

# A YEAR OF IMPACT

8,061
people intercepted to prevent them from being trafficked

219
arrests stemming from our work

national and international team members

76 active transit monitoring stations

family homes

212
orphaned and abandoned children fully provided for in our family homes

students at The Dream School

# LETTER FROM THE FOUNDER AND CEO

Dear Friends,

We believe that maximizing the impact produced from the resources we are entrusted with is a sacred duty. In the last two years, we've made significant structural changes in order to position our teams to research places, find people, and sharpen our program work to the specialty of creating impact-maximizing tools, so that the right nationals we find living on the edge of the world's greatest injustices can do the work that they are much more qualified to do than we are.

Last year, we were starting to see the beginnings of impact growth resulting from this restructuring, with just under 350 intercepts per month coming from our transit monitoring work. As our structure has begun to mature, it has produced far greater impact, with an average of over **1,000** intercepts per month in the last three months.

Although we are best known for our anti-trafficking work, we define ourselves by our mission of sharing the love of Jesus Christ by fighting the world's greatest injustices. This mission is the reason we fight human trafficking, and it also compels us to fully provide for more than 200 orphaned and abandoned children in loving family homes and educate many of these children and their peers in our Dream School. As the first batch of our children begins to graduate from this program, we are seeing signs that they are doing well, including scoring an average of four points higher on a Flourishing Life Assessment compared to a control group that does not consist of orphaned/abandoned children.

All this impact starts with the trust our donors have placed in us and our mission. With God's help, we intend to continue growing and maximizing the impact produced from the resources you've entrusted us with!

Sincerely,

John Maley

John Molineux, Founder and CEO Love Justice International



## YEAR IN REVIEW



After two years of historical disruptions to human interaction, with the greatest pandemic of our lifetime seemingly winding down, our work has settled into what is becoming our post-pandemic impact, with record-high intercepts of 1,000+per month, and the launch of our work in Romania, Moldova, Ethiopia, Ecuador, Burundi, Mexico, and Indonesia.



The Dream School put on their first musical production this year. It was a team effort, and students took part in building the set, making their own props, and designing costumes. The students persevered when it was hard, learned amazing life lessons, and did a wonderful job on stage. For many of our students, staff, and parents, this was their first live musical experience!



We held our inaugural "Focus Weekend" followed by the Delightful Camp of Wonders in Pokhara, Nepal! Focus Weekend is a three-day/two-night event in which older students gather to discuss their plans for the future. These conversations help to educate and clarify the transitional paths of our young adults. Over 150 children from our family homes were present at camp.





Our world experienced another unprecedented disruption this year, with the unjustified attack of Ukraine by Russia. Refugees are some of the most vulnerable people in the world to physical and sexual assault, exploitation, and human trafficking. In February, we trained 37 people in Moldova and Romania. They directed 1,428 people to safe locations in March and 683 in April. They also helped 528 refugees board safe buses or cars in March and 361 in April. However, nearly every person crossing the border from Ukraine meets our definition of "high risk," making our traditional transit monitoring strategy less viable than it normally would be.



The police liaison project was designed to be a bridge between our monitoring teams and the authorities, not only to develop better relationships with police and security but also to increase the number of arrests. We hire individuals who can help develop these relationships and train local police forces on our strategy to fight human trafficking. In countries where the program is running, we have seen a higher degree of cooperation with police, resulting in additional arrests and better support for our teams.



How is the work of Love Justice really impacting modern-day slavery? While we have a strong framework for identifying the right people and places, in reality we are not yet using a predictive model to select either the people or places through whom to work, nor have we fully implemented a process to get data on several of our own highest level metrics. To the extent that these areas are improved, the greater our impact and attention toward impact-multiplying strategies will be, with the goal to see a reduction in the number of slaves in the areas in which we work.

















"We are passionate about our work because it is a task that God has put us to do. ... Because it is something divine, we feel proud to help people. It's a joy for us as a team to help people stay safe."

- Celma, transit monitor in Mozambique



"I love to help out people and make a difference in every way I can. To be able to know that I can help prevent just one person from being exploited by potential human traffickers is fulfilling."

- Portiphor, transit monitor in Zambia



"We should be uncomfortable because to rescue [intercept] one of these lives is worth more than our sweat."

- Roman, transit monitor in Nepal



"I want to be a part of lives and change them for the better. That was what pulled me in, the vulnerability."

