

Love146 Program Impact Report

July 2015- June 2016

Philippines Survivor Care: The Round Home

The Love146 Round Home is uniquely built and designed to facilitate the restoration and holistic health of every child entering its doors. The approach to running the home is attuned to the needs of the exploited and traumatized child, which include both the needs of ordinary children as well as children who have been wounded in many ways, lack hope, are broken, lack opportunities and self-worth. The Round Home endeavors to keep the child safe and well provided for, instill hope, effect healing and restoration, promote growth and development, facilitate the release of potentials, and enable the child to come full circle, liberated from her traumas and sufferings, to realize her innate worth. The physical structure of the Round Home is intended to promote reflectiveness, a sense of peace, freedom, dignity and self-esteem, as well as playfulness so that children can simply be children again. The Round Home also aims to be a safe base from which the girls can derive the strength and courage to later tackle the world outside.

Volume

Children directly impacted

- 13 clients currently in the home, 1 which is a new client
- 1 client has been reintegrated this year
- 71 clients served in total (inclusive of the 13 above), which includes 9 babies (of clients) since Love146 began partnership / funding

Depth

Evidence of significant transformation in a child's life:

- The health of the girls is monitored on an ongoing basis. Health issues have been resolved or are in the process of being resolved.
- All school-age girls are either in public schools or home study programs. They have dreams/plans of who/what they want to be in the future.
 - *"I want to study hard so that someday I will be a lawyer who will defend children who suffered like I did."*
 - *"I want to be a nurse someday so I can help in the nursing activities in the Round Home."*
 - *"I want to be a flight stewardess and go to different countries."*
 - *"I am studying well so I can be a professional and help my family."*
- All girls are studying music or a musical instrument. They take pride in their newly found talent and ability, thus their self-worth has acquired a new dimension,
 - *"I was very happy during our concert because I saw that the sponsors were happy. It was a time for us to give back to them."*
 - *"The Round Home gave me the opportunity to discover my talents. I can now play the octavina well."*
- All girls are engaged in gardening and farming activities. Caring for animals and plants has given them ideas for future livelihood/business, developed their concern for other creatures, and enlightened them about their other abilities and possible roles in society, thus empowering them and giving them confidence to deal with future life outside the safehome.
 - *"I now know how to raise mushrooms. When I go back to my family, we can do this as our business."*
 - *"I am looked after in the Round Home very well. I should also look after the goats very well."*

- *“I feel good every time I see the chickens happy to see me and running to me to be fed, and I feed them well so they won’t starve like I did when I was still on the street.”*
- *“That little chick survived the storm and continued to live. I can be as strong as that little chick and also survive the storms in my life.”*
- One infant was rescued from being trafficked on the street by her mother. The mother is now institutionalized in a government facility for women, awaiting legal processes to be initiated by the government. The infant is currently doing well at the Round Home.

Evidence that this project benefits the community beyond direct involvement:

- Our work with homeless street families in the past several years has enabled us to establish a relationship with them and provide some livelihood assistance, send some of the street children to school, raise the community’s awareness of issues on children, and importantly led to some victimized girls from the street being admitted into the Round Home.
- Some girls from the Round Home who have been reintegrated with their families and are now part of their community continue to be monitored and given livelihood, schooling, or counseling assistance in order to be more viable in their communities. They are now self-respecting and productive members of their community, rather than the at-risk children they once were.
- In the rural community where the Round Home and White Home are located, the Love146 girls and boys are known in school to be good role models in behavior and academic performance. Moreover, the Love146 music ensemble is invited to perform at school events such as graduation and other celebrations.
- In both the urban and rural communities where we work, we have established a good relationship and partnership with the people and the officials, and we have made firm the reputation that we are here to protect, defend, and restore the children.
- Most of the employees in the Round Home come from the rural community where the Round Home is located. Thus, the Round Home has generated jobs for these rural people.

