

# HELPING TO FIND AND RESCUE MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN

The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) is a private, non-profit organization that works with law enforcement, providing resources, intelligence, and technical assistance services for missing and sexually exploited children. NCMEC turned to Palantir to provide a platform to search for, find, and analyze information about children who are missing or exploited and the offenders who would do them harm.

## THE PROBLEM

Locating missing children and tracking non-compliant sex offenders are difficult and complex tasks. They require finding useful information amid a sea of data and packaging this information in a meaningful way for law enforcement agencies and other parties. NCMEC required the ability to integrate many different databases into one place, where the data could be easily searched and analyzed for relevant information. Analysts also needed the ability to build out networks of individuals, create “human maps” showing identities and relationships, discover links between people, places, and groups, and map findings to explore individuals and events geospatially.

## PALANTIR'S SOLUTION

Using Palantir's software, NCMEC has been able to fuse together dozens of datasets. These include internal databases with information on previous missing and exploited children cases, and open source information like public records and Google searches. With all their data in one secure environment, NCMEC can find all relevant information about a missing child, an abductor, or sex offender. Using this information, NCMEC analysts provide a deeper level of insight and assistance to law enforcement in their investigations. Palantir provides a unique set of analytical tools that allow NCMEC analysts to ask and answer questions in new ways. For example, analysts can start with a single missing child and explore whether she has been involved in a missing child case before and where she was last seen. NCMEC analysts can now perform broader analysis of their data, including trend, pattern, statistical, and geospatial analysis.

## PALANTIR'S IMPACT & RESULTS

- » NCMEC analysts can search across all data in **a matter of seconds**, making investigations **faster and more efficient**.
- » Palantir will soon become NCMEC's **analytical program of record**, with virtually all NCMEC analysts trained on and using Palantir.
- » The sex offender tracking team will soon be generating **1-10 reports per day** that will go **directly to law enforcement**.
- » “Just as amazing as the Palantir technology is the team assigned to help us implement the platform. [They] have been absolutely wonderful to work with... **With help from Palantir we're going to do great things.**”
  - Michael Geraghty,  
Executive Director,  
Technology Services  
Division

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