- Anju, transit monitor in India

This model aims to attack trafficking at the most strategic moment—while it is in the process of occurring but before potential victims have been exploited or enslaved. Transit monitoring is, as far as we know, the world's only tangible human trafficking prevention model.

8,061 people were intercepted in 2022 to prevent them from being trafficked.

\*2022 Fiscal Year: October 1, 2021-September 30, 2022. Intercepts are double verified but numbers can fluctuate. Each one of our reported intercepts goes through a thorough verification process that reflects our deep commitment to accurately measure and report our impact. If a transit monitoring team believes an intercept to be valid, at least two trusted staff members from the national office must also review and verify that it meets our criteria. An intercept is not reported until it has gone through this process and the Intercept Record Form (which documents the details of the intercept) has been uploaded into our custom human trafficking database. LJI also routinely audits a sample of each country's intercepts, and it's not unusual for some intercept decisions to be reversed, resulting in a slight change in our reported intercept numbers.



Transit monitoring focuses on identifying and assisting potential victims of trafficking as they're being trafficked but before they reach the destination where they may be in danger of being exploited and enslaved. We "intercept" someone when we have good reason to believe that they are in the process of being trafficked or at high risk of being trafficked.

### **You Will Do Great Things**Based on a True Story

It was raining that morning at the river crossing, little circles forming on the surface of the muddy water. Sampson\* and his brothers, Elshaddai\* and Yaw,\* were traveling with an older man, getting ready to cross over.

It had only been a few months since their parents died, but it felt much longer. They had lived with their grandmother for a short time, but then a traveling businessman named Obed\* had offered to let the boys stay with him in his neighboring village, where he promised to help them further their education.

People in Sampson's village didn't often have the means to travel or pursue higher education. Obed's offer seemed like a rare and special opportunity at the time. Sampson remembers his grandmother holding him tight when they said goodbye, hot tears on the back of his neck, whispering: "You will do great things one day."

They traveled with Obed to his village, excited for the possibilities ahead. Perhaps leaving their small village would be the stepping stone to achieving careers they'd only dreamed of.

But it wasn't long before they realized Obed had no intention of putting them in school or helping them work towards any dreams. Instead, he put them to work on his fishing boats, saying they owed him for taking them under his roof.

When Sampson had protested, Obed slapped him hard across the face. "You'll do what I say." So here they were, at the river crossing in the rain, glumly preparing to cross the river with Obed.

Obed cursed suddenly and put down the load he was carrying. "I need to go buy more fuel. Wait here." The brothers looked at each other. Could they run? Sampson thought about asking for help and noticed a woman watching them. Their eyes met and she walked towards them.

"Why are you boys not in school?" she asked kindly. Sampson hesitated, but the woman saw his unease and gently assured him that she only wanted to make sure they were okay. What did they have to lose? Their lives were already miserable. Sampson shared their story, unable to finish without breaking into tears.

Obed returned at this moment, and the woman introduced herself, asking what his relation was to the children and why they weren't in school. Obed replied angrily, "Work is their only means of survival. You have no right to tell me how to raise children."

"If you are the rightful guardian to these children, then you won't mind me calling the authorities to verify your story," she replied calmly. She pulled out her phone, started dialing, and Obed just ran away. Sampson and his brothers looked at each other in disbelief. She smiled at them. "Let's get you boys home."



#### **Today Is the Beginning of a New Life**Based on a True Story

Kalyani\* was breathless with excitement as she rode the train to the city. Mursaleen\*, her neighbor, loved her and wanted to marry her. *Today is the beginning of a new life*, she thought.

She had been a little disappointed when he asked her not to tell her family about the engagement, but she was excited to surprise them when they returned as husband and wife.

When the train pulled into the station, Kalyani looked through the thin bars on the open-air window, searching for her fiancé, who had traveled ahead of her. There were hundreds of people carrying baggage this way and that, sitting, standing, waiting, talking. How would she ever find him?

She stepped off the train and stood by the side for a few minutes, unsure of what to do. She had Mursaleen's number but no phone to call him.

The station was large and so packed with people. It felt overwhelming to a girl from a small village. An older girl wearing some sort of badge approached and kindly asked if she needed any help.

"Can I use your phone?" Kalyani asked.

The girl brought her back to the booth where she worked and called Mursaleen. "Hi there, are you picking up a girl named Kalyani at the train station?" she asked.

Silence.

"Do you know Kalyani?" the girl tried again.

"No, I don't." The line went quiet as he hung up.

