

# Human Trafficking Near Public Schools

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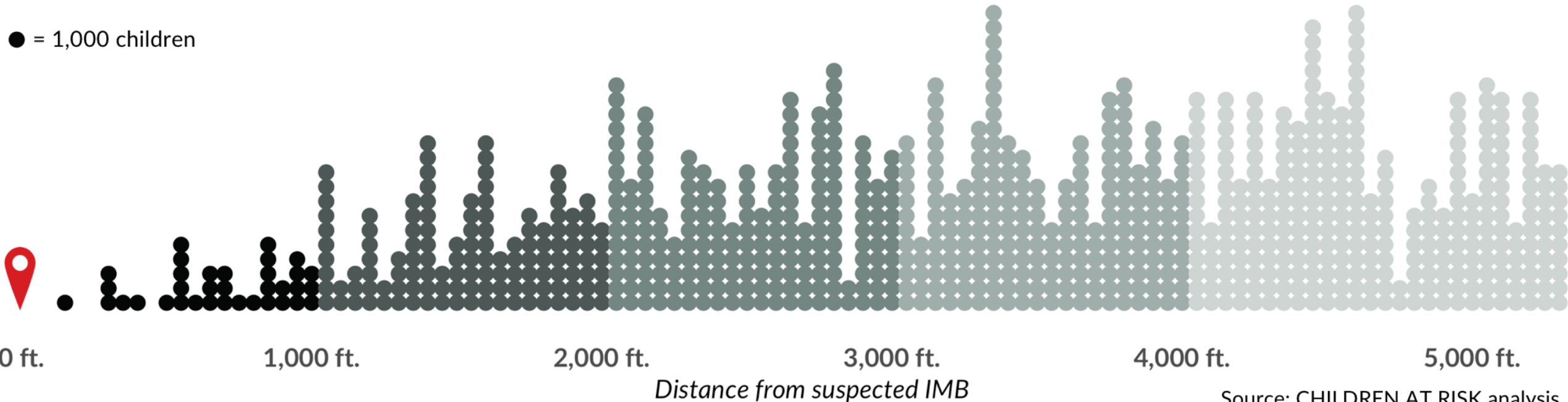
# Human trafficking near public schools

**35,000** Texas children attend school within 1,000 feet of a suspected illegal massage business (IMB)

*900,000 children attend school within a mile of a suspected front for human trafficking*

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● = 1,000 children



Source: CHILDREN AT RISK analysis  
of data from RubMaps.com

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# What is a suspected IMB?

- Massage establishments illegally selling sexual services
- Most are unlicensed
- Human trafficking operations: Women trapped through force, fraud, and coercion
- **Methodology:**
  - *RubMaps.com*: “Yelp” for commercial sex at massage businesses
  - Users exchange reviews and feedback on IMBs
  - We identified all businesses listed as open, not listed as “non-erotic,” and had at least 1 review

# Sample reviews from RubMaps.com

*To me this place is kind of like Disneyland, I feel like a big ol kid here. I walk in and ask ask [mamma-san] for a line up she puts me in the first room on the left and closes the door, she comes back and the first thing I see are 3 naughty girls.*

- Platinum Rainbow Spa in Dallas, 3/09/18

*The mamasan made her take me to the room, she left me there and came back when I was ready for the action...I kept [redacted] her for a while... trying to control of the pace until I thought it was enough... [the victim] acted... passive the whole time..."*

- Hi Butterfly Massage in Dallas, 2/28/18



WHERE FANTASY MEETS REALITY

SEARCH: (suggestion Erotic massage Lewisville, Asian massage Lewisville)

Any State

Search

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» Message parlors Richardson TX » Bamboo Massage

Other locations

Richardson massage parlors:

Asian Massage

I Foot And Body Massage

Q Foot Spa

Mei Massage

Panda Massage Therapy

AA Foot Spa

Bodyworks LTD

Moon Health

Dragon Foot Relax

Kim Spa

Foot Spa

G Health Center

Feet Relax

International Health Spa

Pure Massage

My Foot Spa

Serendipity Therapy

Xin Wang Spa

Dreamworks

Sunny Massage

All Richardson massage parlors

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So what gives....?

