



What is COMPASSIONATE GOLD?

Compassionate Gold is the brand of gold obtained from the International Labour Organization-BAN Toxics (ILO-BT) led initiatives in the Philippine artisanal and small-scale mining sector, produced without child labour and hazardous work and crafted with care for the welfare of the people and mining communities; as well as the environment. Compassionate Gold follows national and international norms such as the Minamata Convention on Mercury, that of the Organization for Economic Cooperation, and International Labour Standards and ILO Convention (ILO C 138: *Minimum Age*; ILO C 182: *WFCL*; ILO C 176: *OSH in Mines and ILO Recommendation 204: Transition from Informal to Formal Economy*). It puts the welfare of the people, the future of children without child labour, and the planet at the center of artisanal and small-scale gold mining.



What makes Compassionate Gold transformative?

- ✓ part of formal economy
- ✓ legally operated
- ✓ employs environmentally-sound practices
- ✓ does not use mercury
- ✓ promotes decent working conditions
- ✓ has no gender inequality
- ✓ has no child labor
- ✓ does not contribute to armed conflict
- ✓ has transparent supply chains



Compassionate Gold is an offshoot of the CARING Gold Project, a partnership between BAN Toxics and the International Labour Organization Country Office for the Philippines to reduce child labour and improve working conditions in artisanal and small-scale gold mining (ASGM) communities. Implementation of the Project is being done in three municipalities: Labo and Paracale in Camarines Norte; and T'boli in South Cotabato.



When will Compassionate Gold become available?

The pilot model for the production of Compassionate Gold is the municipality of T'boli, South Cotabato, which started in 2017. The local government; national government agencies; mining groups and associations; communities, NGOs, miners, their families and communities, and the International Labour Organization, BAN Toxics and the U.S. Department of Labor are all working together to ensure its production and fulfill the Compassionate Gold criteria.



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Human welfare in every gram of gold

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