

TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT SUMMARY

PROJECT TITLE	NATIONAL PROGRAM ON THE ELIMINATION OF CHILD LABOR IN ZAMBIA
REGION/COUNTRY	AFRICA/Zambia
PROJECT DURATION	September 1, 1999 – October 31, 2003
FISCAL YEAR & FUNDING LEVEL	FY 1999: USD 630,512
PROBLEM TO BE ADDRESSED	In Lusaka, the vast majority of urban residents are destitute, underemployed and/or working in the informal sector. An increasing number of young children are being forced into exploitive child labor.
RESULTS	The project withdrew 1,646 children from commercial sexual exploitation, domestic work, and quarrying in Lusaka, and street work in Kalulushi.
PROJECT OBJECTIVES	<p>Contribute to the progressive elimination of exploitive child labor in Zambia, focusing on the prevention, withdrawal, rehabilitation, and provision of alternatives for working children.</p> <p>Intermediate objectives include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• By the end of the program, the Government of Zambia will have developed a national policy and plan of action to combat exploitive child labor, taken concrete measures towards the harmonization of its child labor legislation, and developed its institutional capacity to deal with this problem; and• By the end of the program, a range of successful pilot projects will have been implemented, improving the situation of ex-child workers either directly or indirectly, and initiating a change of attitudes about child labor in Zambian society.
SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contributed to the progressive elimination of exploitive child labor in Zambia by focusing on the prevention, withdrawal, rehabilitation and provision of alternatives for working children;• Strengthened the Government's capacity to address child labor through the development of a national plan of action and a review of national legislation in line with international standards; and• Raised awareness about child labor within Zambian society.
GRANTEE	International Labor Organization's International Program on the Elimination of Child Labor (ILO-IPEC)
IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS	Ministry of Labor and Social Security (MLSS); Ministry of Sports, Youth and Child Development

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(MSYCD); Ministry of Community Development and Social Services (MCDSS); Central Statistical Office; the Food Security Health and Nutrition Information System; Zambia Congress of Trade Unions (ZCTU); Zambian Federation of Employers (ZFE); University of Zambia; UNICEF; Children in Need (CHIN) network; as well as possible collaboration with NGOs such as TASINTHA and MAPODE; Fountain of Hope; Technical Education and Vocational and Entrepreneurship Training Authority (TEVETA) and MAPODE; Zambia Congress of Trade Unions; and Community Youth Concern.

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