Bamboo Massage in Richardson, Texas

Distance to this

15 reviews

★★★★★

LEAVE A REVIEW

ADD TO FAVORITES

Masseuse Style: Asian, Chinese

Cards Accepted: Visa, Mastercard, Discover, American Express

Sauna: No

Jacuzzi: No

Semi-Truck Parking: No

30 min: \$40

60 min: \$60

90 min: \$100

Address: 1551 E Spring Valley Rd, Suite 151 Richardson, Texas 75081

Get Driving Directions

Phone Number: 972-231-7901

REPORT

Hours: Open now

Daily 9:30am - 9:30pm



MP reviews (15)Comments (1)Member photosTexas Forum

Reveal All

samhyde

Rating ★★★★★

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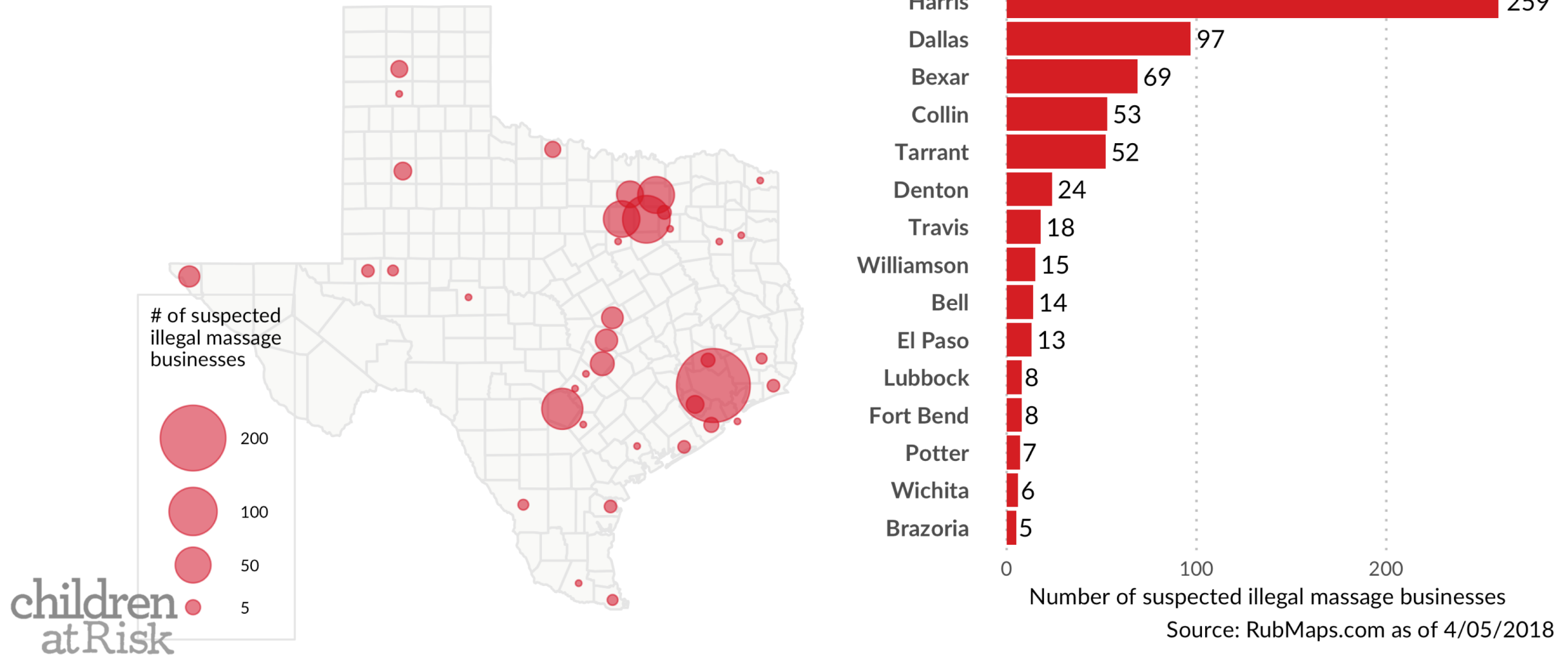
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# Dallas County has second highest concentration of suspected IMBs

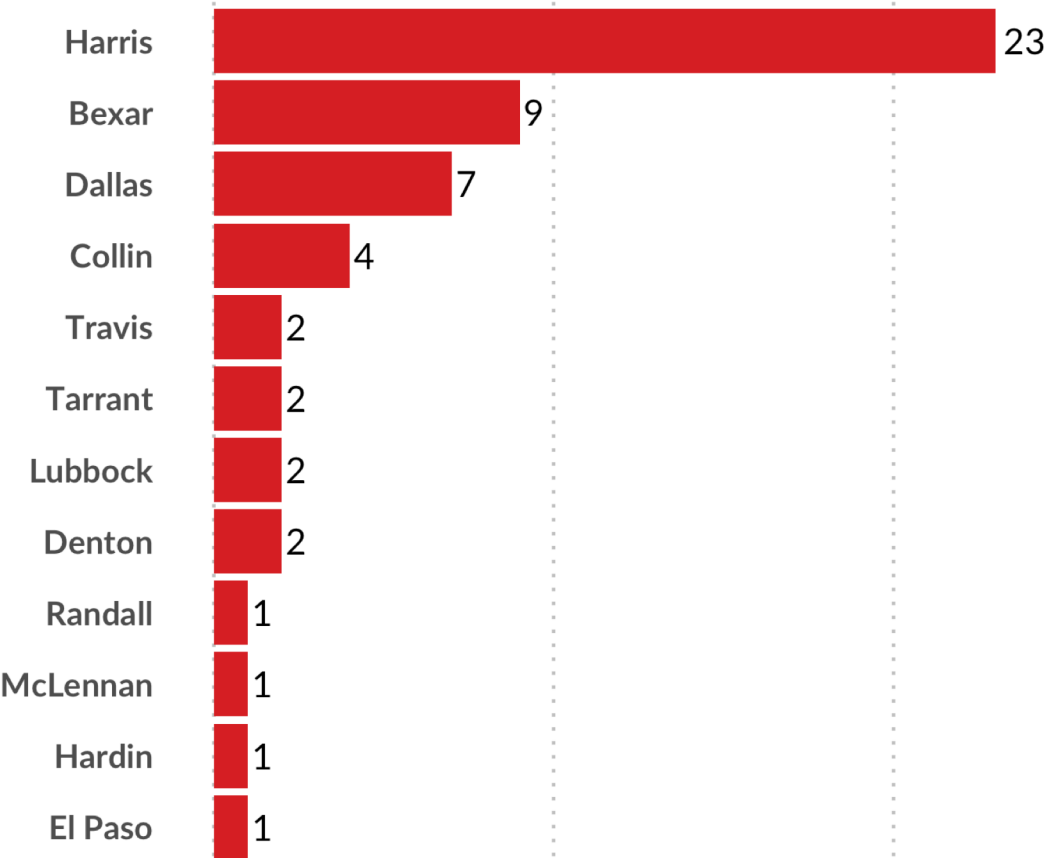
## Suspected illegal massage businesses by county



