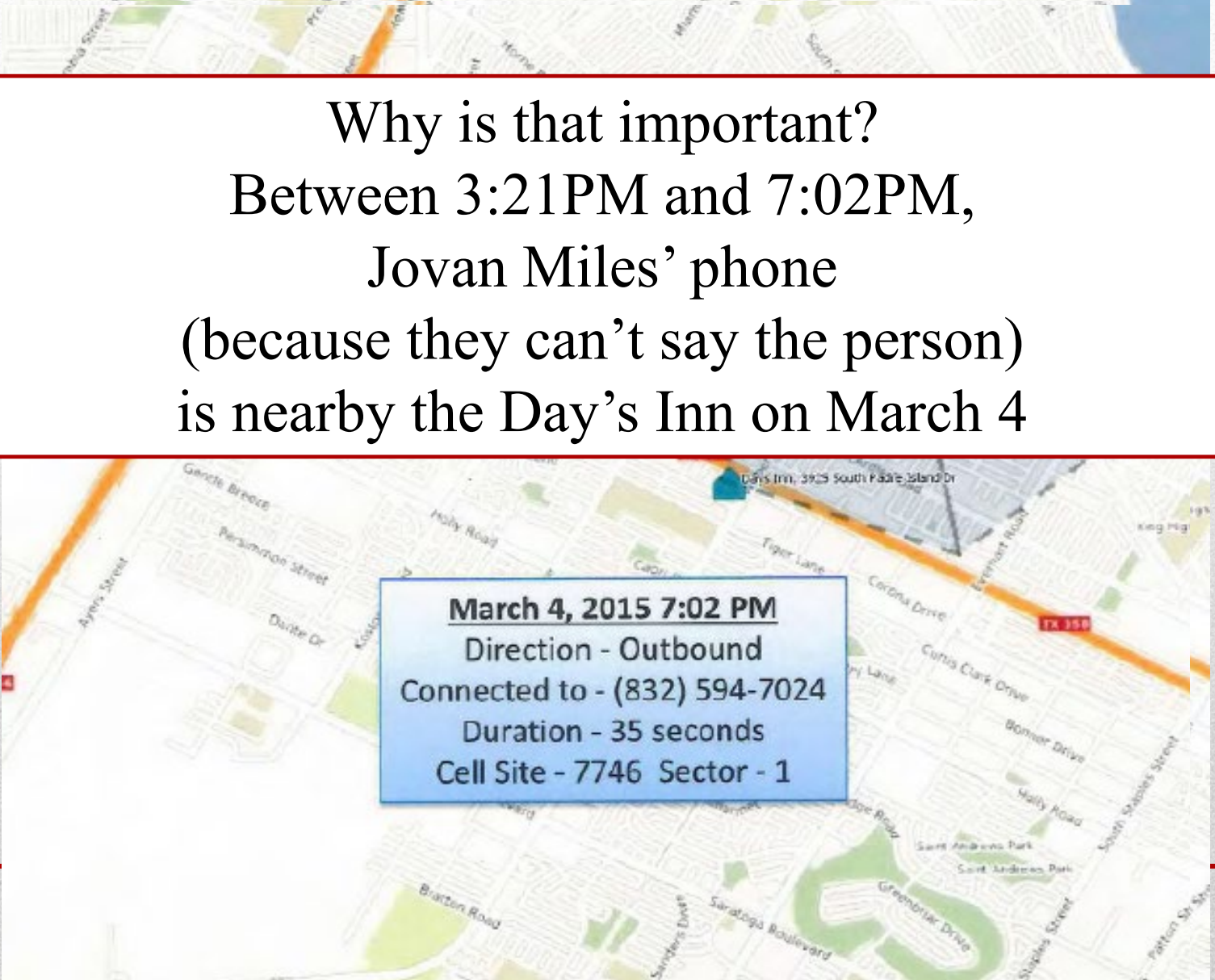
2296	Call Log	Outgoing	3/2/2015 1:22:36 PM(UTC-6)	To: 8322441713 Daddy Bae
2297	Call Log	Outgoing	3/2/2015 1:40:08 PM(UTC-6)	To: 8322441713 Daddy Bae
2298	Call Log	Outgoing	3/2/2015 1:40:58 PM(UTC-6)	To: 8322441713 Daddy Bae

FBI Assists

- Special Agent Ryan Schultz, FBI, sends subpoena to AT&T for subscriber information on 832-244-1713
 - Returns to Locus Communications
 - Sends subpoena to Sprint for subscriber information
 - Returns to “Justin Case”
 - Gets court order for records with cell site information for 832-244-1713 from Sprint
 - Send that information to their team to map
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Cell Site Mapping

