COMMUNITY-BASED INNOVATIONS TO COMBAT CHILD LABOR THROUGH EDUCATION (CIRCLE I) – SIERRA LEONE COMPONENT

REGION/COUNTRY
AFRICA/Sierra Leone

PROJECT DURATION
September 2004 – September 2007

FISCAL YEAR & FUNDING LEVEL
FY 2004: USD 500,000

PROBLEM TO BE ADDRESSED
Many community-based organizations in areas at risk of child labor may have innovative ideas and approaches to combat child labor through education, but may not have access to funds to carry out their ideas. The CIRCLE project fulfills this need by providing funding opportunities to community-based organizations. This component feeds directly into the existing CIRCLE project, and provides for additional capacity building for non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in Sierra Leone.

RESULTS
The project rescued 26 child trafficking victims and prevented 1,074 at-risk children from being trafficked.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES
1. Identify and promote innovative, locally developed, and community-based pilot projects that successfully address the prevention or withdrawal of child labor/trafficking through education.

2. Document their Best Practices and replicable aspects

SUMMARY OF Activities
Winrock sponsored two rounds of proposal solicitations for Sierra Leone as well as Urgent Action Contracts and Commissioned Contracts to enroll and educate children in innovative, community-based programs in areas at high risk of child trafficking. Four Sierra Leonean NGOs have received a total of 9 subcontracts to develop innovative projects to reduce child labor and trafficking through education.

GRANTEE
Winrock International

IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS
Rehabilitation and Development Agency in Sierra Leone; Community Action and Rural Development; Agriculture Production and Extension Services; Congregation of Christian Brothers.

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