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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

Over the last 26 years, IJM has seen over 95,000 rescues – that’s 95,000 lives that are forever changed. But IJM’s vision does not stop at rescue. We are strengthening justice systems so that people are protected from violence in the first place. Together, we are working to create a world where freedom and justice prevail.

In December 2023, IJM officially registered our newest program office in Dhaka, Bangladesh. Together with local authorities and civil society, we will combat human trafficking in various regions of the country, seeking to protect more than 50 million people in Bangladesh from exploitation by 2030.

This year, we celebrated the significant milestone of reducing child sex trafficking by 78% in the Dominican Republic. This is the most recent of nine programs to successfully and sustainably protect vulnerable people from violence at scale. Now more than 340,000 children in the Dominican Republic are safe from ever being trafficked in the first place. It shows that transformation is possible and marks the conclusion of our program work in the Dominican Republic.

As we celebrate the opening of an office in one part of the world and the completion of work in another part, I am reminded of what is at the core of IJM’s work: Strengthening local justice systems. Once justice is maintained independently, our work is complete.

And we cannot do it alone.

As IJM strives towards building safer communities where everyone can live freely without fear of violence or slavery, we will continue to equip partners to join us, mobilise advocates to demand justice and ask governments and corporations to help end slavery in our lifetime. We rely on the support of passionate Australians who are committed to growing the justice movement.

Following the close of this financial year, we are delighted to welcome David Braga as the new Chief

Executive Officer of IJM Australia. David brings a wealth of experience from the financial sector, coupled with a deep engagement in non-for-profits and a strategic vision. I am hopeful for the days ahead, and excited about the opportunities and impact that lie ahead under David’s leadership.

I commend the IJM Australia team for their agility and dedication this past year as they navigated transitions. Their skills and passion have enabled Australians across all spheres of life to engage closer with our mission of protecting half a billion people from violence.

I would also like to thank the volunteer board for their wisdom and insights.

We are incredibly grateful to those who continue to assist us in so many ways to achieve IJM’s vision. Thank you for your support as we make justice for people in poverty unstoppable.

Sincerely,



Dr Lindsay McMillan OAM
Board Chair, IJM Australia

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

Since joining IJM in April 2024, I have been inspired by the incredible community of passionate Australians who have used their resources, time and voices to make giant strides forward in the fight against slavery.

I had the privilege of visiting our field office in Thailand earlier this year. A question that came up repeatedly during this trip was “What does it mean to live outside the protection of the law?” As we drove past a home and a factory that marked former places of captivity and oppression, and later got the opportunity to meet a survivor of forced scamming, I got a clear image of the devastating answer to this question. But whilst these experiences highlighted the depth of the problem, I was also encouraged by the brilliance of the solution that IJM offers. IJM work with prosecutors and other justice system officials to ensure that traffickers and perpetrators are held accountable, stopping the cycle of violence and deterring others from abusing vulnerable people addresses the root of the issue.

Australia’s Unique Position

In Australia, we have a unique opportunity to be part of the solution of various tech-fueled forms of modern slavery. Scams affect countless Australians but are often sent by victims of scams themselves, trapped in massive compounds in Southeast Asia. Child abuse through a webcam is paid for by Western men, including Australians. The global nature of these crimes is undeniable. It highlights that it is now more important than ever to rally more Australians behind our mission and invite corporations, governments, and entire communities into our fight for justice.

Survivors Creating Change

I am deeply moved by the many survivors that were once oppressed in slavery and violence. They were

not only able to escape captivity but are now thriving in freedom. Many survivors are becoming advocates of change themselves, as we can see in the growth and founding of many new chapters of the Global Survivor Network in the past year. As these survivors call for the freedom of others, advocate for change to government and corporations, are involved in designing groundbreaking studies and inform post-rescue processes, I am reminded of the powerful voice survivors of slavery and violence hold.

I encourage you, as you read this report, to keep in mind that behind every number is a real person.

With your partnership, we can continue to build a profound movement that works to strengthen justice systems and ends slavery once and for all.

Until all are free,



David Braga,
CEO, IJM Australia





Our Vision

RESCUE MILLIONS, PROTECT HALF A BILLION, AND MAKE JUSTICE FOR PEOPLE IN POVERTY UNSTOPPABLE.

Throughout the past year, you gave freedom to thousands of men, women and children across the globe. You made rescue, restoration and protection possible on a global scale.

And freedom is needed now more than ever: Over 50 million people are trapped in slavery right now.¹ A further 5 billion are at high risk of everyday violence because they live outside the protection of the law.²

We believe these people can be protected. And we intend to do it at scale. **Your partnership can make it a reality.**

1. International Labour Organisation and Global Slavery Estimate 2022 (Walk Free)
2. World Justice Project

Our Mission

We are working to protect vulnerable people from violence by rescuing victims, bringing criminals to justice, restoring survivors to safety and strength, and helping local law enforcement build a safe future that lasts.