Why is that important?
Between 3:21PM and 7:02PM,
Jovan Miles' phone
(because they can't say the person)
is nearby the Day's Inn on March 4



March 4, 2015 7:02 PM
Direction - Outbound
Connected to - (832) 594-7024
Duration - 35 seconds
Cell Site - 7746 Sector - 1

Check in Process

- Special Agent Schultz meets with Gerald Bienek, assistant manager at the Day's Inn
 - He verifies the registration procedure – confirm name and address through driver's license of person renting the room
 - Bienek recalls seeing Miles on multiple occasions, including 3/2-3/4
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- Subpoena to get info on the Visa used to pay for the ads
 - Turns out to be gift cards, so no subscriber info available
- Run query of DL #, returns to Jovan Miles, 1931 Doliver Cl., Missouri City, Texas

3/4/2015	pUP8ALVYIX9xmmHwVqaq2g	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/22/2015	ORRbOGOC84EK2S-wjZ35CQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/23/2015	rlcNu8BNgfzhmZUrVyRcGg	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/23/2015	plvL_HGIUfCZ33SEBFvghw	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/24/2015	1k0teztW-stZO9gOHuocqQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/24/2015	JS_-VzleEDbpxbHjK3Wg	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/20/2015	helTI_1Ft2_OVgrfEWcg	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
3/2/2015	aqpoO__tB9e4keNILDuskQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
3/3/2015	Ph_v_IPgWujiOUA5t5TlkA	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
3/3/2015	djHe0W10SSpKtqCqCqPKww	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
3/4/2015	AdDoFpuZIT2YLmYzBFClqQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/20/2015	d5_RiTly6BS3Uzid4JfZnQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/21/2015	KEpRGF8cB2PRGG8F1Cef2A	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/17/2015	yuyun6xN2VbfhTkzj-ADnw	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/20/2015	d5_RiTly6BS3Uzid4JfZnQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/21/2015	KEpRGF8cB2PRGG8F1Cef2A	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/16/2015	geiZlhq5aom4rDphqGmzaA	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/17/2015	zpBsnKR0Hvhm3rbpJNBRaQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/17/2015	TnX2mNBxgV_Cn9W6Ry92ug	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/17/2015	lkuFtGxsehbt0PmNjnz4BQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/17/2015	xMz7_g4zISFhYQ6d_lyUhw	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/18/2015	pvzTDul9N9KqVCCZosY3tQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/18/2015	TL6ws5tIScnJldw_Um8JSw	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/18/2015	wh8CwglHI6ldL05hc_rwRg	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/22/2015	HcRABjOUFWa9DYR5_KOPCg	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/23/2015	vYluSiGg_v2ovUm5v8EOuw	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/23/2015	gFqcWQ71X3PBucUfWUtHgg	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/24/2015	9rrAYwErFzfrCUiLHaWsJQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/24/2015	Z7i0F8pmpI1P3OF0E2u33Q	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/25/2015	VpfqTvB1WDFitXQ_sjbpHA	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/25/2015	qps4_AY075N_KCd7fJlUzg	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/25/2015	6rA4pR8UV9bAEbnLH2HOTA	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/26/2015	Bhr84lnzEIADPr7eDjCw	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/26/2015	ID-W3Jlhu481UD-E9ORTIQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/26/2015	uxcCKWRV54V-yNQRjm74xQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/27/2015	DLTixNim6NwJwnClam6dgw	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/27/2015	jdsez6nuc4_GMSUaNMJ3Q	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/27/2015	L7b9Z8EzU6dlAE2Ysdf6TA	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/27/2015	sucjplDezHfPL4QDYLN7A	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/28/2015	wKVa3mUqCuM8ijCt1JQ-_A	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
3/1/2015	O_3LCNyak1KkEMckZLszgA	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
3/1/2015	TVe4Dwb-zj63RQppqddAX-w	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
3/1/2015	4O2BDfqljEOfzm1ocRulQ	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
3/2/2015	GwIYOD_Xxg4udhYT7Ymmg	7165440	cc 478499*****1577
2/19/2015	7ZGC4SHHGffigXW0lepWCg	7165440	cc 478499*****1577

Visa Prepaid
↳ No subscriber

Backpage.com payment
info associated with
post ID# 12775734
on 03/04/2015.