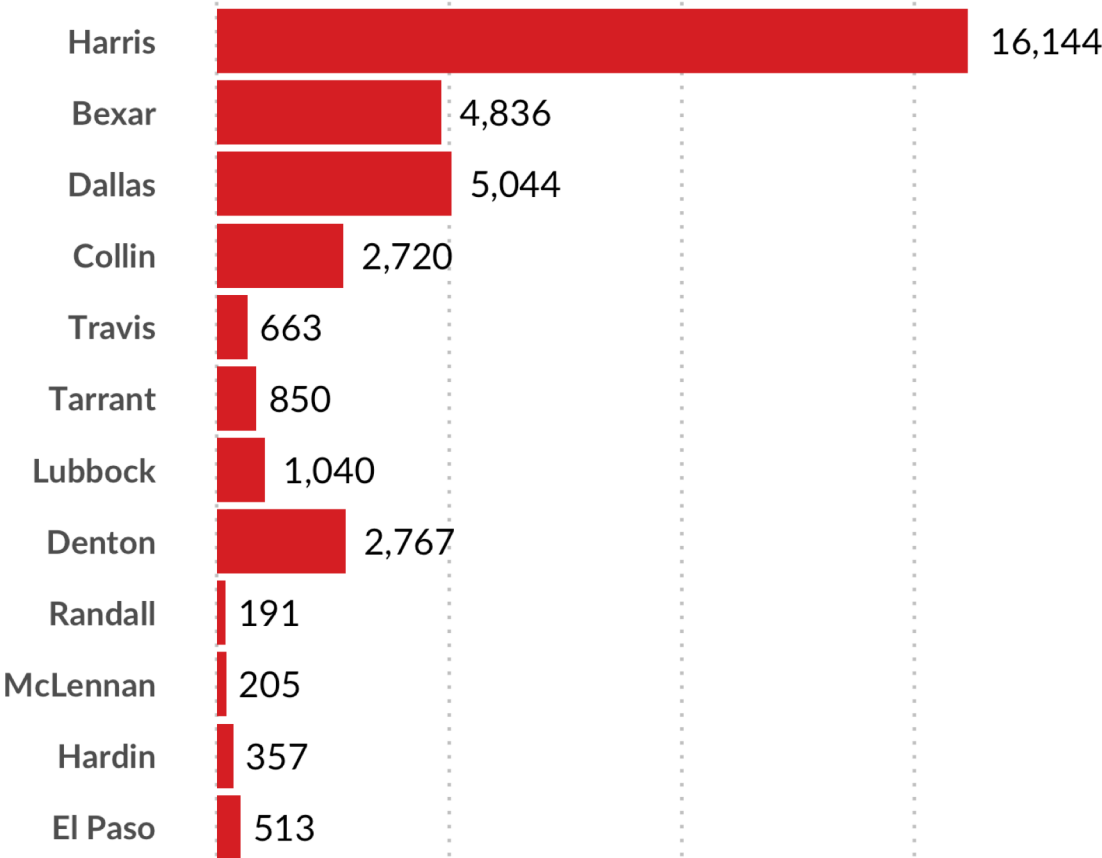
# Over 5,000 children in Dallas County attend school within 1,000 feet of a suspected IMB

