

Swipe Right:

Meeting a Juvenile Sex Trafficking Victim on Tinder

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Today's Agenda

- 8:30 – 8:35: Vent about not having enough time to speak
- 8:35 – 8:47: Activity time!
- 8:47 – 8:59: Talk, talk, talk
- 8:59 – 9:15: Activity time!
- 9:15 – 9:25: Talk, talk, talk
- 9:25 – 9:30: Answer questions
 - Leave email for more questions
 - Vent about not having more time

Activity: Volunteers Needed

How do you feel about Katie?

- **Teacher – Katie:**
 - Hits kids on the playground who won't let them play with her
 - Is always in detention
- **Grandmother – Katie:**
 - Always cusses at her mother
 - Picks on her sister
- **Police Officer – Katie:**
 - Runs away from home often
- **Friend's Mother – Katie:**
 - Always keeps my daughter out later than curfew



Katie's Story

- **Katie:**
 - Has divorced parents;
 - Is being physically and verbally abused by one of her parents; and
 - Is being emotionally neglected by the absence of her parents in the home.

BEHAVIOR IS AN EXPRESSION OF A NEED

Robert Merton's Strain Theory

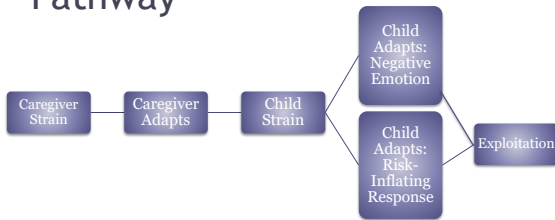
If someone has a lack of means to achieve social acceptance, he or she will become strained.

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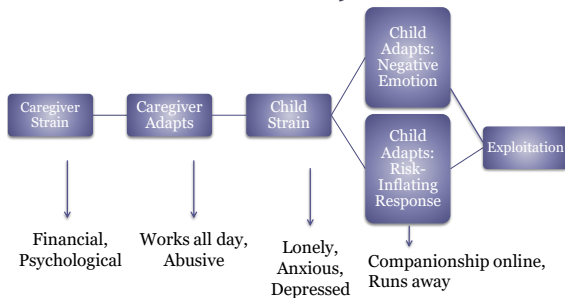
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**WHAT
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Strain-Reactive Pathway



Strain-Reactive Pathway



Activity: Volunteers Needed

Ashley's Story

, 18

87 miles away

tinder

Former Child Sex Worker and still trapped in the industry. Looking to spread awareness and make friends. Rude or disrespectful people will be blocked and reported.

- Mother
- Pimp 1
- Policeman
- Therapist
- YMCA Program Coordinator
- Nurse
- Pimp 2

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facebook

All I have ever wanted from anyone was support, I've only gotten hatred and pain. Everyone has taken, taken and taken from me, each man with a hidden agenda. I've known no one to trust, and no true support. I was born without a home, I've passed through thousands of people who stay for a minute and use my energy and resources until they leave, even aware of the pain I endure to reach the end result, which results in their favor. Every man has a wife, every father has a son, every son knows they have a home, I've never known anything of the sort. I've finally reached my breaking point, to the point where I know longer fear oblivion or hell. I say my peace and go quietly, because no one is looking and no one will see what has happened. I'm serving no purpose and I have no place here, I'm wasting time. Goodbye.

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Learned Helplessness



Prevention

Three Types of Prevention

- **Primary Prevention:** aims to reduce the incidence of trafficking.
- **Secondary Prevention:** aims to reduce the incidence of trafficking in populations at imminent risk.
- **Tertiary Prevention:** aims to reduce the incidence of trafficking amongst victims.



Questions ?

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