The girl called back and handed the phone to Kalyani. "Mursaleen?" she said tentatively. "It's Kalyani."

"Where are you?" he asked.

The girl took the phone back from Kalyani. "Do you recognize her now?"

Immediately, the call was disconnected. When they tried calling again, the call went straight to voicemail.

Kalyani felt distressed at his response. What did he expect her to do?

The girl introduced her to the rest of the team there and explained that they all wanted to make sure she was safe. They asked if she had an emergency contact, and Kalyani gave them her mother's number.

"Yes, I'm Kalyani's mother," the voice on the other end answered, and then burst into tears. "My husband and I have been looking for her since yesterday morning."

Kalyani suddenly felt homesick hearing her mother's voice. She confessed the plan to elope, and the girl explained the potential dangers of human trafficking in the area. She advised her to go home with her family.

When her father arrived to take her home, Kalyani was afraid he would be mad at her, but she saw his eyes brimming with tears and couldn't help herself from running to embrace him.

"Thank you for keeping my daughter safe."

Both of these stories could have ended in slavery and oppression like the fate of so many others, but because of our monitors' watchfulness, these individuals were intercepted and reunited with their families.

Love Justice steps in during the critical moments between freedom and slavery. Our system of transit monitoring dares to believe that together we can prevent the next victim from being trafficked and that the knowledge gained can-and does-lead to arrests and convictions of those who seek to make people into victims.

As we continue to celebrate the exponential growth in impact, we need to avoid worshiping impact as an idol. While our teams pursue impact growth, we want to have our hearts continually broken as we remember the faces and stories of each individual represented by these growing numbers.

And while we believe transit monitoring is the only prevention model that produces measurable impact for individuals, we are still working on models/processes that will allow us to determine how our efforts are impacting the overall prevalence of trafficking within the countries where we serve.

\*Pseudonyms

# DATA FROM THE FIELD

Multiple red flags and signs of suspected trafficking can exist in each case. Therefore, the data from some of these sections reflects the percentage of overall cases where these flags and signs were present.

FEMALE	MALE	UNDER 18	NULL  18 AND OLDER
59.4%	40.6%	59.4%	5.4% 35.2%

GENDER

AGE

NO ADDRESS / PHONE NUMBER

**TOP 5 RED FLAGS** 

Country	Nepal	Bangladesh	India	South Africa	Zimbabwe	Namibia	Lesotho	Mozambique	Malawi	Kenya	Uganda	Tanzania
Intercepts	1,058	641	1,415	192	193	767	219	466	327	174	1,339	230
Arrests	44	2	7	0	3	10	0	2	68	2	65	0

YOUNG LOOKING	RUNAWAY	CHILD(REN)	TYPICAL VILLAGE LOOK	VILLAGE DRESS	
41.6%	38.5%	28.2%	16.5%	15.9%	
TARGET	OP 5 PRO ED BY TI	FILES RAFFIC	KEI	RS	

NO BAGS THOUGH CLAIMS TO BE GOING FOR A LONG TIME	CAUGHT IN A LIE	FIRST TIME TRAVELING ABROAD	COULD NOT CONFIRM JOB	CALLED PLACE AND CONFIRMED DECEPTION	
43.7%	40.4%	25.2%	15.0%	13.1%	
OP 5 SIG	INS THAT IS BEING	POTE DECE			

Rwanda	Benin	Sierra Leone	Ghana	Cambodia	Alaska	Zambia	Mexico	Liberia	Burkina Faso	Indonesia	Burundi	Ethiopia	Ecuador
234	149	102	210	19	0	54	0	150	105	0	17	0	0
5	0	8	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

#### BEN

**GHANA** 

Monitors intercepted a man traveling across the border for work and determined he was likely headed unknowingly into a labor trafficking situation. They informed him of the potential dangers, and he was intercepted before he became enslaved!

Acting on a tip-off, our team intercepted four brothers traveling for

trafficking in that area, the team helped them return safely home.

work on Lake Volta. After educating the siblings on the high risk of labor

#### ALASKA

No current operations. Transit monitoring began in Mexico City

in 2022. Our teams were unable to secure any interceptions,

and we ultimately decided to close this station.

No current operations. Due to a lack of permissions, this pilot was unable to go forward.

Team intercepted a 17-year-old girl traveling to Guinea for marriage without her parents' knowledge. Uncovering a multitude of risk factors, our staff explained the potential human trafficking situation waiting for her there–she chose to ensure her own safety and return home

#### **BURKINA FASO**

Young mother and her 1-year-old baby at high risk of trafficking were intercepted and kept FREE!