At IJM, we free and protect people trapped in slavery and violence. But we don't stop there. Our goal is to prevent the violence from ever happening in the first place. We strengthen local justice systems to build communities where all people can be safe and protected.

To find out more, visit:

 IJM.org.au/our-work



“For the hundreds of millions of the world’s poorest people who live outside the protection of the rule of law, the principal reason they suffer abuse is often not the absence of good laws, but the absence of a functioning public justice system to enforce those laws.”

GARY HAUGEN, FOUNDER & CEO OF INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE MISSION

Together with your help:



We rescue and restore victims

We partner with local authorities to rescue and restore survivors.



We bring criminals to justice

We collaborate with local justice systems to arrest and convict criminals.



We strengthen justice systems

We work with justice system officials to ensure that criminals are held accountable, stopping the cycle of violence and deterring criminals.



We scale demand for protection

We equip champions to advocate for protection as an essential and tangible future for everyone.

Our Model

How we create lasting change: Global Protection Model

The global protection model is our working hypothesis of how to strengthen justice systems and achieve protection. It is intended for use by implementing partners and IJM staff when designing and implementing Justice System Strengthening Programs. The model is informed by the experiences of survivor and community leaders, host governments, implementing partners, IJM staff, corporations, international institutions, and data.

The global model describes best practices applicable across the geographies and case types where IJM works and serves as a framework and template for program teams to create their own context-specific models. Rather than spending energy to develop programming that other IJM programs have already established, program teams can focus their time and expertise on contextualising and implementing the model.

The Global Protection Model in Action



PHASE 1: GOVERNMENT BUY IN

Government engages with key stakeholders on protection.

PHASE 2: GOVERNMENT INVOLVEMENT

Government takes new actions to protect people in collaboration with key stakeholders.

PHASE 3: GOVERNMENT INDEPENDENT CHANGE

Government takes independent actions to strengthen its response to slavery and violence.

PHASE 4: GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE

Government implements necessary conditions to address slavery and violence in a systemic matter.

PHASE 5: GOVERNMENT PROTECTION

Project targets met for increased justice system performance, decreased prevalence of the crime and improved confidence and reliance on the justice system.

How we operate: Global Programs & Jurisdictions

Under the umbrella of 12 global programs, we have identified 56 specific jurisdictions around the world to apply our model to. While these locations are spread out across continents, they all have two things in common: each jurisdiction contains horrific violence and the potential for dramatic transformation.

The ultimate goal of each jurisdiction is to strengthen local justice systems. When local justice systems are equipped and strengthened to maintain justice independently, our work is complete, and we close our office. Success for IJM looks like completed and closed offices in jurisdictions. We have already completed our work in nine jurisdictions with a successful 50%-86% decrease in violence and slavery of the targeted casework.



And we're not done yet.

IJM's teams around the world have a plan to expand this protection to millions more vulnerable people. Across the remaining 47 identified jurisdictions, drastic reductions in violence are possible, with the potential to **protect 490 million more people** from slavery and abuse.

The key areas of intervention by IJM and our partners include:



CASEWORK

Provides technical support to the justice system and local survivor services on individual cases and overall infrastructure.



CAPACITY BUILDING

Provides training and supports government in developing sustainable systems to build and maintain institutional capacity.



DATA MANAGEMENT

Builds the capacity of the government to monitor protection on an ongoing basis.



SURVIVOR LEADERSHIP

Empowers and supports survivors in leading the movement against violence.



NARRATIVE BUILDING

Builds community recognition of the problem, justice system improvements, and how to report incidents.