Interview # 3 of EB

- Based on the investigation, detectives believed Jovan Miles to be the true trafficker of EB.
 - EB is in CPS custody in a rehab facility. Det. Ilse and Special Agent Schultz meet with EB.
 - Finally, EB identifies Miles as her trafficker
 - She met Miles through BP where she advertised herself
 - She was with him in Houston and CC for about 6 six weeks
 - With about 500 men
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Interview # 3 of EB

- He took photos of her, bought the phone to use, set up the prices, rented the hotel rooms, he would wait in the car while she was with “clients”, he would come in when she was done and get the money, he is “Daddy BAE” in her phone
 - He has beat her before for trying to take money
 - She has had sex with him, oral sex every day
 - Told him she was 19, he didn’t find out her age until March 4th
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BP Records Thru Email

- Subpoena Backpage records just using jovanbmp@aol.com
 - Find numerous other ads for other women as well as additional ads for EB
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Days Inn

- Days Inn has additional records showing rooms rented to Jovan Miles on 2/19-2/21, 1/30-1/31, and 1/25-1/27
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Miles' Vehicle

- FBI finds black 2011 Buick Lucerne CXL registered to Jovan Miles

Name	Jovan Q. Miles
DOB	07/06/1988 (26)
SSN	641-01-2919*
Address	1931 Doliver Circle
City/State/Zip	Missouri City, Texas 77489
Motor Vehicles	2011 Buick Lucerne CXL (Black)
Motor Vehicles (Continued)	Texas Plate DX4J621

- Det. Ilse obtained an arrest warrant for Jovan Miles for Trafficking of Persons and Sexual Assault of a Child
- Arrested by U.S. Marshalls on 6/10/15 and booked into Nueces County Jail

Inmate Info:

Name: MILES, JOVAN

Name ID: 323312

Addr: 1931 DOLIVAR CIRCLE

Race: B Sex: M

MISSOURI CITY, TX 78749

Hgt: 5'11 Wgt: 140

DOB: 7/6/1988... POB:HOUSTON

Age: 26 Eye Color: BRO

PSL: INTAKE | SHELF | M-10 |

Hair Color:BLK

EB's Status

- 3/12/15 – moved to Prairie Harbor RTC at Wallis
 - 9/8/15 – returned to father by court order against CPS' rec
 - 10/21/15 – EB's last day enrolled in high school
 - 11/30/15 – EB calls CPS hotline & says she isn't safe in dad's home
 - 12/10/15 – CPS does emergency removal and places EB at TCCC Emergency Shelter in Houston
 - 12/12/15 – EB has run away from the shelter
 - 12/13/15 – EB reported as missing to NCMEC
 - 1/5/16 – recovered by Agent Ryan Kindell, Texas Rangers, goes to Memorial Hermann for SANE, taken to Chimney Rock Shelter and immediately runs
 - 1/13/16 – rescued by HPD, sent to Juvenile Detention, placed in Hector Garza RTC (where she remained during course of trial)
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ADA Meets with EB

- 3/2/16 – ADA Putman sets up appt. with Hector Garza to meet EB
 - Talk with her counselor so he can get her prepared
 - Bring my VAC to San Antonio for meeting
 - At 13, met Motivation in Houston, tried to post her on BP, didn't work, put her on street, got arrested by PD
 - Got w/ Cash for 4 days, didn't feed her
 - Left Cash and went out on her own (Tagged)
 - Weezy came to see her, wanted to pimp her, gave her food
 - Weezy messages J, went to get J, got in J's car, Weezy says if he gets a cut, J can have EB
 - EB goes with J (Jovan Miles), never give \$ to Weezy, she and J have sex
 - EB goes off and posts herself, J messages her again, he picks her up and they work together
 - J put ads on BP, gets hotel room, drives, does everything
 - She loved J, didn't want to get him in trouble but now doesn't want him to do this to anyone else
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ADA Meeting with EB # 2

- Discuss what facilities she has been sent to
 - EB talks about being sexually assaulted by grandfather
 - Describes other dates and hotels she was with Miles in Houston – Red Roof Inn & Motel 6
 - EB talks about how she lies, manipulates people, even prostitutes her own girlfriend – “that’s how I know she loves me”
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Houston Hotels



Red Roof Inn Houston - Westchase
2960 West Sam Houston Parkway South
Houston, TX 77042 US
Phone: 832-301-3700
Fax: 346-212-2144
Email: i0229@redroof.com
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Folio (Detailed)

Name:	MILES, JOVAN	Confirmation Number:	229-417154
Address:	1931 doliver circle Missouri City, TX 77489 US		
Room:	325	Room Type:	ND2FM, NON-SMOKING DELUXE 2 FULL BEDS MICRO-
Nights:	1	Guests:	1/0
Rate Plan:	P10	Daily Rate:	\$71.10 + \$12.09 Tax GTD: 900 - CASH
Arrival:	2/17/2015 (Tue)	Departure:	2/18/2015 (Wed)

Room Rate:

2/17/2015 (Tue) - 2/17/2015 (Tue) \$71.10 + \$12.09 Tax per night.