## Schools and students within 1,000 feet of a suspected illegal massage business

Number of SCHOOLS



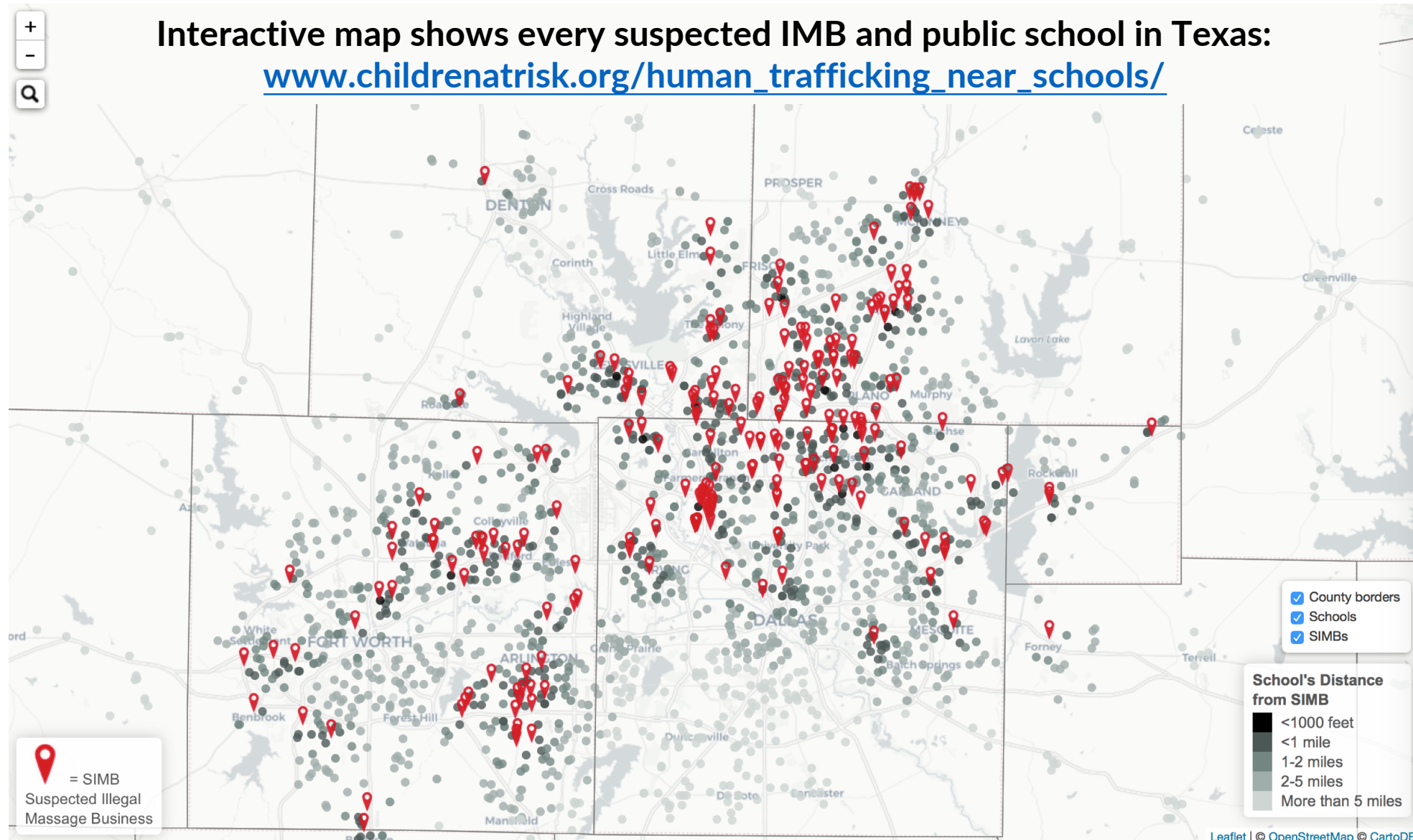
Number of STUDENTS



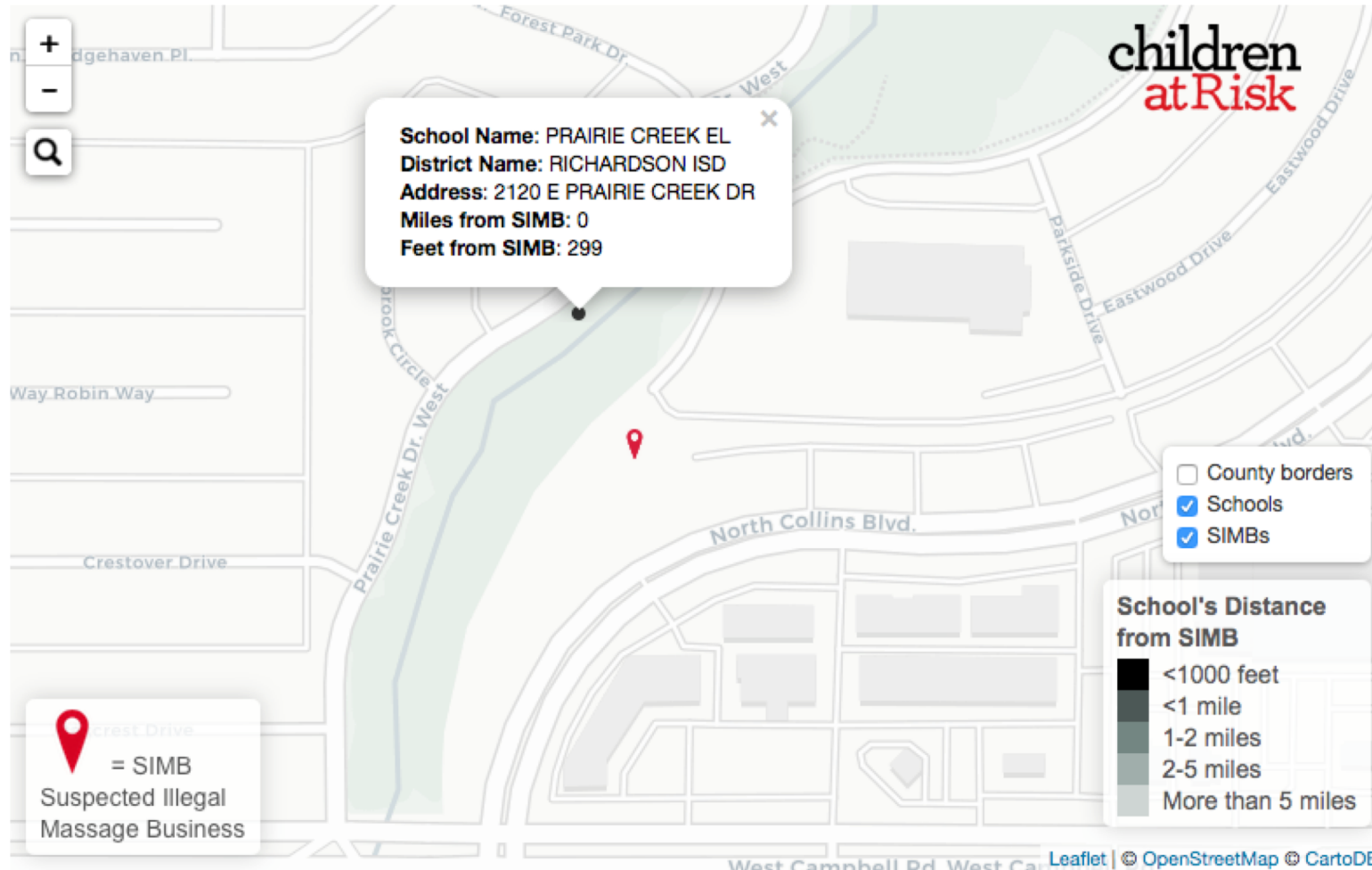
# Over **12,000 children** in North Texas region attend school within 1,000 feet of a suspected IMB

