

## **Child Labour in Cocoa – Our Position**

Our approach to eliminating child labor is three-pronged: it focuses on prevention, monitoring and remediation, with a heavy emphasis on addressing the root causes of child labor.

Cocoa Life – our company program for sustainable cocoa – addresses the root causes of child labor around poverty and lack of rural development with holistic approach. Through our Community Action Plans, we develop interventions to:

- Increase income from cocoa farming as well as additional sources
- Empower communities to advocate for their own development
- Empower women at household and community level
- Prosperous cocoa farms mean farmers are less likely to rely on their children to support in their work. Empowered women and communities, who understand their development needs, will push for their children to remain in school.

In Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana e.g. we are working with local authorities and partners to roll out community-based Child Labor Monitoring and Remediation Systems (CLMRS).

You can read more about Cocoa Life's approach to addressing child labor <u>here</u>.

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