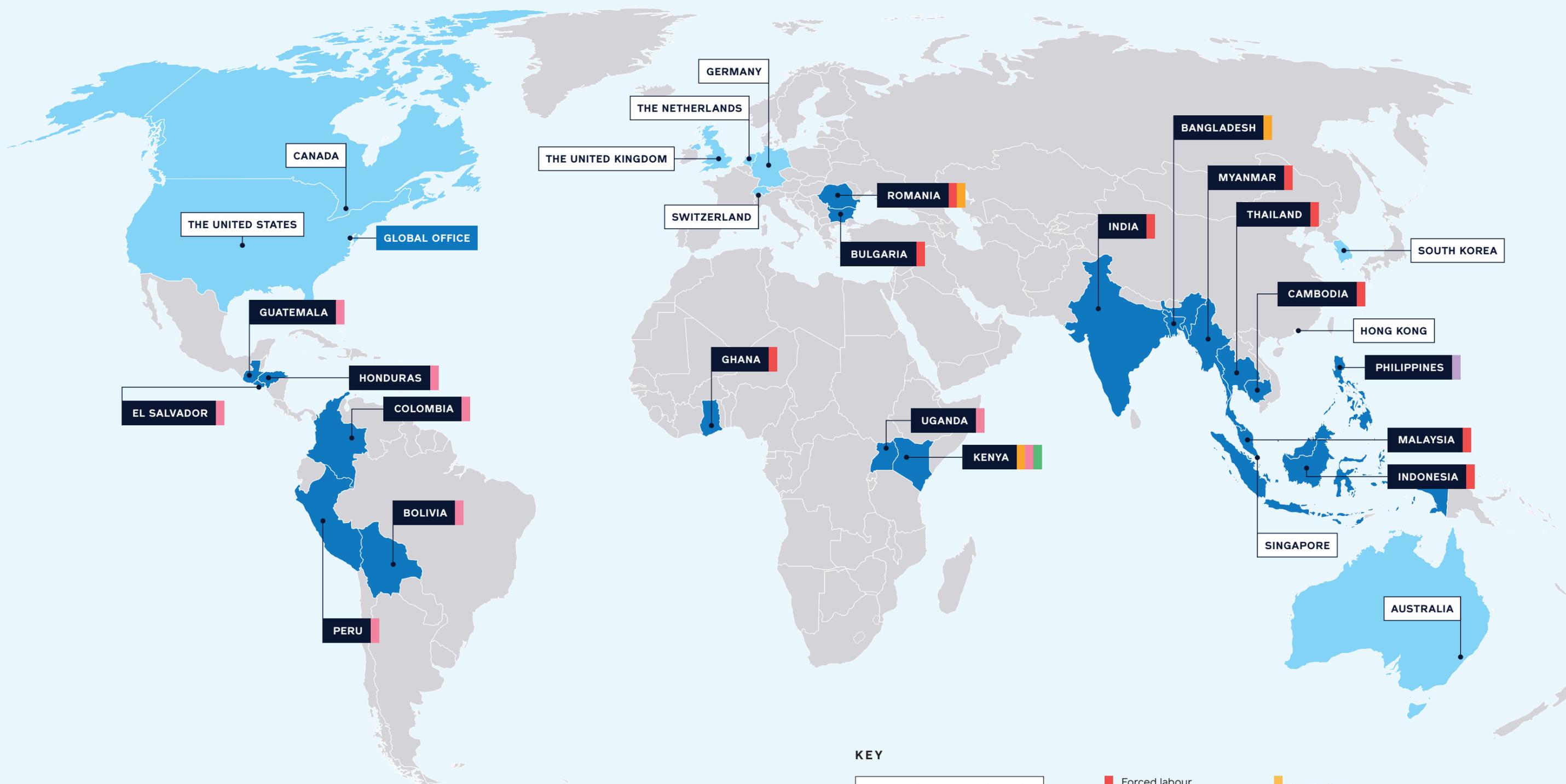
ADVOCACY

Takes strategic action directed at changing the policies, positions, practices, or programs of the government.

IJM reduced slavery and violence by 50-86% in specific case types in nine different jurisdictions around the world.



WHERE WE WORK



KEY

- ADVANCEMENT OFFICE
- FIELD OFFICE

- Forced labour slavery
- Sex Trafficking
- Online Sexual Exploitation of Children
- Police Abuse of Power
- Violence Against Women and Children

YOUR GLOBAL IMPACT

Your support is making justice unstoppable



Victims Rescued

10,569



Survivors Restored

246*



Perpetrators Restrained

3,222



Perpetrators Convicted

2,583



Partners Trained

44,467



Survivors Equipped to Advocate

85

Reporting reflective of activities of IJM and partners between April 2023 and March 2024.

*This number represents survivors "fully restored" using IJM's externally validated Assessment of Survivor Outcomes tool. There are thousands more survivors currently receiving support and participating in ongoing aftercare programs.

YOU ENABLED RESCUE

Children, women and men in vulnerable communities are threatened every day by physical abuse, forced labour, sex trafficking and other forms of extreme violence.

Your support changed that by helping IJM provide the resources and training needed by local authorities to bring rescue and urgent relief to those who need it most.



IJM stock image used. No actual survivors are depicted.

INDIA

A surprise inspection leads to freedom for 12 young boys forced to make jewelry 12 hours a day

With guidance and training from IJM, the local government in Tamil Nadu conducted a surprise inspection of a jewellery factory leading to the rescue of 12 victims of human trafficking and child bonded labour.

The boys were lured by advance payments of less than \$300 AUD, then forced to work 12-hour days in inhumane conditions. They were given official Release Certificates from the government cancelling their debts and stayed at a safe government-run shelter where they received aftercare until authorities arranged their safe return home.

SOUTHEAST ASIA

A new form of trafficking quickly emerges, and IJM is among the first responders to help fight it

Almost overnight, forced scamming has become one of the fastest-growing forms of human trafficking in the world. Vulnerable people in Southeast Asia desperate for a stable income are targeted online by promising job opportunities, only to be trapped in compounds against their will and forced to scam others online. If they don't comply or fail to meet quotas, they are often beaten, abused and in some cases tortured.

