

Srey's Story

Right now, there are 200 million child labourers working worldwide.

150 million of those can be found working in the most hazardous and slave-like conditions, putting their lives at risk for less than a dollar a day.

Close to 1 million girls and boys can be found working here in Cambodia.

- I am here in this brick factory just outside Phnom Penh where Srey Neang and her family work for long hours, they make 4000 of these bricks every day and they only make 2 dollars.

Srey Neang is 13 years old and lives here, beside the brick factory with her family. Just like any other girl, she dreams of what she'd like to become when she's older, but a hopeful future for Srey Neang doesn't look very promising.

- Over half of these children are not even paid because they're working to help their families.

What's even more tragic about this situation is that Srey Neang 's mother will be pulling her completely out of school next year, in order to help the family make enough money just to buy food. Without an education Srey Neang will become even more vulnerable and could fall victim to the sex trade.

But you can help change Srey Neang's future and make her dreams of becoming a teacher easier for her to reach. Worldvision is working with families and communities, helping them to start their own small businesses so they can support themselves and keep their kids in school.

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