Interactive map shows every suspected IMB and public school in Texas:

[www.childrenatrisk.org/human\\_trafficking\\_near\\_schools/](http://www.childrenatrisk.org/human_trafficking_near_schools/)

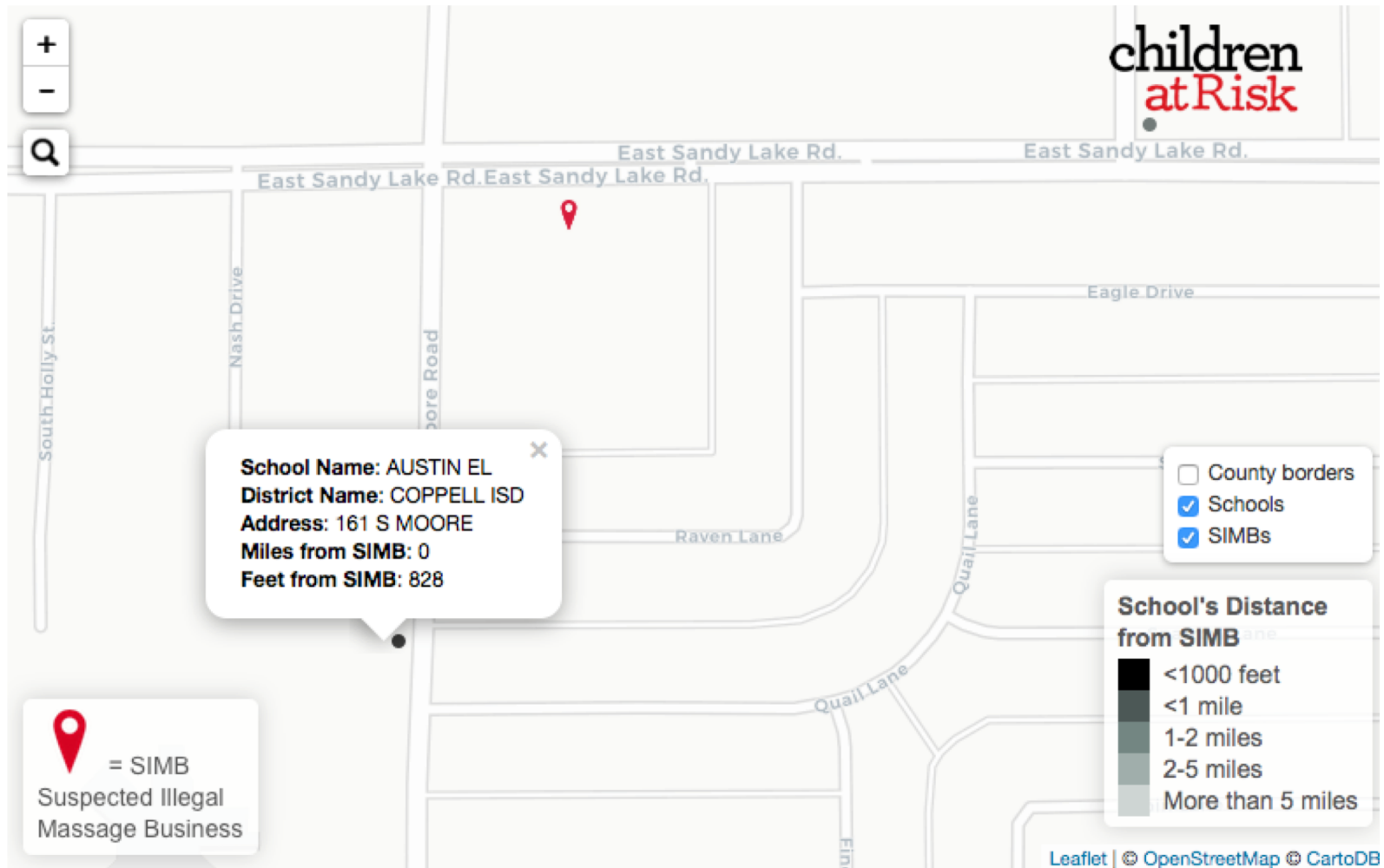


# Prairie Creek Elementary – Richardson ISD



- 299 feet from **Serendipity Therapy**
- 19 reviews
- Reviews describe oral sex, sexual stimulation, and groping