Over 200,000 people are believed to be trapped in forced scamming compounds right now in countries like Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar and the Philippines.

Our work to address forced scamming has been featured in international news stories from major news outlets like the BBC, spurring governments across the world to begin working together to combat this new cross-border crime.

In 2023, IJM helped to relieve more than 200 individuals from forced scamming within Southeast Asia's scam compounds.

“This went from what was formerly a nascent industry to what we believe is one of the densest concentrations of forced labour anywhere on the planet.”

JACOB SIMS, IJM SENIOR TECHNICAL ADVISOR ON FORCED CRIMINALITY

CAMBODIA

IJM helps rescue 28 victims of forced scamming and arrange their safe return home

When a local IJM partner in Cambodia learned of a group of Indonesians suspected of being trafficked and forced to work at an online scam center, they immediately referred the case to the Indonesian embassy and local police.

This report kickstarted a collaborative, cross-border effort between IJM and several Cambodian and Indonesian authorities to locate and rescue the group. Within two weeks, they were found and rescued, and the process of repatriation began.

Survivors told police they were tricked online into travelling to Cambodia for jobs, only to have their passports confiscated upon arrival. They were physically beaten and abused when they didn't meet scamming quotas or made simple mistakes.

Thanks to IJM's collaborative work with local partners and authorities, not only were victims rescued but also received a range of support like counselling, interpretation services and even food and amenities while waiting for repatriation back home.



IJM stock image used. No actual survivors are depicted.

Rescue happened around the world

AFRICA & EUROPE

128

Target: 195

ASIA PACIFIC

595

Target: 539

LATIN AMERICA

5,777

Target: 5,306

SOUTH ASIA

4,069

Target: 1,005

TOTAL

10,569 RESCUED VICTIMS

Target: 7,045

YOU ENABLED RESTORATION

After rescue, healing can begin. With your partnership, IJM supports survivors as they set out on the journey of healing. As they experience restoration, they can thrive in their communities and become influential voices leading the fight against violence.



Survivors from the Amaragiri Village.

PERU

Child survivors are reminded they are “More than Conquerors” at survivor-led retreat

A retreat hosted by IJM and local partner Paz y Esperanza welcomed 10 child survivors to participate in a week of hope, healing and transformation. The children, ranging from 10 to 18 years old, played games and made crafts to help provide them with peer support and social integration.

To teach the children to channel their pain to develop strength and resilience, a leader from the GSN chapter in Bolivia shared her own story of transformation. IJM will continue to work with GSN chapters and local partners to host these gatherings to strengthen community-based protection and ensure that children receive the support needed to avoid re-victimisation.

INDIA

A village once enslaved demonstrates the power of healing in community

For over three decades, an entire village called Amaragiri was enslaved by local businessmen who trapped them all in false debt. This small fishing town of about 100 people were forced to work and give almost all their earnings to the men who enslaved them in bonded labour.

When IJM’s local partner discovered the crime and reported it to authorities, the government at first doubted that this could be happening. But after continued advocacy, they intervened. Authorities issued Release Certificates to all villagers in 2016, formally acknowledging their freedom from any false debts.

Today the village is thriving, and recently celebrated seven years of freedom. IJM’s local partner educated community leaders on their legal rights, including government resources available to them, to ensure that they would never be exploited again. Families now fish to earn income for themselves, children attend school, and neighbours support each other’s needs. Under the protection of the government, Amaragiri has become a place where survivors flourish in safety.

ROMANIA

Samara’s* journey from abuse to restoration

For five years, Samara experienced a brutal cycle of abuse and sexual exploitation, being trafficked from Romania to the UK. Suddenly, back in Romania, the traffickers kicked her out of the house, Samara was finally free. She bravely went to the police. Her case was passed to a specialised human trafficking prosecutor, who had previously attended IJM training. He referred the case to IJM. IJM came alongside Samara with urgent psychological and legal support. Today, two years after IJM’s support began, Samara is a strong and resilient mother who is focused on her family’s future. With IJM’s support, she’s got her driver’s license and completed a floristry course.

Samara reached another dream in November 2023 - marrying a man who loves and respects her. Samara and her husband are beginning their married life together with their children in a village in Romania.

*A pseudonym

“I see hope when survivors manage to work through their trauma and are able to build a new happy life.”

IJM ROMANIA STAFF



IJM stock image used. Actor used to portray Samara.

Restoration took place for survivors of slavery and violence:

AFRICA & EUROPE

35

Target: 117

ASIA PACIFIC

198

Target: 113

LATIN AMERICA

13

Target: 35

TOTAL

246 RESTORED SURVIVORS*

Target: 300

*This number represents survivors “fully restored” using IJM’s externally validated Assessment of Survivor Outcomes tool. There are thousands more survivors currently receiving support and participating in ongoing aftercare programs.