#### LIBERIA

SIERRA LEONE

A motorcyclist asking for directions picked up a woman, ignored her directions, and dropped her off at an unknown destination, taking her phone and promising to return. Our monitors intervened before he had the chance!

#### **RWANDA**

Our monitors noticed two minor boys stranded in an area known for slavery. After discovering they had been lured away from a refugee camp with a false promise of employment, they intercepted them to prevent their exploitation!

#### **ECUADOR**

New pilot training began in May. Due to political instability, the project was paused and restarted in the fall of 2022.

#### BURUNDI

Waiting in a brothel for traffickers to issue them travel documents to go to Oman, 16 women were INTERCEPTED before exploitation could occur!

#### TANZANIA

MEXICO

A 14-year-old girl was traveling to a new job when she found an unexpected person waiting for her, claiming he would take her to the new employer. Based on some other red flags, our team determined she was being trafficked and intervened–now she is SAFE, reunited with family and continuing her education!

#### MALAWI

A 64-year-old woman lured people to her property with the promise of a better life, selling them into slavery instead. Our team worked with police to secure her arrest and set over 50 individuals FREE.

#### **NAMIBIA**

Woman intercepted before boarding a plane to Brazil on a dangerous drug smuggling operation—her recruiter was ARRESTED!

#### LESOTHO

A 21-year-old girl was traveling to a new job at a supermarket, but when our team called the business to confirm, the phone number did not exist. She returned home safely!

#### ZAMBIA

Two Malawians were smuggled into the country with the promise of good jobs and a better life, only to be abandoned at a transit station. Fortunately, our team found them and helped them return home before they could be exploited!

#### **UGANDA**

Our team stopped three boys from being trafficked across the Ugandan border twice, resulting in three suspected traffickers ARRESTED!

#### **ETHIOPIA**

Training for this new pilot began in late September 2022.

#### ROMANIA AND MOLDOVA

We trained volunteers to assist fleeing refugees from Ukraine. This work is currently paused as the leadership team continues to assess best steps moving forward.

#### KENYA

Minor girl was traveling to Uganda to meet a man who had promised to marry her. Our team uncovered red flags indicating he actually intended to sell her into slavery, and she returned home safely!

#### NEPAL

Five women FREED from the sex industry after our investigations team confirmed two restaurants were fronts for prostitution!

It costs just \$29 a month to help keep one person free from slavery each year.

#### **BANGLADESH**

A 14-year-old girl lured by a man with a false promise of marriage was intercepted and is now FREE!

#### **CAMBODIA**

Team noticed a young boy abandoned at a mall known for child trafficking. They worked with the police to investigate and ensure the child's safety!

#### INDIA

Posing as a travel agent, a male suspect deceived three women into accepting a false job offer in Kuwait. Monitors intercepted them before exploitation could occur!

#### ZIMBABWE

Team intercepted minor girl BEFORE she was forced into child prostitution

#### MOZAMBIQUE

Teenage girl INTERCEPTED-aunt admitted to sending her niece into labor trafficking, and our team was able to intervene and keep the girl safe.

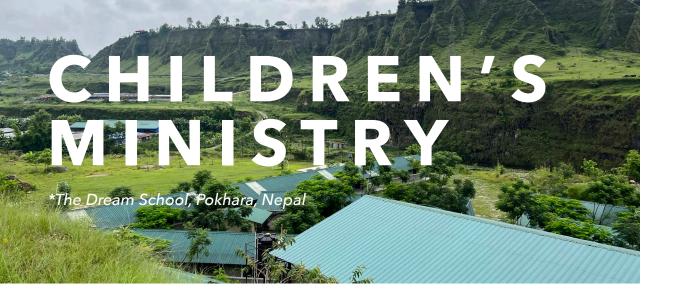
#### **SOUTH AFRICA**

A 14-year-old girl thought she was being offered a dream modeling opportunity online when our team exposed the offer as fake. Thanks to their undercover work, today she lives free from online sexual exploitation

#### **INDONESIA**

Two young women with false documents were INTERCEPTED while on their way to an area known for prostitution! (This interception was fully verified after Fiscal Year 2022.)





Without parental guidance, provision, or love, orphaned children's lives can be wrecked on the street, making them vulnerable to many forms of exploitation, including the potential of being trafficked. Orphans in remote areas face the risk of child marriage and human trafficking, while some are forced into working as sex slaves from a young age.

