



CONSORTIUM FOR STREET CHILDREN

- In **2002** CSC organised Regional Civil Society Forums for South Asia and East and Southern Africa to discuss key issues affecting the rights of street children in those parts of the world
- CSC embarked on a two-year research and advocacy project to examine the situation of human rights abuses of street children in juvenile justice systems in six countries: Kenya, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, the Philippines and Romania
- CSC launched the book *Urban Girls*
- CSC joined other NGOs and faith groups to form the coalition International Action Against Child Poverty (IAACP) to follow up on the Initiative on Child Poverty launched by UK Chancellor Gordon Brown
- CSC participated in the UN Commission on Human Rights 57th Session giving written and oral submissions on the need for a UN-appointed Special Rapporteur on Street Children to more effectively address both the underlying causes driving children towards street life and the abuses to which they are subjected
- CSC became an official member of the NGO Group for the Convention on the Rights of the Child and its sub-groups on juvenile justice, child labour and violence against children
- In **2003** CSC developed a comprehensive Child Protection policy - The CSC Child Protection Programme
- CSC launched, for the first time ever, a Small Grant Scheme (SGS), which offers direct funding to overseas grass roots partners of CSC members (over £450K distributed since 2003)
- CSC arranged and led Forums in North and West Africa and South East Asia
- In **2004** CSC's policy research publication: *An Outside Chance: Street Children and Juvenile Justice – an International Perspective* was launched
- CSC's Child Protection Policy, designed and approved in late 2003, was implemented throughout the year
- CSC received funding from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office to conduct an eight-month project to evaluate the effectiveness of police training in relation to street children
- CSC's Advocacy Officer continued to actively participate in the international NGO Advisory Panel to the UN Global Study on Violence Against Children
- CSC secured funding from DfID, the Methodist Relief and Development Fund and Reed Elsevier to develop a teacher's activity pack and accompanying video for 11-14 year-olds in UK schools
- CSC produced a research paper on family reunification for street children based on international lessons learned: *In Best or Vested Interests?*
- CSC held two meetings for the All Party Parliamentary Group on Street Children on the findings of the juvenile justice project and on street children in Africa
- CSC established a web-based project on 'Monitoring of the CRC Reporting Process' in relation to street children
- In **2005** CSC launched its five-year strategy focusing on Prevention and Early Intervention, HIV & AIDS, Violence, Street Child-Centred Education and Child Participation and Empowerment
- CSC produced *Voices From The Street*, a development education project for secondary schools, to make UK children aware of street children worldwide
- CSC launched the *Police Training on Child Rights and Child Protection: Lessons Learned* manual during a special event at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office

- CSC and ChildHope launched the *Child Protection Policies and Procedures Toolkit: How to Create a Child Safe Organisation* at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office
- CSC initiated an eight-month pilot project in Guatemala to train police in child rights and child protection, and created a Spanish translation of CSC's *Police Training on Child Rights and Child Protection*
- CSC jointly initiated the Promotion of Improved Learning Opportunities for Street Children Project UNESCO Bangkok with ChildHope Asia
- CSC commissioned the writing of a report, *The State of the World's Street Children*
- In **2006** CSC led a delegation of Child Welfare Scheme, Railway Children, and Street Child Africa to the XVI International Aids Conference in Toronto, Canada
- CSC facilitated a partnership in Guatemala with the police, the National Association Against Child Abuse (CONACMI), and the Forum for the Protection of Street Children and Youth
- The Consortium highlighted to the Chancellor the need for street children worldwide to have access to healthcare and HIV & AIDS services
- CSC spoke out on behalf of child participation and empowerment at an international conference in Berlin that focused on the needs of street children who originally arrived in EU countries as either legal or illegal migrants with or without their parents
- CSC met with Latin American delegates to the XVII World Congress of the International Association of Youth and Family Judges and Magistrates, in Belfast, to address the issue of abuse of street children within the juvenile justice system
- CSC spoke about street children in Asia during on CNBC on behalf of Asia's children for Rachael's Children's Trust
- CSC participated in a march in Guatemala City, protesting against violence against children and adolescents. The march was organised by Casa Alianza Guatemala and supported by Plan Guatemala
- CSC was invited by the Inter-American Development Bank in Guatemala to discuss the police-training project
- CSC joined several organisations and committees in 2006, including: The European Foundation for Street Children Worldwide; The UK Consortium on AIDS and International Development; The Coalition on Children Affected by Aids (CCABA); The Grow Up Free From Poverty Coalition
- CSC designed a project with the International Childcare Trust and Street Child Africa, the Faraja Trust Fund (Tanzania) and Streets Ahead (Zimbabwe) to facilitate local partnerships, build capacity and empower street children
- CSC facilitated a workshop for 15 Consortium members on how to write successful grant proposals
- CSC started two new Working Groups, bringing the total to five, to allow members to share information and develop joint initiatives: Child Participation and Empowerment, and Street Child-Centred Education
- In **2007** CSC published the first global report on street children entitled *The State of the World's Street Children: Violence*
- CSC had meetings with Mrs Veneman, Chief Exec of UNICEF and her senior officers in New York; CSC joined the UNICEF co-ordinated 'Better Care Network' as a result and were recommended for project work by UNICEF
- CSC engaged over 1,000 UK schools in the subject of child rights through the provision of curriculum-linked resources developed by CSC to bring these issues to the classroom
- CSC transformed the efficacy of Praxis (a Greek NGO) in their work with illegal Roma street children through a capacity building project funded by the EU Daphne II programme

