



Australian  
Red Cross

# Modern slavery happens in Australia

**You should be treated  
fairly at work**

Human trafficking, forced labour,  
servitude and debt bondage are  
all crimes in Australia.

Find out more at  
[redcross.org.au/workrighthub](https://redcross.org.au/workrighthub)



All workers in Australia have basic rights that are protected by law. These laws cover all workers including those from overseas, regardless of the length of their stay in Australia or visa type. Serious exploitation at work is a crime in Australia.

**If you or someone you know is:**

- Being forced to work or is not safe at work
- Working long hours with little time off
- Not having control over their earnings
- Paying off a large debt to a recruiter or employer for travel, accommodation, clothing, food, transport or work documents
- Not able to leave their place of work or negotiate conditions
- Being intimidated or threatened at work, such as being told they will be deported or that family members will be harmed
- Not able to access their passport or other identification documents
- Working in someone's house and rarely able to leave

## Help is available

If you or someone you know is being exploited, help is available.

For information or confidential advice please contact Australian Red Cross.

Call 1800 113 015 or email  
[national\\_stpp@redcross.org.au](mailto:national_stpp@redcross.org.au)

If it is an emergency or there is a threat to someone's safety call the police on 000.

To report a possible case of modern slavery call the Australian Federal Police on 131 237.

The Salvation Army can provide advice, support, and where eligible referral to the Support for Trafficked People Program. Call 1800 000 277 or visit [salvationarmy.org.au/additional-referral-pathway](https://salvationarmy.org.au/additional-referral-pathway)

For free and confidential legal advice, contact Anti-Slavery Australia on 02 9514 8115 or email [ASALegal@uts.edu.au](mailto:ASALegal@uts.edu.au)

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