Evidence that this project benefits the target constituents:

- Our commitment to provide holistic, high quality care for children has resulted in the Round Home receiving the “Best NGO” award for two consecutive years, nationwide and regional. Our efforts at reintegration and community-based operations have also received the highest accreditation ratings from the government.
- Children were asked about special moments in their lives.
 - *“The special moment in my life was my first day here in the Round Home because I felt that I am special. It was here where I learned everything. It was here where I learned to respect and raise animals. It’s here where I experience to be happy and to have a complete family. I am thankful because I was able to pursue my studies, whereas before, I was just wandering in the street. It was also here in the Round Home where I learned to play an instrument, dance and sing, which I can be proud of.”*
 - *“Performing in the concert was the special moment in my life. I was able to show my talents in playing an instrument, singing and dancing. I was glad at that time because I was not the only one who felt happy but others did as well. In the concert, I realized that simple sharing of talent is also a blessing to other people because I can bring them happiness and inspiration.”*

Evidence of collaboration and partnership:

- We have implemented a multidisciplinary approach in caring for the girls. They are regularly brought to partner psychiatrists for evaluation, monitoring, and intervention. They are also brought to partner medical doctors and dentists for health concerns, whenever the need arises.

A professional dietician approves the monthly menu. There is regular communication with their schoolteachers to discuss progress and any problems.

- We have maintained close collaboration with the concerned officers of the Department of Social Welfare and Development on issues that pertain to the girls' families and placement.
- We have ongoing cooperation with the Department of Justice and the National Bureau of Investigation regarding some of the girls' legal cases.
- We have an agreement with the local village officials, where the Round Home is located, that they would assist us whenever the need arises.

Philippines Survivor Care: The White Home

The Love146 White Home provides holistic care for boys within a safe home setting and is characterized by the same care provided for girls in the Round Home. The White Home began organically through grassroots efforts, when boys asked us to look after them. Because it is out of their own volition and their own undertaking, the boys are taking responsibility for themselves; they have a sense of ownership in the process. They are zealous about their education, part-time livelihood, and improvement of character – the very programs that comprise a safe home and make it viable, that prevent exploitation and improve lives.

Volume

Children directly impacted

- 9 clients in the WH, 2 which were new clients this year
- 1 client has been reintegrated this year
- 25 clients (inclusive of the current 9) in total since the boys shelter began operating

Depth

Evidence of significant transformation in a child's life:

- All of the boys were trafficked because they come from very poor families and often, there was nothing to eat at home. They were not in school, did not have birth certificates, and had unattended health issues. Now, they are physically cared for, are counseled regularly, are in school, have birth certificates that ensure their identity and rights as citizens, and are discovering their potentials in arts, music, and academics.
- The boys continue to grow in self-awareness, in potential and in abilities, and their plans for their futures. One boy said,
 - *"Before, I was just dreaming to go to school, because my parents couldn't afford to send me to school due to poverty. I was sad whenever I saw children in uniform going to school. But when I was brought here in the White Home, I was extremely grateful because my dream to study came true. So now that I am studying, I have the courage to face every trial in life, because I know that this will give me a bright future. I am thankful to Love146 because it is only here that I learned to dream for myself. Someday, I will help my father to earn for our family and buy the things that my family needs."*

Evidence that this project benefits the community beyond direct involvement:

- Love146 conducted monthly community seminars for street dwellers and reintegrated clients of Manila. The seminars focused on the prevention of child trafficking, creation of a child friendly environment, and relevant health issues and legal concerns. The aim is to enable the participants to become catalysts of change as they implement their lessons and insights, share the same with others, and advocate for the elimination of child exploitation, which is rampant in the

community. Love146 also provided school supplies, school uniforms and scholarships for the reintegrated clients, as well as other street community children, in the belief that education serves as a protective factor from exploitation. Love146 provides livelihood assistance to the reintegrated clients and other community members in order to provide them with an additional or alternative source of income, which is one way of improving their lives and preventing them from resorting to illegal activities, to earn money.

- Some of the boys have been reintegrated and Love146 continues to help with their schooling. They model to the community a picture of perseverance despite the odds.