- CSC mobilised government agencies, community leaders and street children in Tanzania and Zimbabwe to address the push factors which force vulnerable children to migrate to the streets
- CSC became a member of the Advisory Group on Children's Rights to DFID, along with about eight other key children's NGOs including Save the Children, World Vision, Everychild, Amnesty's Children's Rights Network and Railway Children
- CSC developed an integrated approach to child protection in Guatemala in partnership with the National Commission Against Child Abuse
- CSC entered into a partnership with UNICEF Ethiopia and the Ethiopian Police University (EPU) to train police trainers in child rights & child protection and how to investigate child abuse cases
- In **2008** CSC supported Stepping Stones Nigeria with media strategy on to BBC 4's Dispatches programme. This included giving advice on campaigning and organising an All Parliamentary Party Group on Nigeria meeting, where the programme was pre-screened
- The UK Parliamentary Committee on International Development, supported with CSC submitted written evidence, criticised DFID's revised HIV & Aids Strategy, citing a failure to reach street children. CSC also coordinated with the UK AIDS Consortium CABA working group a response to the strategy
- CSC initiated a quarterly training programme for all members and associated NGOs
- At the invitation of Mexico's National System for the Integral Development of the Family, a federal agency, CSC attended the 5th International Child Rights Congress, held in Hermosillo
- CSC gave a presentation about street children to the APPG on Population, Development and Reproductive Health
- In response to a request from a member, CSC facilitated a workshop in Addis Ababa to help Ethiopian charities improve their work with street children
- CSC joined the Global Campaign for Education, a civil society movement that aims to end the global education crisis
- CSC presented at an international seminar in Vienna on Children, HIV and Aids and Social Protection in Africa; it was hosted by the Austrian Parliament
- An abstract of *The State of the World's Street Children – Violence* report was presented by the author, Sarah Thomas de Benitez, at the XVII International Congress on Child Abuse and Neglect (ISPCAN), held in Hong Kong
- CSC met with the Tanzanian Minister for Community Development, Gender and Children in Dar es Salaam and also met with the Swedish Ambassador, the Country Head of Save the Children, the Head of Child Protection, UNICEF, the interim director of Mkombozi, and the director of the Faraja Trust Fund
- CSC created tools and methodologies for building local partnerships were successfully tested through a pilot prevention project in a Tanzanian city, resulting in benefits for more than 4,000 residents of the Chamwino slum, approximately half of them children
- CSC, with funding from UNICEF, trained 50 Ethiopian police trainers at the Ethiopian Police University, who will train 36,000 Ethiopian police in child rights and child protection using CSC's Police Training Manual
- Membership of the CSC reached 50 organisations working in over 120 countries
- In **2009** CSC became Secretariat for the All Party Parliamentary Group on Street Children
- Supported the Tanzanian government to develop a National Street Child Strategy
- Delivered Police Training in Ethiopia to prevent violence against street children
- Supported member-led projects including Stepping Stones Nigeria in preventing children being branded as witches and the Amos Trust in developing the Street Child World Cup
- Partnered AVIVA to develop their global CSR programme "From Street to School"
- Launched the *Realising Rights: Stop Violence Against Street Children* campaign

- Commissioned and rolled out our new brand and launching our new website
- Held successful awareness raising events including *Street Children: The Social Impact of Film* and *Amplify: Working Together to Scale Up* lunch.