DC history of trafficking and missing persons

According to a July 2019 report from WUSA 9

- 2,000 children go missing in D.C. every year

According to a 2016 CJCC analysis on Human Trafficking in DC

- Human trafficking in DC almost always has ties to commercial sex trade
- Evidence has shown that victims of trafficking have been trafficked not only through DC, but throughout the entire District, Maryland, Virginia, sometimes into North Carolina by DC-based pimps
- In 2016, Maryland Police Department, FBI, and ICE-HIS investigated 259 reported incidents of trafficking; Maryland Police Department’s Human Trafficking Unit made 198 arrests on human trafficking related incidents
- Black females in their teens and 20s were identified of the majority of trafficking victims in 2016

According to a 2017 NPR (WAMU) report

- Either reporting is getting better or trafficking is occurring more frequently
  - Tina Frundt of Courtney’s House says she used to see 3-4 cases per week, now she sees closer to 8-9.
- 1 in 6 missing children reported as “runaways” end up in human trafficking and commercial sex