Evidence that this project benefits the target constituents:

- Boys talked about how Love146 has changed their lives and given them a sense of control. They felt that they were at the mercy of the world and had nothing in themselves to sway the outcome of outside influences. Now they have a different view of self that speaks of an inner peace and self-confidence.
 - *“Love146 has made a great contribution to my total change. They molded me as a person with good values. I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to pursue my studies. I am also grateful for the trust and undying support. I will not waste the opportunity given to me.”*
 - *“I want other children to be able to go to school like me until they finish their studies. I don’t want them to be like I was before when I was still on the street. And I want them to have patience and perseverance in their studies.”*
- Among those that we have reintegrated, none have gone back to a life of exploitation.

Evidence of collaboration and partnership:

- We have implemented a multidisciplinary team approach in caring for the boys. They are regularly brought to partner psychiatrists for evaluation, monitoring, and intervention. They are brought to partner medical doctors and dentists for health concerns, as needed. A professional dietician approves the monthly menu. We are in regular communication with their schoolteachers to discuss progress and problems.
- We have maintained close collaboration with the Department of Social Welfare and Development on issues that pertain to the boys’ families and placement.
- We have coordination with partner agencies regarding their legal cases.
- We have agreement with the local village officials where the White Home is located, so that they can provide assistance to us whenever the need arises.

U.S. Survivor Care: Connecticut

In 2013, Love146 conducted a comprehensive environmental scan of the service needs and resources available to youth who were confirmed and suspected survivors of human trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation (HT/CSE) in Connecticut. Recognizing a significant gap in services for this population, Love146 responded by piloting a Survivor Care Program. Love146’s Survivor Care Program is designed to provide and connect confirmed and suspected survivors to trauma-informed, individualized, and comprehensive services that contribute to their overall recovery and restoration.

Love146’s Connecticut Survivor Care Program is unique in that it develops a care plan for each youth designed to best meet youth’s personal needs and support them in their home communities. Working closely with state agencies and other community providers, Love146 helps ensure that youth are enrolled in school, advocates if special education and medical services are needed, and works to identify and build the capacity of caregivers (biological/foster/adoptive

parents and kin caregivers) and service providers so that they can better support survivors as they reintegrate into their home communities.

Youth who have been trafficked are at high-risk for further exploitation; thus, one of the first things we tell a youth is, “We go where you go. That means if you move placements, or foster homes, or run away and come back, we will always be there.” Never closing a case, Love146 is committed to always being a safe space and support for the youth we serve.

In addition to providing long-term, trauma-informed, intensive wraparound services, the Love146 Connecticut Survivor Care Program offers one time “Rapid Responses” information and safety-planning meetings to confirmed and suspected survivors. During a Rapid Response, Love146 gives youth information on HT/CSE, the grooming process, internet safety, and healthy relationships. Love146 also provides youth with printed resource materials that have national hotline numbers youth can call in cases of emergency. Each youth is also given a Rapid Response Backpack, filled with generously donated items including a blanket, an emergency phone, a journal, a rain poncho, a teddy bear, toiletries, a stress ball, and other supplies both youth and service providers identified as being critical for this population. Following all Rapid Responses, Love146 offers caregivers and providers individualized recommendations for future services that can support youth as they continue their recovery and restoration.

Lastly, Love146 offers case consultations, working closely with state agencies and other providers serving confirmed and suspected survivors of HT/CSE. Through this process, Love146 helps providers identify appropriate and available resources to meet the unique needs of individual youth. Love146 also helps providers better understand the dynamics of HT/CSE, the grooming process, and unique considerations for effectively serving this population.

Volume

Youth directly impacted:

- 12 youth received ongoing *long-term* support services
- 77 youth received “rapid response” one-time meetings
- 97 youth received backpacks (including 77 who received “rapid response” meetings)
- 19 case consultations

Depth

Evidence of significant transformation in a youth’s life:

- The Survivor Care team has provided quality long-term services to youth in Connecticut, helping them to exit exploitative situations, identify and access needed services, better understand their victimization, gain new skills, succeed in school, and increase their overall resiliency. Love146 has also helped to increase the capacity of caregivers and practitioners in supporting youth through direct intervention and case consultation.
- The Survivor Care program has had a number of notable academic successes over the past year. One youth receiving long-term services graduated high school, with another on track to graduate this summer. In addition, five youth passed their classes for the academic year and were promoted to the next grade. This past summer, three youth were engaged in summer school programs and two youth were engaged in appropriate employment.
- The Survivor Care program has also experienced success helping to facilitate youth's engagement in additional services to help address trauma in a healthy manner; five youth actively engaged in therapeutic services and three decided to engage in services to reduce their substance use. In addition, three youth have been able to appropriately advocate with government systems for services and supports they felt they needed.