Mission statement for our children's ministry: to help orphaned and abandoned children become difference makers for Christ in their nations. With dedicated Christian parents, each of our family homes can provide whole-life care for up to 16 children.

In April 2015, we started The Dream School with the goal to provide excellent education to the children in our family homes and the surrounding community. The school currently serves 174 children, and our national and expat staff collaborate together to provide a kingdom-class education.



"We are not the product of circumstance; we are the product of our own decisions. We always need to have a good mindset. It will lead us to success."

"I learned that we cannot change the past, but we can change the future."

- Dream School students, grade 8



"I used to be so scared of teachers. My last school was just a very terrible experience. It made me suicidal, depressed, and gave me so many mental diseases. I couldn't sleep; I couldn't eat. Now I've stopped that. Right now I'm healing in this school.

"Everyone here is really kind hearted. I feel like our school is like a family. When I am at school, all of my bad energy just goes. I'm like, home. When I come to school, I'm like, 'Oh, I'm so happy!' When I first came, I was like, 'Does this place exist? How did I not know this place existed?'

"Together, we can change things for this country. We can do programs about how to teach students and bring that to other schools too."

- Dream School student, grade 9



"The Dream School has a playground and so many classes and a soccer ball, and we have so many buses. I have two teachers, and my favorite subject is math."

- Dream School student, age 6



"I really want to thank my family home parents. Although they are not my biological parents, they have been like that through all the years. And I really want to thank my brothers and sisters there. I want them to study harder so that they can pursue their dreams. I want them to know their brother loves them and will help them."

- Family home and university graduate



It is one of the great joys of our work to see a frightened, orphaned child blossom into a confident, determined young adult. Every day, we are seeing this transformation take place in our children. We know what our children need: the security provided by a loving and supportive family and an excellent education that inspires them to reach for more. Our team is continually focused on improving the ways we provide these ingredients.

Since 2004, we have been blessed with so many amazing family home parents who love and care for our children. The success of many of our graduates today is a testimony to their care. This means that each new set of parents we bring into a home is a decision we cannot afford to get wrong, so we are continually working to create better assessments to ensure we find the right people for these important positions.

Our Dream School students continue to amaze us with their hunger for learning and creativity. Yet we still find that some of them lack confidence and hesitate to take risks. We are seeking ways to break the power of shame, empowering them to embrace failure. We plan to train our teachers to implement restorative practices and offer their students opportunities to step out of their comfort zones and take risks.

We are now hiring teachers and key directors for our school and family homes. Visit **LoveJustice.ngo/careers** to learn more.



# Because every life is beautiful and worth fighting for.

"It's all God's, and I have the privilege of giving back to honor each person as His created image." - Timothy S., donor

"I don't want to stand by while so many suffer. Preventative intervention should continue to have a priority in our fight against human slavery." - Trevor & Rebekah S., donors

"Because I want to help kids around the world who don't have the same life as me." - Thaddeus B., donor

#### **IN GRATITUDE**

With the support of your donations, we intercepted more people than at any time in our history to prevent them from being trafficked. Because of YOU, we are keeping vulnerable men, women, and children out of slavery.

Your monthly donations, generosity, and sacrifice enable us to impact lives in the field, in our family homes, and at our school.

We are humbled and grateful. Thank you.

Thank you to Jessica Beerman Photography for this beautiful photo and to our friends in Buckley, Washington, for hosting this amazing fundraising event.



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#### FINANCES

Since the organization began in 2004, we have felt a great burden to remain good stewards of that which has been entrusted to us. We believe that stewardship is more than frugality; it is maximizing impact—doing work with integrity and excellence, no matter the scale. As our scale of work has increased, we strive to see every dollar donated as an opportunity to change the lives of those God has called us to serve.

Additionally, in order to multiply our ability to help those in need, we are committed to empowering our international fields to learn and invest in stable, long-term projects that generate income, so that eventually they can become self-sustainable and reproducible.

INCOME STATEMENT	2022	
REVENUE		
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$4,863,039	
GRANTS	\$540,000	
INTEREST AND OTHER	\$559	
TOTAL REVENUE	\$5,403,598	
EXPENSES		
PROGRAM EXPENSES	\$4,272,141	73.9%
MANAGEMENT & GENERAL	\$358,900	6.2%
FUNDRAISING	\$1,150,403	19.9%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$5,781,444	
INCREASE (DECREASE IN NET ASSETS)	-\$377,846	

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