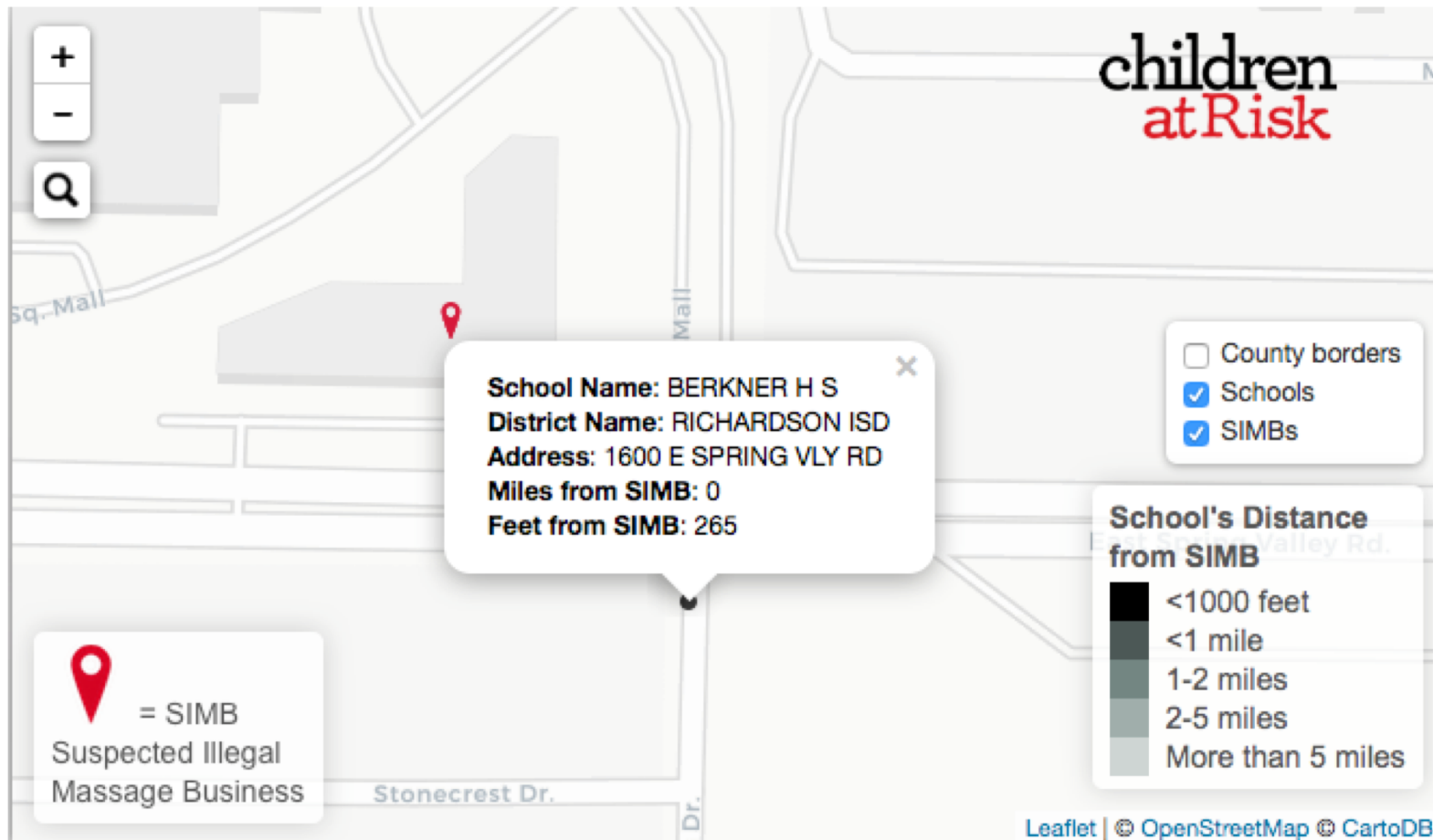
# Austin Elementary – Coppell ISD



- 828 feet from **Apex Massage**
- 7 reviews
- Reviews describe sexual stimulation and groping