Evidence that this project benefits the community beyond direct involvement:

- Throughout the course of the year, Love146 has provided training to law enforcement, forensic interviewers, child welfare staff, and community service providers. These efforts have helped raise the consciousness of human trafficking among first responders and have facilitated a collaborative approach to addressing cases of human trafficking. Love146 has also provided similar services to providers when participating in related case meetings for specific youth.
- Through Love146's participation on the Connecticut Department of Children and Families (DCF) Human Anti-Trafficking Response Team and the New Haven and Bridgeport Multidisciplinary Teams, Love146 has helped to ensure that victim voices and services continue to be a regular part of anti-trafficking conversations and efforts across the state.
- In March 2016, Love146 participated in a Joint Informational Forum with the Judiciary, Public Safety and Security, and Children's Committees to discuss what policy and legislative changes may assist in removing barriers to prosecuting cases of human trafficking in Connecticut. Love146 provided testimony regarding the importance of prosecutions for existing and potential future victims.

Evidence that this project benefits the target constituents:

Below are quotes from youth who received long-term services within the last year:

- *"I am learning I can be anything I want to be when I go to school and I even got high honors. I never did that before!"*
- *"Love146 helped me become strong minded. I can speak up for myself now."*
- *"Love146 helped me a lot, in the way that I am succeeding in life, in school, at home, with my family, and overall."*
- *"Love146 has helped me become more aware of my surroundings, and to be careful."*
- *"Love146 really helps when you're a stressed out person."*
- *"Love146 is nice, and they know what they're doing."*

Below are quotes from youth who received rapid response services within the last year:

- *"I learned I deserve happiness."*
- *"I learned it wasn't my fault."*
- *"I'm not going to get in the car anymore when they whistle."*
- *"That makes sense. I couldn't figure out why I get so angry."*
- *"Thanks for telling me there are others like me."*

Evidence of collaboration and partnership:

Love146 participates in the following coalitions:

- The Connecticut Department of Children and Families (DCF) Human Anti-Trafficking Response Team
- The DCF Girls Provider Network
- The New Haven and Bridgeport Multidisciplinary Teams
- The Connecticut Coalition Against Trafficking
- The Connecticut Trafficking in Persons Council

U.K. Survivor Support

This year, Love146 UK has expanded its ability to provide a range of Survivor Support services both directly to young people (foster care support and Care Leaver Support) and to those who are involved in their safeguarding (training and support to frontline practitioners - social workers / foster carers). Our focus on piloting safe accommodation based care to children trafficked into the UK, transitioned to engage with trafficked children and young people utilising one to one case management support. We have deepened key relationships with those who have journeyed with us (particularly Local Authorities) as we continue to work towards our vision and have proven we have the knowledge and the experience to continue delivering outstanding services to children and young people. We continue to innovate in new ways to safeguard children and young people, with the development of a new pilot project - Specialist Independent Accommodation- aimed at young people transitioning to adulthood.

Volume

Children directly impacted

- 11 young people, plus a newborn.

Professionals directly impacted

- 322 professionals received Love146 Child Trafficking training / Awareness Raising
- 67 community members provided with Child Trafficking awareness raising

Depth

Evidence of significant transformation in a young person's life:

One young person we support arrived into the UK in the back of a truck with other men, women and children of his age. On arrival he was caught by the police though the others managed to flee. He was placed into the care of the Local Authority with other trafficked children where his safeguarding needs were not met. He was subsequently found by traffickers (who he at the time thought were his social workers) and forced into growing cannabis. He was never allowed out of the house he was taken to and was regularly beaten by the two men. After a period of 3-4 months he escaped when his captors were drunk and was found in a park by a member of the public. He was taken to the hospital and placed again into the care of the Local Authority, who contacted Love146 to provide wrap around support to the young person and his foster carer. During this time the relationship that the support worker has made with the young person has brought about a striking transformation. He feels able to trust, he does not want to run away, and he has goals and aspirations for his future. He has been moved into Love146 Specialist Independent Accommodation, where we will continue to support him as he transitions into adulthood.