YOU ENABLED JUSTICE

Because of you, IJM helped protect vulnerable people from exploitation by ensuring local governments could enforce laws to hold perpetrators accountable, deter violence and make communities safer.



Image from the launch of a 6-month project between IJM and the Tiruvallur District Police in Chennai to build confidence in local law enforcement.

INDIA

Violent traffickers sentenced to life as India affirms commitment to protect victims of trafficking

Most people believe bonded labour stopped when it was outlawed by the Indian government in 1976. But some traffickers ignored the law and continued to exploit people for cheap, dangerous labour. When a violent trafficking case made headlines, local courts responded with the full force of the law.

In 2016, eight traffickers were sentenced to life in prison after they cut off the hands of two victims who tried to escape. The brutality of the incident brought national attention to the reality that people were still being exploited today.

The life sentences were the longest ever delivered in an Indian bonded labour case. When the traffickers attempted to appeal the verdict in 2023, the High Court responded by saying there would be “no leniency in punishment” for those who committed such violent crimes — both a reassurance to potential future victims and a stern warning to other traffickers.

UGANDA

A 14-year-old survivor bravely stands up to the Army officer who assaulted her

Hana* was only a teenager when a military officer who knew the family exploited their trust and sexually assaulted her several times. When the family bravely reported the crime, the accused officer resisted arrest and drew a gun at the police investigating him.

Despite his intimidation tactics, IJM investigators worked with local authorities to support Hana’s case and ensure the perpetrator would not escape justice. He was soon arrested, charged in court and sentenced to 14 years in prison.

Following the verdict, IJM Uganda Legal Coordinator Florence Lora Atim said “I believe this sentence will send a strong message out to the community that abuse of children is a crime.”

*A pseudonym

“With the support of IJM Uganda, Hana was courageous and determined to undertake the justice journey.”

FLORENCE LORA ATIM,
IJM UGANDA LEGAL COORDINATOR



IJM stock image used. No actual survivors are depicted.

PHILIPPINES

Trafficker gets four life sentences for online sexual exploitation of children

In November 2023, IJM Philippines saw a trafficker sentenced to four life terms — one of the strongest penalties ever imposed in a case of online child sexual exploitation (OSEC).

The court found the female trafficker guilty of trafficking, child abuse, and offering child sexual abuse material online. In addition to multiple life terms, the trafficker was sentenced to another 14 years in prison and fined 7.5 million Philippine pesos (over \$200,000 AUD).

IJM provided technical and legal support to government prosecutors on the case. IJM Cebu Director, Atty. Lucille

Dejito said: “This stands out as one of the most robust sentences we at IJM have witnessed in a conviction for a case of OSEC. Convictions like this help to intensify the deterrence of this crime.”

The case first came to light when the Philippine National Police received information from the Nordic Police Liaison in Manila about the arrest of a Swedish national who procured child sexual exploitation material from the Philippines. When the Filipino trafficker offered to sexually abuse her six-year-old son and a one-year-old girl for profit, she was arrested, and her son and daughter were rescued.

Perpetrators are held accountable and convicted around the world:

AFRICA & EUROPE

47

Target: 91

ASIA PACIFIC

155

Target: 80

LATIN AMERICA

2,378

Target: 1,106

SOUTH ASIA

3

Target: 1

TOTAL

2,583 CONVICTIONS

Target: 1,278

YOU ENABLED PROTECTION

IJM's 26 years of experience have shown us that violence thrives in places where laws are not properly enforced to hold perpetrators accountable, deter crime and protect the most vulnerable people in the community.

IJM helps transform communities by providing resources and training to local partners, government authorities and law enforcement, working with them until they are empowered to protect their own people.

When laws are enforced, violence plummets. Every time.



IJM stock image used. No actual survivors are depicted.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

IJM helps reduce child sex trafficking by 78% in the Dominican Republic

When IJM's office in the Dominican Republic first opened in 2013, children were openly trafficked in the streets, on public beaches and in parks because traffickers had no fear of getting caught.

Today, that no longer happens. Perpetrators are too scared to traffic children, because law enforcement now has the training and resources needed to enforce local laws effectively. More children are being rescued and more perpetrators are being arrested and convicted for trafficking than ever before.

As a result, child sex trafficking across the country has been measurably reduced by 78%. That means more than 340,000 children in the Dominican Republic are now safe from ever being trafficked in the first place.

IJM's work to strengthen the local justice system in the Dominican Republic is the most recent of nine programs to successfully and sustainably protect vulnerable people from violence at scale.

