

# Rescue<sup>®</sup> THEORY&CHANGE

# Root Problem

Vulnerabilities are leveraged to sexually exploit and traffic children.

# **Vulnerabilities**

# **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

# **3**. Outcomes

Child survivors experience increased stability in key areas that **PROTECT** them from re-victimisation. and encounter support from caring adults who help them see their worth and value.

# Freedom

# Physical

Children are orphaned, abandoned, abused, nealected. 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

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

# Reunifv

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

# **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

safe and alert communities. secure survivors

More

and empowered generations

# 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

# CHILDREN



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