Evidence that this project benefits the community beyond direct involvement:

We have delivered high quality training and awareness raising to Local Authority Social Workers, Community Members, Foster Carers, and those most likely to encounter trafficked children and young people, equipping them with the tools to both identify and appropriately safeguard children.

Other sectors who benefitted from our trainings in this period include:

National Health Service

Portsmouth Diocese

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) Practitioners

Health Visitors

These efforts in delivering high quality training have helped raise awareness of child trafficking among those who are the first to respond to safeguarding children.

Evidence that this project benefits the target constituents:

When a young person who we accommodated in the Thousand Miles Home was transitioned to Local Authority care, he was placed alongside other young people who had also been trafficked into the UK. Due to the support and care he received from Love146 he has become an advocate for us and has encouraged two other young people to be referred to our Survivor Support program.

Evidence of collaboration and partnership:

As part of our commitment to journey with trafficked young people for as long as it takes, we have regularly been part of multi-agency strategy meetings to plan ongoing actions to protect the young people who were in our pilot safe accommodation. Love146's UK Care Director offered Children's Service managers and practitioners, and the police, on site consultancy and expertise in guiding best practice for safeguarding and supporting children trafficked into the UK. This included the promotion of trafficking risk assessments, placement assessments, community risk assessments, missing person passports, and safety plans.

U.S. Prevention Education: Connecticut and Texas

Youth at high-risk for human trafficking and exploitation have been recognized as an underidentified and underserved victim population across the United States. In July 2010, Love146 established the U.S. Prevention Education Program to help identify and disrupt vulnerabilities and behaviors that would increase a youth's risk of human trafficking and exploitation. In 2014, after identifying some critical gaps, Love146—along with a multidisciplinary team of experts in the field of child protection and evaluation—began the development of *Not a #Number*, a research informed child trafficking and exploitation prevention curriculum.

Since its inception, the U.S. Prevention Education Program has reached over 18,000 youth. Acknowledging the importance of reaching more children than is possible through direct implementation alone, Love146 provides training and technical assistance to schools, agencies, and organizations with the infrastructure and professional staff to effectively reach their own communities. Since January 2015, Love146 has licensed over 30 entities and certified more than 140 facilitators, and it is anticipated that approximately 1,500 additional facilitators will be certified in the next five years. Love146 engages a full spectrum response to prevention, including offering resources for caregivers and professionals to help them better respond to the needs of these youth.

Love146's U.S. Prevention Education Program has four key goals:

- Decrease youth's risk for exploitation: *Not a #Number*, a multi-level prevention curriculum designed to teach youth how to protect themselves from human trafficking and exploitation through information, critical thinking, and skill development, is the anchor of the program. *Not a #Number* integrates a holistic view of the issue by focusing on respect, empathy, individual strengths, and the relationship between personal and societal pressures that create or increase vulnerabilities.

- Support a comprehensive, whole-school or entire-system, response to human trafficking and exploitation: *Not a #Number* includes information to support a whole-school or entire-system response and has been designed to reinforce and integrate with other prevention efforts being facilitated to increase youth health and safety and improve school, agency, or organizational climate.
- Develop and maintain a strong, evidence-based approach to prevention: *Not a #Number* has been developed by experts in the field of human trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation and is designed to address the evolving tactics used to recruit and exploit youth. The curriculum is grounded in empirical literature and incorporates best practices in the field of prevention education. In order to continually evaluate the extent to which the materials in this curriculum are meeting its intended goals, curriculum developers worked with experts from the Crimes Against Children Research Center at the University of New Hampshire to design measurable skill-based learning objectives. Based on these learning objectives, the Crimes Against Children Research Center assisted in developing research-based assessment tools to facilitate immediate and long-term outcome evaluation efforts.
- Support a coordinated response to human trafficking and exploitation in Greater Houston: Through participation in human trafficking and CSE related coalitions and stakeholder meetings, the U.S. programs team is actively engaged in collaborative efforts in the Greater Houston area. In an effort to increase community providers' knowledge and capacity to prevent and identify human trafficking and exploitation, Love146 also provides training and technical assistance to key community providers working with at-risk and exploited youth.

