

Rescue® THEORY&CHANGE

. Root Problem

Vulnerabilities are leveraged to sexually exploit and traffic children.

Vulnerabilities

Physical

Children are orphaned, abandoned, abused, neglected, or fleeing unsafe environments

Power

Family violence, forced displacement, regional conflicts, and gender disparities set children up for perpetrator grooming

Poverty

Extreme economic instability and nonexistent social safety nets leave children hungry, homeless, and desperate

Social

Cultural, religious, or societal norms contribute to exploitation and isolate children, especially girls

2. Action

Children are identified and **RESCUED** from exploitative situations. The vulnerabilities that led to exploitation are triaged and addressed via one of three paths to freedom.

Rescue

Paths

Undercover Investigations

in-person and online, often in collaboration with local law enforcement

Transit Monitoring

at international borders

Street Rescue

to find children in high-risk areas who are selling themselves to survive

Enroll

Local community care and residential options with health checks, trauma resilience training, and economic empowerment solutions

Reunify

Return to the care of their families

Entrust

Cared for by trusted NGO or government partners

Access to Justice

Assist victims navigating the justice system

3. Outcomes

Child survivors experience increased stability in key areas that **PROTECT** them from re-victimization, encounter the love of Jesus Christ, and know their worth and value.

Freedom

Children Are Safe

Not at immediate risk of exploitation and basic physical needs met, often dependent on economic stability

Survivors' Wellbeing Is Cared For

Emotional, spiritual, and behavioral wellness and connection to life-giving relationships

Exploitation Is Diminished

Fewer

exploited children, unchecked perpetrators and unmonitored trafficking sectors

More

safe and alert communities, secure survivors and empowered generations

4. Impact

Survivors live a full life free from exploitation, wisely mentor the next generation, and inspire change in their families and communities.





Resources

People and communities desire to fight exploitation, but are under-resourced and slow-moving against complex, adaptive perpetrator networks

Equip

partners through education, training, collaboration, technology, and advocacy that fuels rescue efforts

Assist government agencies in compiling strong cases against perpetrators and for survivors' rights

People & Communities are Resourced to Rescue

and assist exploited children, and aid justice systems in protecting their communities