The victim and defendant in a human trafficking and sex assault trial testified in a Nueces County courtroom on Thursday.

Jovan Miles of Houston is accused of forcing a 15-year-old girl to work as a prostitute and sexually assaulting her multiple times. Houston police found the 15-year-old runaway in an online ad offering herself for sexual services in Corpus Christi.

She told the court that she first engaged in prostitution in

She told the court that she first engaged in prostitution in Houston. The teen says she never considered herself to be a child as she was forced to grow up fast, always being put in adult situations by her parents and grandfather. According to the girl, her parents were recruiters for human traffickers looking for girls.

Jovan Miles.

investigating officers.

During testimony, the officer explained how he met the girl named 'Peaches'. He explained that she asked if "he was affiliated with anyone." The officer told her "no", saying he didn't understand what she was asking. The girl then grabbed his arm and told the officer "I don't want you in here." The officer then identified himself and called for fellow officers to enter the room.

Miles defense attorney asked the officer why he did not immediately identify himself as a police officer when asked his 'affiliation'. The officer replied "because we have a 15-year-old runaway

"I never considered myself a pimp because I never influenced her or forced her to do those things," Miles told the court.

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Under cross examination he said he never posted any ads on the internet promoting prostitution, yet evidence presented in court show his email address associated with ads starting in 2014. Miles denied being a pimp or sexually assaulting anyone. As for why women were seen in his company, he stated "They just wanna be around me, I guess."

If convicted, Miles could be sentenced to life in prison.



CORPUS CHRISTI (KIII NEWS) - From the courts now, a Nueces County man was found guilty of bringing a then 15-year-old girl to Corpus Christi from Houston and soliciting her out as a 19-year-old on a local website.

the jury decided to sentence miles to 40 years

prison.

"As the attorney general's office we commend the Nueces County District Attorney's office for taking this crime incredible seriously. And for moving forward with this prosecution," says Kirsta Melton with the office of the Texas Attorney General.

Miles will have to serve 20 years in prison before he is eligible for parole.

Appeal

- Judgment of trial court affirmed

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The State argues, and we agree, that E.B.'s contradictory and conflicting testimony does not render the evidence insufficient to convict Miles of the continuous trafficking of persons offense. *See Davila*, 147 S.W.3d at 575. Despite Miles's denial that he

Because the jury is presumed to have resolved any inconsistencies between E.B.'s and Miles's testimony in favor of the State, we defer to the jury's decision to believe the testimony of E.B. and other witnesses that Miles continuously trafficked E.B. *See Murray*, 457 S.W.3d at 448. Provided that the jury is the trier of fact and sole judge of a witness's credibility, it is not this Court's responsibility to question a witness's credibility

What Happened to Backpage.com

- United States Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations conducted an investigation into Backpage's knowing facilitation of online sex trafficking and found:

The internal company documents obtained by the Subcommittee conclusively show that Backpage's public defense is a fiction. Backpage has maintained a practice of altering ads before publication by deleting words, phrases, and images indicative of criminality, including child sex trafficking. Backpage has avoided revealing this information. On July 28, 2011, for example, Backpage co-founder James Larkin cautioned Backpage CEO Carl Ferrer against publicizing Backpage's moderation practices, explaining that “[w]e need to stay away from the very idea of ‘editing’ the posts, as you know.”² Backpage had good reason to conceal its editing practices: Those practices served to sanitize the content of innumerable advertisements for illegal transactions—even as Backpage represented to the public and the courts that it merely hosted content others had created.

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backpage.com and affiliated websites have been seized

as part of an enforcement action by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, and the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division, with analytical assistance from the Joint Regional Intelligence Center.

Other agencies participating in and supporting the enforcement action include the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona, the U.S. Department of Justice's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Central District of California, the office of the California Attorney General, and the office of the Texas Attorney General.

Additional information will be provided at around 6:00 pm EST on Friday, April 6, by the U.S. Department of Justice, and all media inquiries should be directed to the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Public Affairs at 202-514-2007 and press@usdoj.gov.

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Thank You!

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