Volume

Children directly impacted:

- 959 youth received prevention education (552 reached through Love146 facilitators; 407 directly impacted through the training of adult service providers)
- 449 professionals and community members received training; and,
- 106 professionals were certified to facilitate *Not a #Number*.

Children directly impacted since the program began in 2010:

- 18,286 youth received prevention education; and,
- 3,973 professionals and community members received training.

Depth

Evidence of significant transformation in a youth's life:

- During a last round of implementation at a middle school, there was a group that engaged in the You Are #More activity at a deeper level compared to the other classes. This class became very invested in the last part of the activity where we ask youth to exchange papers with the "face" they created, turn it upside down and write something nice to someone else in the class. The youth wrote on each other's papers and some actually wrote on more than one. Several youth expressed that this was a positive experience for them and felt encouraged. One of the youth said, "I was feeling down when we first started and were writing all of the negative words, but now I am feeling so much better. This is the best that I have felt in school in a long time, especially knowing that people have nice things to say and that they are thinking about me. I wrote on someone's paper that I hadn't talked to in a long time but I think he is a cool kid."

Evidence that this project benefits the community beyond direct involvement:

- While we continue to refine and enhance the FCT, we have received positive quantitative and qualitative feedback from participants. We have identified a few gaps in specific skills held by

facilitators (e.g., reflective listening, responding to disclosures) and have implemented changes in the Facilitator Certification Training (FCT) to help increase these skills. Initial feedback has been positive.

- Two facilitators who received the *Not a #Number* training made these comments:
 - *“Full of great information, formatted to apply it to a very broad population so it can make a difference for everyone!”*
 - *“This was a great training and the curriculum is developed in such a way that starts external and moves internal for the participants. The activities inspire conversation and thinking that expands knowledge well beyond human trafficking and exploitation.”*

Evidence that this project benefits the target constituents:

- We continue to receive positive feedback from direct implementation – both from students and the professionals working with them. After completing a basic assessment of pre/post data, we are able to report significant improvements in knowledge, attitudes, and intent to change behavior. For example, when asked whether or not they would call a hotline for support and resources if someone were hurting them, at post-test there was a 44% increase in participants who indicated that they would probably or definitely do so. This signifies an increase in their intent to seek out necessary support if they were to experience abuse.

Evidence of collaboration and partnership:

- CT Coalition Against Trafficking, CT Department of Children and Families HART Team, CT Permanent Commission on the Status of Women’s Trafficking in Persons (TIP) Council, Mayor’s Houston Area Anti Trafficking Council, Houston LGBTQ Homeless Initiative, and Houston ISD Community Partners Group: The team’s participation in the delineated coalitions and collaboratives have continued to provide a positive opportunity to understand the work of local stakeholders, gaps in service, and other organization’s experiences with identifying and working with survivors. It has also provided an opportunity to collaborate on prevention education, as well as share our expertise in order to improve programs and policy.
- Individual and Organizational Engagement/Collaboration: There has been significant relational development and engagement with a variety of individuals and organizations such as Twitter, NEST Educators, the U.S. Department of Education, Aspire Health Partners, the CT Department of Children and Families, Abeni, and Stephen Procopio.

Empowering Movement: Research

Love146 supports research around best practices in prevention and aftercare as a basis for training, equipping of practitioners, and ultimately affecting change in children’s lives.