The story behind the impact numbers from IJM's work in the Dominican Republic is similar to the eight successful programs that preceded it - a fundamental shift in culture. Traffickers are now afraid of consequences. During a recent study, undercover investigators posed as customers to see if they could purchase a minor for sex. One trafficker replied, "That's not allowed. The police will arrest you." Another trafficker responded, "It can't be done there."

ROMANIA

IJM and the Government of Romania host conference to unify European response against human trafficking

To improve measures to combat human trafficking across Europe, IJM worked with the Government of Romania to bring together high-ranking leaders from across the continent for an international conference.

IJM CEO Gary Haugen gathered with the US ambassador, the Romanian prime minister and other high-profile attendees around a common objective: combating cross-border human trafficking and finding solutions to incriminate the demand and combat human trafficking facilitated by technology.

The conference helped reinforce a high level of trust in IJM as expert partners and leaders in the fight against trafficking and encourage stronger cross-border networks that will one day help bring an end to trafficking in Europe.



MALAYSIA

IJM helps equip 180 local officials to provide victims of trafficking with trauma-informed care

Law enforcement officers and public prosecutors from six different departments and agencies in Malaysia came together for a comprehensive training session on the importance of a victim-centred approach to combating trafficking.

Law enforcement officials are typically trained to arrest perpetrators, but rescuing victims requires

additional skills to ensure they feel safe, protected and cared for.

A holistic approach to justice system strengthening ensures that rescue operations and arrests are all done with equal consideration for the health and well-being of the victim.

Local officials and other external partners were trained:

AFRICA & EUROPE

1,641

ASIA PACIFIC

4,771

LATIN AMERICA

18,342

SOUTH ASIA

19,713

TOTAL

44,467 TRAINED

YOU ENABLED A GLOBAL MOVEMENT OF JUSTICE

You helped enable a global movement of justice by making the problem of violence impossible to ignore. Advocacy across the globe helps people in places of power and influence take notice of human trafficking and slavery. And when governments, corporations and public figures begin to lend their resources to fight, justice becomes unstoppable on a global scale.



IJM stock image used. No actual survivors are depicted.

THE PHILIPPINES

A groundbreaking new study from IJM sparks global conversation about OSEC

Online sexual exploitation of children (OSEC) is one of the hardest crimes to detect, meaning it's also one of the hardest to stop. Without a clear picture of how widespread OSEC is, it's impossible to know whether progress is being made to stop it.

This year, your support helped bridge that gap. In October, together with Nottingham Rights Lab, IJM released the Scale of Harm study that for the first time helps authorities better understand how perpetrators operate, how many children are at risk and how we can create a plan to end it for good.

The study revealed that in 2022 alone, 1 in 100 Filipino children were sexually exploited via livestream to create new abuse images and videos in the Philippines, driven by foreign demand.

These findings are a groundbreaking major step towards ensuring all children in the Philippines are no longer in danger of sexual exploitation. With more information in front of us, advocacy groups and government leaders are in a better position to urge the passing of online legislation to protect children in places like Europe, the U.K., the US, Canada and Australia where the demand for this material is generated.

GHANA

United Way and IJM join forces to fight human trafficking in Ghana

Recognising a shared vision of creating community-based solutions to fight human trafficking in Ghana, IJM and United Way began working together on "The Anti-Child Trafficking Project." This initiative supports Ghana's Global Survivor Network (GSN) chapter by providing comprehensive trainings on self-empowerment, human trafficking and the law, advocacy and the power of storytelling, public speaking and more.

Jerry, the president of a GSN chapter in Ghana called the "Courageous Crew", put the training he received to immediate use. When he received a call from a man who feared to work on Lake Volta, Jerry took what he learned and acted without hesitation.

Along with other Courageous Crew members, Jerry intercepted the children being trafficked at a local bus stop and contacted the police. Today, instead of performing life-threatening tasks on the lake, they are collecting their school supplies and uniforms in anticipation for school.



Image from the launch of the "Courageous Crew" survivor chapter

Survivors are leading a global movement to stop slavery and violence once and for all.

Nobody knows more about what survivors need than survivors themselves. That's why survivor voices are crucial to creating sustainable change. As IJM partners with aftercare workers, social services and governments to serve and care for victims, we believe that survivors are the experts who are shaping the path forward. The Global Survivor Network (GSN) is their platform to influence lasting change on a global scale.

"Survivor experiences are different, but somehow, by speaking with someone who has a similar experience, they will be able to gain strength and be comfortable sharing their stories and this could be a stepping stone for them towards advocating for change."

**RUBY*,
SURVIVOR OF OSEC & GSN MEMBER**

85

SURVIVORS EQUIPPED TO ADVOCATE IN FY23

28

GLOBAL SURVIVOR NETWORK CHAPTERS

4,000+

SURVIVORS LEADING THE MOVEMENT

YOU ENABLED ADVOCACY IN AUSTRALIA

In Australia, advocacy is building momentum and effecting systemic change against OSEC and modern slavery, bringing freedom to those who need it most. Together, we are amplifying the voices of survivor leaders, leading the national conversation with governments and engaging the Australian public to advocate for change.