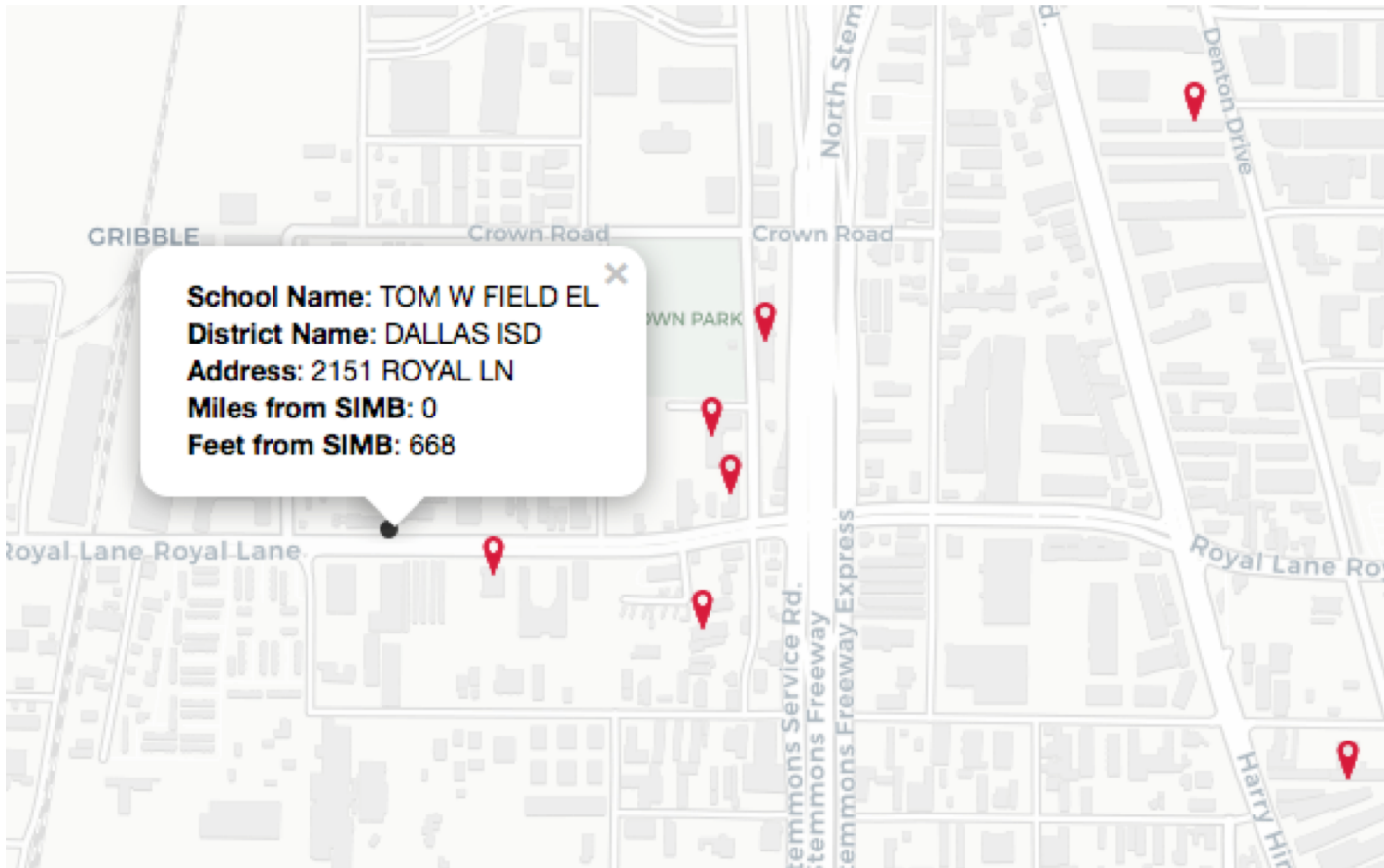


# Berkner High School – Richardson ISD



- 265 feet from **Bamboo Massage**
- 15 reviews
- Reviews describe sexual stimulation and groping

