

**UNITED NATIONS
VOLUNTARY
TRUST FUND ON
CONTEMPORARY
FORMS OF
SLAVERY
2020**


REBUILDING LIVES & EMPOWERING CIVIL SOCIETY



**UNITED NATIONS
HUMAN RIGHTS**
OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER

THE UNITED NATIONS SLAVERY FUND

- Established in 1991 by General Assembly resolution 46/122
- Has a global outreach (present in 33 countries in 2020)
- Provides direct assistance to victims of contemporary forms of slavery
- Assistance can take the form of humanitarian, medical, psychological legal and social aid, and vocational training
- Funds projects implemented by civil society actors, including non-governmental organizations, rehabilitation centres, victims' associations, public interest law firms, legal clinics and trade unions
- Awards yearly grants of an average of USD 30,000, on a competitive basis (a call for applications is open from 15 January until 1st March each year)

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**Supporting victims
of trafficking
through legal and
psychological
services**

Comité Contre L'Esclavage Moderne, France

CONTEMPORARY FORMS OF SLAVERY INCLUDE

Traditional slavery

Worst forms of
child labour

Trafficking for
sexual
exploitation and
forced labour

Bonded labour

Forced labour

Early and forced
marriage

Commercial
sexual
exploitation of
children

Sexual slavery

Widow
inheritance

Serfdom

Sale of wives

Other emerging
contemporary
forms of slavery

Helping children to
access education
after years of
exploitation as
domestic
servitude

Restavek, Haiti



MISSION STATEMENT

- Promotes a victim-centred approach
- Has an impartial, universal mandate
- Is not a substitute for the obligation of States under international law to assist victims of contemporary forms of slavery
- Forms partnerships with both grass-roots and well-established organizations
- Contributes to meeting Sustainable Development Goal # 8.7 “to eradicate forced labour, end modern slavery and human trafficking”
- Coordinates with other United Nations anti-slavery programmes and mechanisms
- Enables knowledge-sharing in the field of rehabilitation and redress for survivors of contemporary forms of slavery

Assisting children subjected to the worst forms of child labour through holistic assistance



Vibhawari Kamble, India

MANAGEMENT OF THE FUND

- The Fund is subject to United Nations Rules and Regulations
- It is managed by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on behalf of the Secretary-General
- Acts on the advice of a Board of Trustees composed of five independent experts, representing the five geographical regions
- The United Nations Secretary-General reports annually on the Fund to the General Assembly


Contributing to the Sustainable Development Goal # 8.7, through projects addressing slavery in the context of supply chains



ACCOUNTABILITY OF THE FUND

- The Fund's Secretariat applies a right-based approach and thorough monitoring and evaluation methodology to ensure accountability in the use of grants
- As a rule, first-time applicants are visited in order to verify the admissibility and feasibility of the project
- Grantees are required to provide yearly narrative and financial reports on the use of the grants and some projects are selected for audits

WHAT THE FUND WILL DO IN 2020



Since 1991, the Fund has awarded over 450 organizations worldwide assisting survivors of slavery

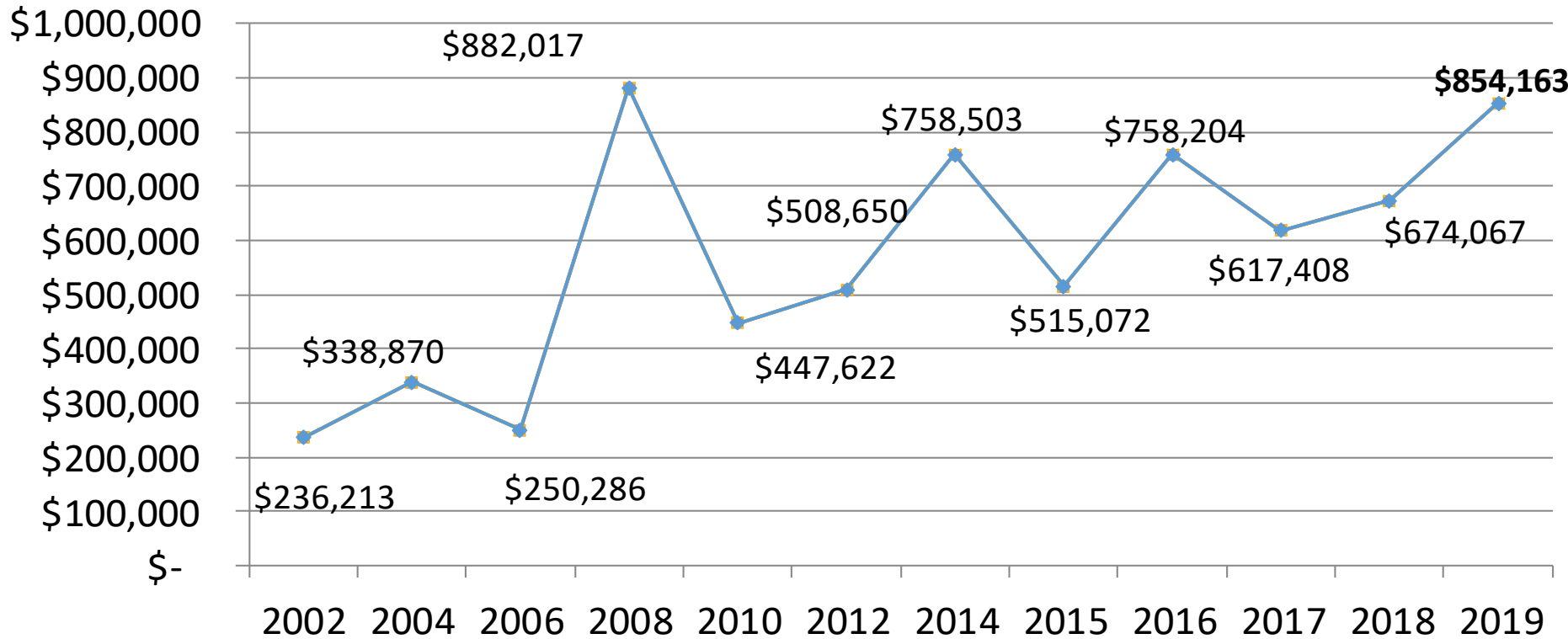
In 2020, the Fund will support 37 projects for a total of US\$ 674,000

Approximately 15,000 victims will be assisted in 33 countries in all regions of the world

Of those, 32% will provide assistance to victims of trafficking for sexual exploitation and for forced labour; 19% of forced and bonded labour; 19% of worst forms of child labour; 8% of supply chain; 8% of domestic servitude and debt bondage, 8% of forced and early marriage and 5% of traditional slavery.

YEARLY INCOME (IN USD) 2002-2019

Voluntary contributions received by the Fund



PACIFIC LINKS
FOUNDATION

Empowering youth
to end human trafficking



APPEAL FOR FUNDING

- Slavery practices remain prevalent worldwide, and survivors require redress and rehabilitation services to recover
- The United Nations Slavery Fund requires a minimum of **USD 1.2 million** in voluntary contributions per year to fulfil its mandate
- Like all United Nations Trust Funds, the Slavery Fund can only receive earmarked contributions
- ANY DONATION CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

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