Funding for Anti-Slavery Commissioner Approved

In May 2023, the government budgeted \$8 million over four years, plus \$2 million annually, to establish a federal Anti-Slavery Commissioner. This Commissioner will work with the government, industry, and civil society to support compliance with the Modern Slavery Act 2018, improve supply chain transparency, and combat modern slavery in Australia and abroad. In May 2024, Parliament passed legislation to officially create Australia's first national Anti-Slavery Commissioner.

Strengthening Australia's Online Safety Standards: IJM's impact on key changes and implementation

Over the past year, IJM advocated for stronger industry standards under Australia's Online Safety Act. IJM's recommendations led to key safety measures, including mandatory detection and removal of child sexual abuse material, disrupting livestreamed content, and ongoing investments in safety technologies and staff.

These measures, which apply to a wide range of digital services including the world's major platforms, also ensure protections extend to non-users at risk of harm and require service providers to report their actions, ensuring greater transparency and accountability. The industry standards were officially registered by Australia's eSafety Commissioner in June 2024.

“Australian Government regulation of the tech sector has real-world impacts on the protection of vulnerable children in countries like the Philippines from online sexual exploitation and abuse by Australian offenders.”

GRACE WONG,
IJM AUSTRALIA CHIEF ADVOCACY OFFICER

IJM Australia achieved coverage across web, TV and radio:



Almost 2.5 million people reached



\$950,000 in earned media



145 media mentions in newspapers, online articles and radio

During the past year, IJM has made great strides in fostering collaboration with the Australian Government to combat modern slavery and the online sexual exploitation of children. Here are some of the highlights.

September 2023

IJM hosted the US Ambassador-At-Large to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Cindy Dyer, and Principal Deputy-Director of the US Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Dr Kari Johnstone to discuss the importance of collaboration to counter the rise of forced scamming, and the new Australia-United States Joint Council on combatting online child sexual exploitation.

November 2023

IJM Advocacy team held 18 meetings across seven days in Canberra with federal parliamentarians and public service representatives to press our case for strengthening Australia's Modern Slavery Act, strengthening online safety regulations to protect children from online sexual exploitation, and responding to the crisis of trafficking into online scam centres.

February 2024

Commonwealth Attorney-General, Hon Mark Dreyfus KC, MP, met with Attorney Samson Inocencio (IJM Regional Vice President, OSEC Hub, National Director, IJM Philippines and recent US Trafficking in Persons Hero Award recipient) and IJM team to discuss the ongoing collaboration between Australia and the Philippines in countering the online sexual exploitation of Filipino children.

March 2024

Attorney Samson Inocencio met with the Commander of the Australian Centre to Counter Child Exploitation (ACCCE), Helen Schneider, and IJM team in Brisbane. They discussed IJM's partnership with the ACCCE through the Philippines Internet Crimes Against Children Centre in Manila, where IJM and the Australian Federal Police collaborate with international law enforcement partners to apprehend perpetrators of OSEC and rescue victims.



IJM AUSTRALIA'S FINANCES

We make sure your generosity counts in the fight to end slavery.

IJM Australia's accounting period is April 2023 - March 2024 to align with IJM Global Office based in the North America. We ensure that funds are allocated wisely to bring support and fund programs where the need is deemed the greatest.

Thank you for your generosity and passion for justice. These numbers represent the combined effort of thousands of supporters around Australia.

As a significant six-year grant is approaching its conclusion, we are making investments to sustain our momentum and diversify our income base. We are encouraged by the significant results we have already started to see. As we serve people in poverty around the world, we are confident that all funds invested are rigorously evaluated for their strategic impact, ensuring that they will bear significant fruit in the years to come.

TOTAL REVENUE

\$6,904,396

DONATIONS RECEIVED

\$3,973,812

GRANTS RECEIVED

\$2,776,202

GLOBAL PROGRAM CONTRIBUTIONS

\$3,106,426

14%

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

You helped us advocate to government, businesses, schools, universities and churches.

