



**Newmarket 2021**  
**September 25**

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# Fight4Freedom's "Walk4Freedom"

We exist because Sex trafficking does.

Our work is outreach based – focused on opening lines of communication & building relationships with individuals who may have been forced into sex trafficking.

Annually we "walk4freedom" to raise awareness & funds. Funds go towards fighting against sex trafficking and supporting the work of outreach, education, prevention, awareness and survivor care.



## Act + Means + Purpose = Human Trafficking

### Act +

The trafficker must commit one or more of the following acts:

**recruit**

**transport**

**transfer**

**harbour**

**receive**

**give/receive benefit**

**by**

### Means +

Using one or more of the following means:

**violence**

**threat of violence**

**coercion**

**abduction**

**fraud**

**deception**

**abuse of power**

**for**

### Purpose = Human Trafficking

For the purpose of exploitation in one or more of the following forms:

**sexual exploitation\***

**forced labour or services**

**slavery\*\***

**servitude**

**organ removal**

\*including the exploitation of the prostitution of others

\*\*or practices similar to slavery



# HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACTS

**SEXUAL EXPLOITATION MAKES UP 79% OF IDENTIFIED FORMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING, INCLUDING PROSTITUTION, FORCED STRIPPING, MASSAGE SERVICES, AND PORNOGRAPHY.**

UNITED NATIONS OFFICE ON DRUGS AND CRIME, GLOBAL INITIATIVE TO FIGHT HUMAN TRAFFICKING, 2009





## **Sexual Exploitation - Domestic Human Trafficking**

- Victims primarily found in sex trade industry
- Female citizens, age 14 – 25
- Recruited Nova Scotia, Ontario, Manitoba & Quebec
- Emerging trend - recruitment & exploitation of new Canadian citizens/legitimate migrants from Asian community in Canada



## Quick Facts

- 80% child sexual exploitation is hidden in “trap houses” and “trick pads”
- 70-80% of adults in sex trade were first exploited under the age of 18
- 85-90% of sexually exploited children/youth are female, 10-15% male
- **7 times is the average number of attempts individuals have made trying to escape or leave the sex trade**

# HT Destination in Ontario





# HT Places of Origin in Ontario

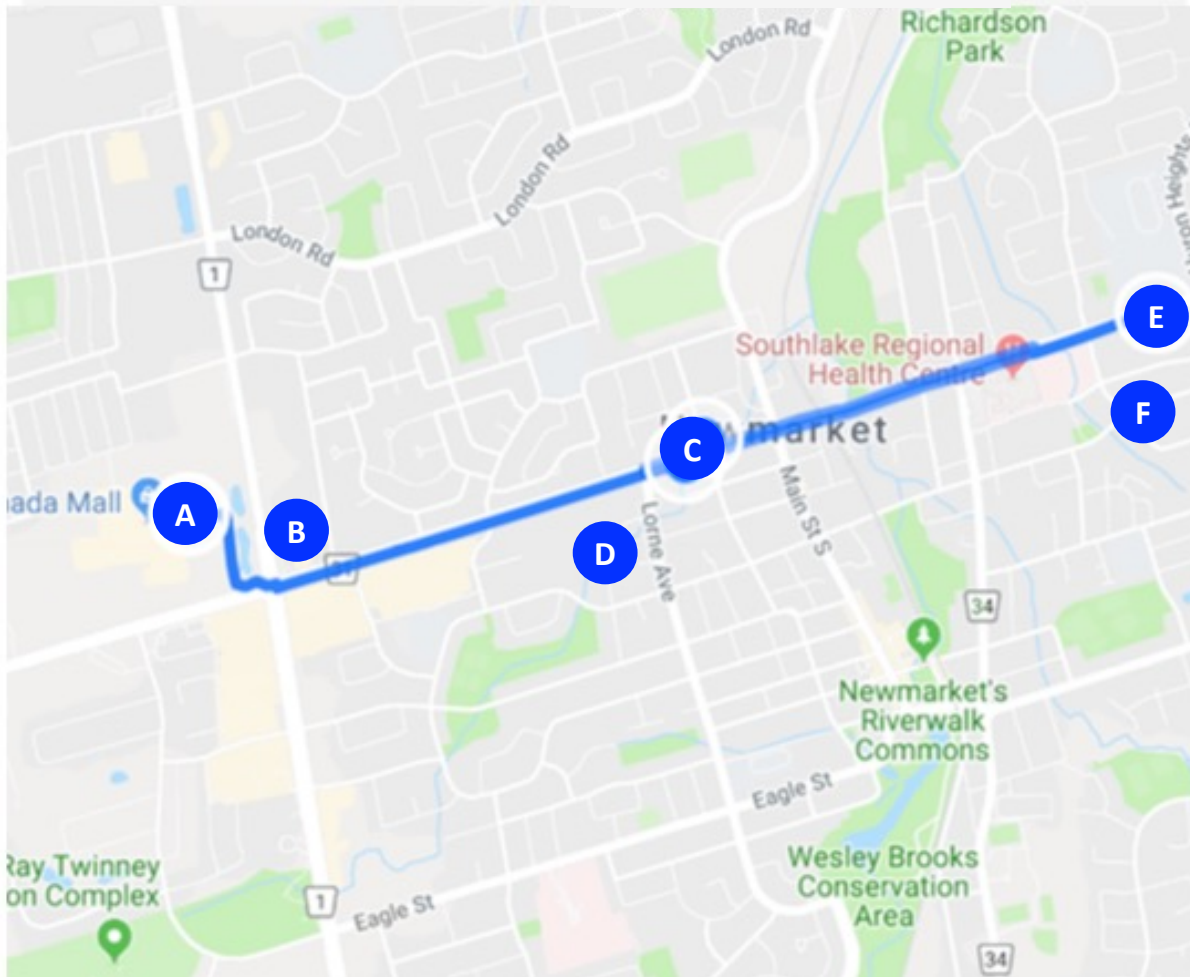


Map data provided by Statistics Canada.

# NEWMARKET, ON

WALK4FREEDOM  
2021

W4F



Stops along walk where we will pause & share facts & things to pause & reflect on:

**Starting & ending point A:** Upper Canada Mall (Davis & Yonge) – Meet up and Debrief location; UCM known to be a spot for traffickers looking to recruit young vulnerable women.

**B: Hotels/Motels** – hotels and motels are known transactional spaces for trafficking. Pimps and traffickers rent out a rooms and advertise the girls online. We need hotels/motels to see sex trafficking as a human right issue and learn the signs of sex trafficking to take the action to report it so that women who are trapped in it can obtain help needed.

**C: “Massage” Parlours** - On this street there are several known exotic massage parlours that F4F outreaches to. Often the women working in the parlours have language barriers and are forced/coerced into situations as many massage parlours employ international cases of trafficking.

**D: Residential Homes/Condos** – Airbnb’s often used as temporary stop overs

**E: Schools:** Elementary & high schools in Newmarket are often targets for traffickers in recruiting young vulnerable women.

**F: Businesses & Churches:** We need everyone (health care, businesses, churches, etc.) to join forces to help support victims of human trafficking and be more aware of the issues.

The background of the entire image is a photograph of a person's legs standing on a sandy beach. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a strong lens flare and casting a warm, golden light across the scene. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds. The person's legs are in the foreground, slightly out of focus, while the beach and ocean stretch out towards the horizon.

Join us on our  
Walk4Freedom!

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