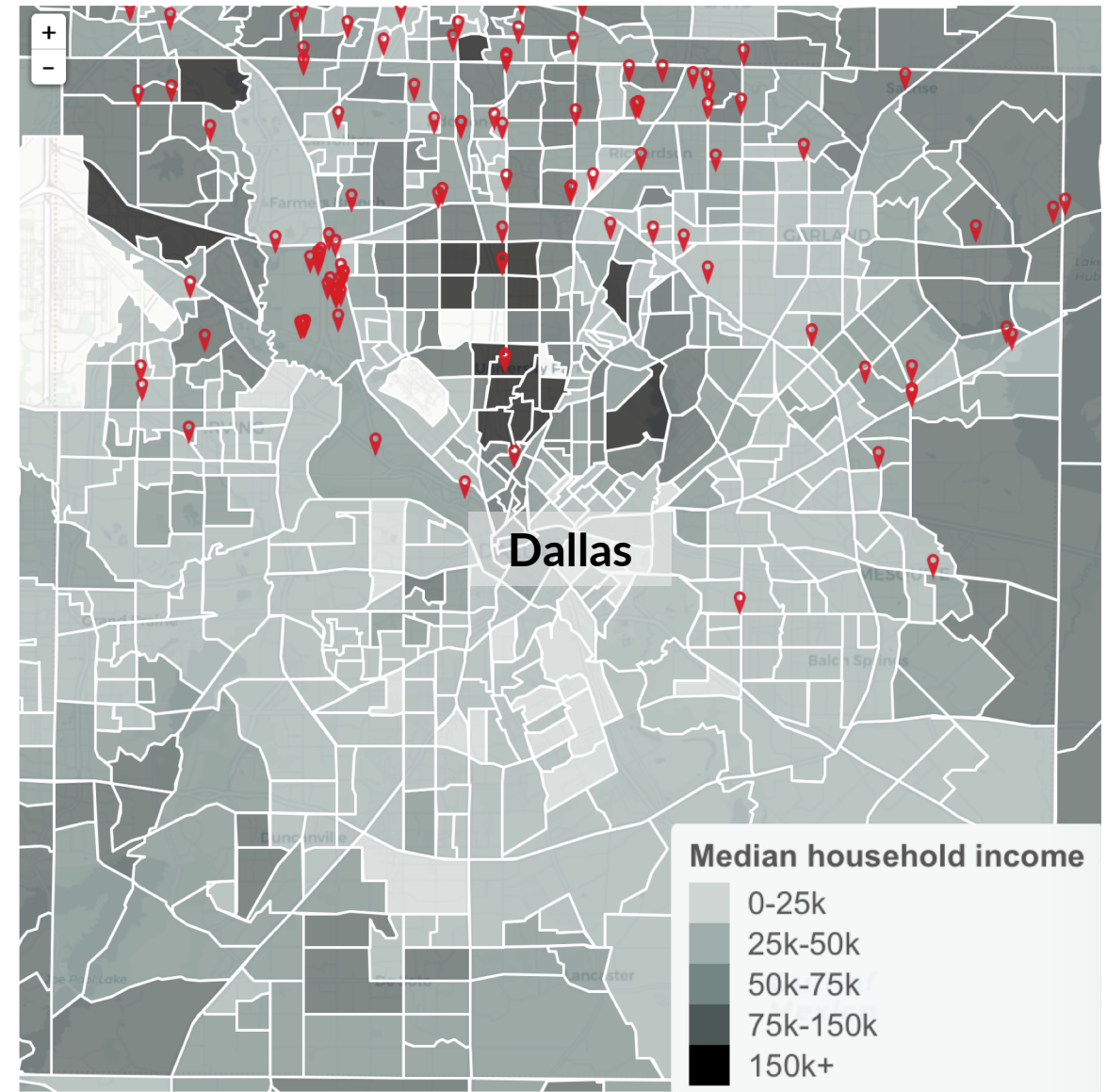
# Tom W Field Elementary in Dallas ISD is within *half a mile* of **5** suspected IMBs



- 668 feet from **Royal Foot Massage**
- 4 reviews
- Reviews describe sexual stimulation, and groping
- Half mile from **Hi Butterfly Massage**
- 54 reviews
- Reviews describe vaginal and oral sex, sexual stimulation, and groping

# In Dallas County, suspected IMBs are concentrated in **affluent** neighborhoods

On average, median household incomes in neighborhoods with suspected IMBs are **\$16,000 higher** than those with none.



## **Policy proposals:**

### Training for school board trustees

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- Schoolboard trustees must be required to undergo human trafficking training.
- A training curriculum for teachers has already been developed by the state but is rarely used as it was not mandated.
- Trustees who know about this issue and the dangers it presents will be far more likely to require that teachers be trained to spot and report signs of human trafficking.

## Policy proposals: Penalties for property owners

- CHILDREN AT RISK passed measures to make it easier for local governments to close IMBs using **nuisance and abatement lawsuits**.
  - But provisions that would have held property owners more accountable were weakened by key legislators—including a few from North Texas.
- Proposed steps:
  - Lessen the notification burden when it comes to property owners and nuisance and abatement suits.
  - Other commercial tenants in the same shopping center should be able to break lease without consequences if property owner leases to an unlicensed massage establishment (ME)
  - Registration by property owner with the state, county and city if leasing to ME
  - Whether the business is licensed should be a required question on lease under state law; a false answer should have a criminal penalty attached



## **Policy proposals:**

### **Deceptive trade practice lawsuits**

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- A major bill was passed last session (HB 2552) that makes it a **deceptive trade practice** for an unlicensed business to hold itself out as a massage establishment.
- The Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General's Office needs to begin enforcing this fantastic new law and suing IMBs.

## **Policy proposals:**

### **City ordinances regulating massage establishments**

- **Dallas'** city ordinances on massage establishments are outdated.
  - Need to be brought into compliance with state laws and enforced.
  - No reference to the state-issued license nor any requirement that an operator even have the state-issued license
  - Under the existing ordinance scheme the entire burden of licensing and investigation is placed on the police department.
- **Fort Worth** has no ordinances regulating massage establishments, other than zoning.

## **Policy proposals:**

### Compassionate response to victims

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- It is time for Texas to provide a compassionate response to victims and acknowledge that crimes—such as prostitution—committed by victims in the course of their being trafficked are not their fault.
- Texas needs a **set aside law** to allow victims to vacate convictions and expunge their records if they can show that but for being trafficked, they would not have committed these crimes.
- **These women are hostages—not criminals.**

# Community Response

- Parents and concerned citizens can go to the Texas Department of Licensing and Registration (TDLR), search for suspected IMBs to see whether they are unlicensed, and **report unlicensed MBs** to TDLR.
- People can also **report any disturbances or strange activities** outside suspected IMBs to TDLR through their website.

<https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/>



To learn more and explore the map, visit:  
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