

# Ending Child Trafficking

## UNICEF and the U.S. Fund for UNICEF in Action



A boy and a girl carry pumice stones out of an underground volcanic mine, near the southern city of Arequipa, Peru.

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### Overview

Human trafficking has been likened to 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.

Around the world, it is estimated that 27 million people are enslaved. The International Labor Organization estimates that there are 5.5 million child victims of trafficking. This is not just a global issue—it is a local one as well. Human trafficking has been reported in all 50 states in the U.S.

*Trafficking of children is a grave violation of their rights, robbing them of their childhoods, their well-being, and the opportunity to reach their full potential.*

—DR. SUSAN BISSELL,  
CHIEF OF CHILD  
PROTECTION, UNICEF

### Globally

Active in child protection in more than 150 countries, UNICEF is the primary UN agency focusing on the rights of children. UNICEF approaches trafficking as a serious violation of these rights. UNICEF works closely with partners and governments at the national and local level to:

- 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

### End Trafficking Project

The End Trafficking project is the U.S. Fund for UNICEF's initiative to raise awareness of child trafficking and mobilize communities to take meaningful action to help protect children. In partnership with GFWC and other groups and individuals, the End Trafficking project puts children first, aiming for a day when there are no exploited children. The End Trafficking project:

- Creates resources to educate and mobilize communities to take local action
- Conducts online and in-person training for youth and community members on how to recognize trafficking
- Advocates for stronger legislation to protect children on a state and federal level
- Trains 18 Global Citizenship Fellows to educate and advocate about trafficking around the country



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UNICEF supporters participate in a walk in Boston to raise funds to end trafficking.

# GFWC and the U.S. Fund for UNICEF

The General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) is an international women's organization dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service. Since it was founded in 1890, GFWC has been a unifying force. In all 50 states and more than a dozen countries, GFWC members work locally to create global change.

For over six decades, GFWC has supported UNICEF's efforts to ensure access to clean water, proper sanitation facilities, health services, education, and protection for the world's most vulnerable children.

In June 2015, GFWC and the U.S. Fund for UNICEF launched a new partnership dedicated to supporting and participating in the U.S. Fund for UNICEF's End Trafficking project.

To donate or learn more about our work, please visit [unicefusa.org/gfwc](http://unicefusa.org/gfwc).

## How can you have an impact?

The support of the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) will enable the U.S. Fund for UNICEF to continue its critical work to educate Americans and mobilize communities to take action to end human trafficking. GFWC members and chapters can:

- Donate to support the continuation of the End Trafficking project. Use the donate form below or visit [unicefusa.org/gfwc](http://unicefusa.org/gfwc).
- Learn how to spot the signs of trafficking. Download the End Trafficking postcard at [unicefusa.org/endtrafficking](http://unicefusa.org/endtrafficking).

- Use End Trafficking resources to educate and mobilize. They are free to download on the U.S. Fund for UNICEF website.
- Hold a screening of *Not My Life*. Facilitate a discussion afterward about ways to take action. Email [endtrafficking@unicefusa.org](mailto:endtrafficking@unicefusa.org) to learn how you can get a copy of the film and discussion guide.
- Make your meetings Fair Trade! Visit [fairtradeusa.org](http://fairtradeusa.org) to identify fair trade coffee, tea, chocolate, and other products you can serve that are made without child or slave labor.
- Advocate! Visit [unicefusa.org/help/advocate/end-child-trafficking](http://unicefusa.org/help/advocate/end-child-trafficking).



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