End Trafficking

**What Is Human Trafficking?**

Human trafficking is a form of modern-day *slavery* that subjects children, women, and men to *force, fraud, or coercion* for the purpose of commercial sexual exploitation or forced labor. This horrific practice can include *prostitution, pornography, and sex tourism* as well as *labor* for domestic service, factory or construction work, and *migrant farming*.

According to some estimates, up to **1/2 of all human trafficking victims may be children**.

*Human trafficking has been reported in all 50 states in the U.S.*

The U.S. is a source, destination, and transit point for trafficking victims.

**Victims suffer from physical, emotional, and sexual abuse** and rarely have access to an education or to health care.

**Supply & Demand**

The high demand for cheap goods and commercial sex puts children around the world at risk of becoming the “supply.”

*Human trafficking is the 2nd largest criminal industry in the world reaping an estimated $32 billion in the trade of human beings.*

**Labor Trafficking** occurs in a wide variety of industries. *Sex trafficking* is facilitated in numerous ways.

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1 in 3 children is solicited for sex within 48 hours of running away or becoming homeless in the U.S., according to some runaway groups.
WHAT CAN I DO?
THREE WAYS TO TAKE ACTION:

1. Join or start a UNICEF club at your high school or college. Visit volunteers.unicefusa.org/activities/high-school-club or volunteers.unicefusa.org/activities/campus.

2. Find out how many slaves work for you. Slavery Footprint’s website allows consumers to understand how their purchases may connect them. Take the site’s survey and use their action center and mobile app to raise your voice for ethically sourced products. Visit slaveryfootprint.org.

3. Keep Learning. Visit unicefusa.org/endtrafficking and notmylife.org to learn more about what UNICEF and other organizations are doing to protect children.

HOW UNICEF HELPS:
UNICEF works in more than 150 countries to help children survive and to protect them from violence, exploitation, and abuse. To combat child trafficking, UNICEF strives to reduce factors that place children and families at risk in the first place.

UNICEF PROJECTS...

...help governments strengthen child protection systems
...ensure that child victims are placed in safe environments and provided with social services, health care, and psychosocial support
...support the training of social workers, health workers, police and border officials to spot signs of trafficking and to treat children with dignity
...work with communities and faith-based organizations to change harmful societal practices that increase children’s vulnerabilities to trafficking

ABOUT THE U.S. FUND FOR UNICEF
The U.S. Fund for UNICEF saves and protects the lives of children by supporting UNICEF’s work through fundraising, advocacy, and education in the United States. The End Trafficking project is the U.S. Fund for UNICEF’s initiative to raise awareness about human trafficking and mobilize communities to take meaningful action to help protect children. For more information, please contact endtrafficking@unicefusa.org.