- The Butterfly Longitudinal Research Project: a 10-year longitudinal research project following the reintegration of a select group of survivors of sexual exploitation and trafficking in Cambodia. The research is happening under the direction of Chab Dai in Phnom Penh. Now in Year 7, this research team has gathered data from the participants, and based on that data, produced two thematic papers:
 - “Survivor Experiences and Perceptions of Stigma: Reintegrating into the Community”
 - “Economic Reintegration of Survivors of Sex Trafficking: Experiences and Expressions of Filial Piety and Financial Anxiety”
- This year our research in SE Asia yielded three research reports.
 - “To Help My Parents: An Exploratory Study on the Hidden Vulnerabilities of Street-involved Children and Youth in Chiang Mai, Thailand”: the third in a series of baseline studies, so entitled as the direct quote from a 12-year-old boy who has

spent his life on the streets in Chiang Mai. Despite having experienced both sexual and physical violence experienced during his work on the streets, he said his greatest source of pride is found in his ability to help his parents in their work on the streets. There were 55 participants in this study.

- o "Same Same But Different": There is an estimated 9-9.5 million transgender people in the Asia Pacific region with the largest percentages of (openly) transgender persons being found in Thailand and the Philippines. Through interviews with 60 transgender people, this study aimed to provide a broad baseline of data descriptive of the holistic needs and vulnerabilities of transgendered persons working in the sex industry in Bangkok, Thailand. This study, conducted two years ago, was finalized in this fiscal year. This report can be found on our website.
- o "They Didn't Help Me; They Shamed Me", is a study of the vulnerabilities of street-involved boys in Manila. This is a direct quote from one of the 51 interviewees, an 11-year-old boy, a survivor of sexual violence he experienced during his life on the streets. This report can be found on our website.

Volume

Individuals/organizations directly impacted:

- Butterfly Longitudinal Research Project – 128 survivors and 15 organizations
- Vulnerable Children Research - 166 children

Depth

Evidence that this project benefits the community beyond direct involvement:

- The "Same Same But Different" study has sought to provide a basis for understanding the needs and vulnerabilities of transgender sex workers in Bangkok in hopes to highlight the often hidden vulnerabilities to exploitation and violence in their day-to-day lives. This is to help build a better understanding of this often-overlooked group of people in order for NGOs and social service providers to serve them better. The study finds transgender people in the Bangkok sex industry to be deeply vulnerable to a wide range of violence, including sexual and physical violence — with some dealing with this as a reality of their daily lives. This study filled in some of the gaps that exist in our knowledge of transgender persons in the Bangkok sex industry and provide a baseline of data to better understand their experiences. International studies, as well as our previous baseline work in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, have documented grave physical abuses toward transgender sex workers and shown transgender persons to have high rates of family discrimination. These studies have also demonstrated the chronic social stigma that transgender persons face throughout their lives.

Evidence that this project may benefit the target constituents:

- Butterfly Longitudinal Research Project: Based on findings reported in the "Economic Reintegration" study, researchers recommend a four-part model for financial capability which would benefit survivors of trafficking and sexual exploitation. By the end of the 10 years of the Butterfly Longitudinal Research project, the research team will have collected enough data to be able to draw a reasonable picture of survivors' economic and filial experience, before, during, and after their trafficking experience. This will greatly contribute to painting the full picture of how and why people (in particular, from Southeast Asia) are trafficked, what, specifically, contributes to a victim's vulnerability, and an understanding of how pre-trafficking vulnerability and risk can be mitigated to both prevent trafficking and to better assist and support trafficking survivors once they have reintegrated.

- “To Help My Parents” study aimed to provide a brief look at some of the key vulnerabilities to sexual violence and exploitation that exist among street-involved youth in Chiang Mai, Thailand. This is to help build a better understanding of this often overlooked group of people in order for NGOs and social service providers to serve them better. The study finds street-involved youth in Chiang Mai to be deeply vulnerable to a wide range of violence, including sexual and physical violence. These findings have also exposed a high amount of violence experienced by street-connected children and youth, and in diverse settings. They reveal different experiences depending on gender. Boys were particularly vulnerable to violence, especially violence from peers, sexual abuse and commercial sexual exploitation.
- The research authors are pursuing different venues where the research can be disseminated, such as in a new, peer-reviewed journal entitled *Dignity: A Journal on Sexual Exploitation and Violence*. <http://digitalcommons.uri.edu/dignity/>