

## Child Wastepickers:



## The Unforgotten

### Our Mission:

The Unforgotten, founded in 2007, provides services in:

- ❖ Education
- ❖ Health Care
- ❖ Hunger Relief
- ❖ Water Supply, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)
- ❖ Shelter
- ❖ Income Generation and Empowerment
- ❖ Emergency Relief

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### Direct aid for child wastepickers around the world

We use your donations to provide aid to children who, instead of going to school, pick through trash at local landfills, looking for food to eat and items to sell, in order to contribute to their family's income.

We target children whose mothers and families also eke out a living by "wastepicking".

Your donations go directly to helping to pay for school fees, tutoring, uniforms, school supplies, and transportation for the children in our programs.

Your donations also provide their families with weekly supplemental food supplies, so these children do not go hungry or are forced to return to work at the landfills.



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### Volunteer-Driven Humanitarian Relief

The Unforgotten Fund provides direct humanitarian aid and emergency relief to wastepickers and vulnerable, overlooked populations worldwide, with zero overhead.

#### Volunteer-Driven

Since its inception, the Unforgotten has been managed by a global board of volunteers, committed to operating without costs. All donations are directed to where they are needed most to provide humanitarian relief in the field.

#### The Forgotten

We target aid to those that have not received it from other charities – the forgotten. The Unforgotten remains one of the only charities in the world providing aid to vulnerable women and children surviving as wastepickers in developing countries

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## Supporting Child WastePickers in Yemen



In December 2021, we launched a project to assist child wastepickers in the capital city of Sana'a. Seven years of a military stalemate between factions in the country continues to take a heavy toll on civilians. We currently have 5 children (3 boys and 2 girls, between 8 to 15 years old) in the program, and have enrolled them in school and established a bike program for transportation, as well as nutritional assistance for their families.

We are looking to expand our program to Al-Azraqain landfill. The community there is large, with at least 600+ individuals calling the landfill home. Our field coordinator, Hyam, has identified a group of 10 children who have never attended school living in the landfill; as well as a group of older children (8th grade level), who had to drop out of school to support their families. We are in the process of raising funds to send at least one of these cohorts to school. In addition to the educational component, we plan to assist these families with nutritional aid, access to safe potable water, and instruct them in WASH programs to improve their health.



We need your support, every donation will get to the field to help those struggling to survive in extreme poverty.



We recently partnered with a local Yemeni NGO, the National Foundation for Development and Humanitarian Response (NFDHR). NFDHR aims to enhance community participation in service provision, advocate and monitor policies, and build resilience of societies affected by natural crises or armed conflicts. We plan to begin grant applications and fundraising efforts in conjunction with NFDHR to assist this new community at Al-Azraqain and expand our services.



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## UNFF Wastepicker Projects

**Nepal:** In Kathmandu, dire poverty forces thousands of people to make a living by picking through rubbish along roads. With support from a local NGO, PSD Nepal, we are enrolling child wastepickers living in recycling centers in school and providing their families with food stipends and WASH workshops. We also launched a learning center for tutoring.



**Djibouti:** In 2021, we launched a program supporting child wastepickers at the Chabelley Dump in Djibouti City. More than 100 children live there in makeshift shelters, shifting through trash for pieces to sell or food to eat. We currently support 15 children and have enrolled them in school as well as provided them with clothing, school supplies, and daily lunches.

**Zambia:** Our longest running program, we began enrolling our first group of child wastepickers from the Chingwere district of Lusaka in school, in partnership with Mapalo Trust School, in 2011. We are seeing participants from that first group of student start University, a true testament to their perseverance! We are also expanding this program by building a computer lab and learning center.

