# THARROS PLACE

HOME FOR SURVIVORS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Tharros Place is a 12-bed residential home for survivors of human trafficking or sexual assault, serving girls ages 12-17 in Chatham County and statewide. Our trauma-informed approach is customized for each survivor.

## What is human trafficking?

Human trafficking, specifically sex trafficking, is when a person is manipulated, controlled, or forced to perform sexual acts of any kind to receive money, goods, protection, or another form of compensation. Any commercial sex act involving a person under 18 is sex trafficking.

## Quick Facts

- In **90%** of cases**,** survivors know the trafficker long before victimization occurs.
- The two most common types of trafficking are by a **family member** or **intimate partner.**
- Physical restraint, abduction, or kidnapping only happen in **8%** of cases.

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**If you have any questions, please contact our Outreach Manager, Kate Gallop: kateg@tharrosplace.com**

## Does Savannah have a human trafficking problem?

**Yes. Human Trafficking doesn't require moving someone from their home. It is happening in our community by people in our community. Savannah is at an increased risk due to:**

- **Poverty**
- **Youth homelessness**
- **Tourism industry**
- **International port**
- **I-95/I-16 Corridor**

**Where there are more people, there are more chances for trafficking.**

# Human Trafficking in Georgia

- In 2024, **804 Georgia minors** were reported victims.
- Chatham County ranks **6th in Georgia** and 2nd outside of Atlanta for reported cases of sex trafficking of minors.
- In Georgia, **1/3 of trafficking victims are children**, and 14 is the average age when reporting.
- **Less than .5%** of all trafficking victims are ever identified.
- Runaway or homeless youth make up **60% of child trafficking survivors** because traffickers target people with fewer resources.

# Signs of Human Trafficking

**These signs could indicate someone is being trafficked:**

- Appearing malnourished
- Signs of physical injury
- Poor physical or dental health
- Rehearsed responses in social interaction
- Checking into hotels with older adults
- Tattoos/branding on neck or back
- Lacking identification documents
- New, unexplained items

**If you suspect you or someone you know is a victim of human trafficking, please contact:**

- Chatham County Human Trafficking Unit: **(912)438-2801**
- Georgia Department of Human Services: **(844)END-CSEC**
- National Human Traffcking Hotline: **(800)373-7888**

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