21%

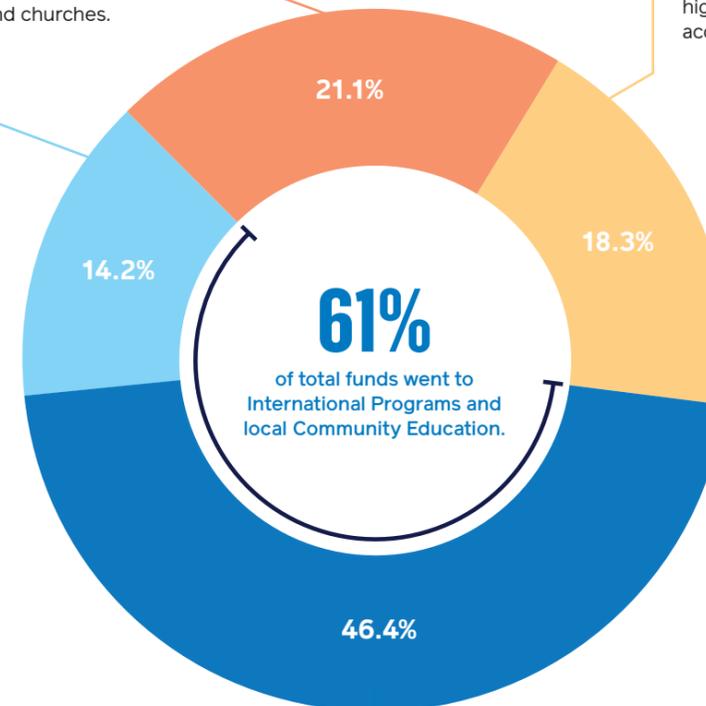
FUNDRAISING

To the 2,417 individuals who donated this year, thank you for joining us in the fight for justice.

18%

ACCOUNTABILITY & ADMINISTRATION

IJM Australia adheres to the highest standards of accountability and transparency.



GLOBAL PROGRAM DISTRIBUTIONS

\$3,106,426

\$2,467,186
ONLINE SEXUAL
EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN

\$266,190
PROGRAM
SUPPORT COSTS

\$205,000
FORCED LABOUR
SLAVERY

\$85,197
SEX TRAFFICKING

\$56,983
GLOBAL,
URGENT NEEDS

\$24,440
VIOLENCE AGAINST
WOMEN AND CHILDREN

\$1,430
POLICE ABUSE OF POWER

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the Year Ended 31 March 2024	2024	2023
REVENUE	\$	\$
Donations and gifts		
Monetary	3,960,884	3,550,983
Non-monetary	12,928	-
Bequests and legacies	-	-
Grants		
Government	29,735	-
Other Australian	2,746,467	6,167,767
Investment income	12,795	6,921
Other income	141,587	146,322
TOTAL REVENUE	6,904,396	9,871,993
EXPENDITURE		
International Aid and Development Programs Expenditure		
International programs		
Funds to international programs	2,840,236	6,202,521
Program support costs	266,190	170,404
Community Education	952,580	1,432,770
Fundraising costs public	1,411,103	1,115,236
Accountability and Administration	1,227,431	1,255,258
Non-monetary expenditure	12,928	-
Total International Aid and Development Programs Expenditure	6,710,468	10,176,189
Other Expenditure	19,319	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	6,729,787	10,176,189
EXCESS / SHORTFALL OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE	174,609	(304,196)
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	174,609	(304,196)

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 March 2024	2024	2023
ASSETS	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	503,335	315,730
Trade and other receivables	109,879	112,885
Inventories	6,533	6,533
Contract Assets	80,264	-
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	700,011	435,148
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	97,815	118,604
Intangible assets	58,606	105,282
Right-of-use asset	264,787	409,215
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	421,208	633,101
TOTAL ASSETS	1,121,219	1,068,249
LIABILITIES CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	148,622	149,323
Lease liabilities	158,284	145,798
Short-term provisions	83,982	118,672
Income in advance	86,031	12,233
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	476,919	426,026
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Long-term provisions	30,767	45,014
Lease liabilities	141,413	299,697
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	172,180	344,712
TOTAL LIABILITIES	649,099	770,738
NET ASSETS	472,120	297,511
EQUITY		
Accumulated surplus	472,120	297,511
TOTAL EQUITY	472,120	297,511

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

2024	Accumulated surplus \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 April 2023	297,511	297,511
Surplus for the year	174,609	174,609
Balance at 31 March 2024	472,120	472,120
2023	Accumulated surplus \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 April 2022	601,707	601,707
Deficit for the year	(304,196)	(304,196)
Balance at 31 March 2023	297,511	297,511



IJM Australia Ltd
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Report of the Independent Auditor on the Summary Financial Statements

Opinion

The summary financial statements, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2024, the statement of income and expenditure and other comprehensive income, and statement of changes in equity for the year then ended are derived from the audited financial report of IJM Australia Ltd for the year ended 31 March 2024.

In our opinion, the accompanying summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial report.

Annual Report

The financial statements in the annual report do not contain all the disclosures required by the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*. Reading the financial statements in the annual report and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial report and the auditor's report thereon. The annual report and the audited financial report do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our report on the audited financial report.

The Audited Financial Report and Our Report Thereon

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited financial report in our report dated 29 August 2024.

Board's Responsibility for the Annual Report

The board is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial statements in the annual report.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial report based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Auditing Standard ASA 810 *Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements*.

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Christian, Professional, Bridge Building

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