


NYT exposes labor exploitation of unaccompanied migrant children in U.S.

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Alone and Exploited, Migrant Children Work Brutal Jobs Across the U.S.

Arriving in record numbers, they're ending up in dangerous jobs that violate child labor laws — including in factories that make products for well-known brands like Cheetos and Fruit of the Loom.

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Hannah traveled to Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Michigan, Minnesota, South Dakota and Virginia for this story and spoke to more than 100 migrant child workers in 20 states.

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New York, February 27 (RHC)-- A New York Times investigation exposes the shocking forced labor of migrant children at factories across the United States.

The newspaper spoke to over 100 unaccompanied migrant children, largely from Central America, who described grueling and often dangerous working conditions, being subjected to long hours and late-night shifts at facilities that manufacture products for well-known corporations, such as Hearthside Food Solutions — the makers of Cheerios; Fruit of the Loom; Whole Foods; Walmart; J.Crew and Frito-Lay.

Others were forced to work as cleaning staff at hotels and coffee harvesters in states like Hawaii. According to reports, some of the children were as young as 13 years old.

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