

**TACKLING**  
**MODERN**  
**SLAVERY**  
**ACROSS LANCASHIRE**

Modern slavery is an umbrella term for all forms of slavery, trafficking and exploitation.

At the core of this crime is deception. Survivors of modern slavery tell stories of being sold a better life. They are often vulnerable, coming from areas where there is little possibility of work. They are offered a job, a chance to make money and to build a new life for themselves. Those who offer these opportunities may even organise their travel to a different country, controlling every aspect of their trip.

The job they are offered turns out to be a lie and instead they are forced to work in difficult and degrading conditions, with little or no pay. The threat of violence, to themselves or their families, hangs over them and traps them in their situation. Even if their trafficker does not physically control them, a mistrust of authority may stop them from going to the police.

This is the reality for at least 11,700 men, women and children in the UK. Modern slavery knows no borders, and people of all ages and races can be victims. The 5,145 potential victims referred to the National Crime Agency in 2017 came from 116 different countries, the most common of which were Albania, Vietnam and the UK.



**LOOK OUT FOR THE PAN LANCASHIRE ANTI SLAVERY ROADSHOWS IN TOWN AND CITY CENTRES ACROSS LANCASHIRE DURING THE AUTUMN.**

The aim is to increase public awareness of modern slavery and human trafficking across the county. Look out for the distinctive double decker bus carrying slavery-awareness posters. Look out for events in your area and come along and hear about modern slavery happening in our communities. Hear what's being done about it . . . and do talk to your friends and family about modern slavery in Lancashire.

**CUT OUT THIS RECTANGLE AND KEEP THESE NUMBERS HANDY**

**A LANCASHIRE PARTNERSHIP HAS BEEN FORMED TO HELP TACKLE MODERN SLAVERY ACROSS THE COUNTY.**

The Pan Lancashire Anti Slavery Partnership is made up police, statutory and non-statutory agencies, local charities, faith groups and businesses which meet together every month.

**SEEN SOMETHING?**

If you think someone is in immediate danger call **999**. If you suspect slavery is happening and there is no immediate threat to life contact the police on **101**.

There is a National Modern Slavery Helpline offering confidential help and advice, you can also report information to them on **08000 121 700**.

**WHO TO CONTACT**  
IN AN EMERGENCY  
**999**  
REPORT NON-EMERGENCY  
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO  
YOUR LOCAL POLICE ON  
**101**  
TO ASK FOR ADVICE CALL  
THE MODERN SLAVERY  
HELPLINE  
**08000 121 700**