

HIDDEN HARM

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Modern slavery could be happening in your community, so it's important you know the signs that could indicate someone may be a victim of this crime.

- **How do they look?** Scruffy, dirty, malnourished, injured?
- **How are they acting?** Anxious, afraid, reluctant to talk?
- **What's their work situation like?** Long hours, unsuitable clothing, wrong equipment?
- **How's their accommodation?** Overcrowded, poorly maintained, curtains always closed?
- **What are their movements like?** Never leave the house alone, limited contact with friends and family, no access to money or identification?

If you think someone may be a victim of modern slavery tell someone. You will always be taken seriously. Protection and support is available.

Open your eyes to abuse.

For information on the signs of modern slavery go to thamesvalley.police.uk/hiddenharm

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