



Together, protecting children.

The ChildSafe Network involves the community and especially travelers to actively protect urban children and youth from all forms of abuse. The global ChildSafe campaign encourages everyone to look at how their behaviour can impact children. Together, we can create supportive environments for children.



Together, building futures.

Friends-International is an award winning social enterprise reaching out to over 50,000 urban children and youth each year in 12 countries. Together, building futures.

www.friends-international.org

Help us to raise awareness and protect children worldwide

www.childsafe-international.org

More information on ChildSafe 7 tips

www.thinkchildsafe.org

7 better ways to protect
children around the world

ChildSafe Traveler Tips



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A Friends-International initiative for the protection of children

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Around 500 million children worldwide are forced onto the streets or become victims of various abusive situations.

Often travelers unwillingly and unknowingly increase these children's vulnerability. Join us and be a ChildSafe traveler by adopting the ChildSafe 7 tips. Protect children wherever you travel.

Tip 04

THINK: children are not tourist attractions

Certain 'tourist-attractions' such as orphanage tours or slum tours exploit children for financial gain. A child's home is a place that should be safe and his/her right to privacy and dignity should be respected. Taking photographs of children in vulnerable situations can increase their vulnerability and can reinforce their feelings of inequality and suffering.

Avoid any situation that could lead to child exploitation.

Tip 01



Support ChildSafe Network Members

ChildSafe trains key community members on how to protect children from abusive situations. They are equipped to respond immediately to a child in danger.

When traveling please use ChildSafe member services: www.childsafe-international.org Become a ChildSafe supporter, visit: www.thinkchildsafe.org

Tip 05

THINK before taking a child back to your hotel room

You might be suspected as a pedophile if taking at risk children back to your room, even with good intentions. You could be subjected to investigation and even be arrested.

Notify local authorities or child support organizations for a more effective action to support children.

Tip 02

THINK before buying from or giving to begging children

Children begging and selling on the streets are deprived of a childhood and an education. Buying from and giving money to these children just keeps them on the streets and puts them at ever increasing risk.

Support organizations that work to protect and ensure these children and their families have a better future, visit: www.thinkbeforegiving.org

Tip 06

THINK before visiting places that tolerate prostitution

Throughout the world, a high percentage of sex workers are minors. By supporting businesses that tolerate prostitution, you are supporting an environment that places children at risk.

If you witness cases of child exploitation and abuse, report to local authorities or child support organizations.

Tip 03



Purchase products made by parents or youth in training

In many countries, you can buy products made by parents or youth in training; your purchase gives them a skill, a regular income and a better future.

Learn about ChildSafe certified products, visit: www.childsafe-international.org/products.asp

Tip 07

Keep your eyes wide open

If you see a child in danger, inform the local police, local hospital or child support organizations in the area.

Cases of child abuse can also be reported to www.interpol.org Or if you have questions contact: childsafe@friends-international.org