



LIGHT OF FUTURE SCHOOL
Village 2 Train Track Station



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CAMBODIAN CARE'S LIGHT FUTURE SCHOOL

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Our statement of commitment

We strongly believe in holistic basic quality education that can surely transform the lives of underprivileged children to get out of their poverty situation.

Vision:

Every child reaches their own fullness of life and becomes a member of the family of God

Executive Summary:

Village 2 is known as one of the poorest slum areas in the city of Phnom Penh. It is 30 minutes' drive from the center of Phnom Penh city to this place. It consists of 500 families who have been settled there for several years after the fall of Khmer Rouge Regime (1979). Most of the adults have jobs as manual laborers. 80% of the children who live in that slum are not attending government schools in an appropriate way. It is situated close to the government school but those children are not able to get the benefits out of the government school for themselves. Light of Future School of Cambodian Care has been opened since April 2015.

Currently, there are 140 students who have been actively attending and learning with LIGHT OF FUTURE SCHOOL – Train Track Village 2, of Cambodian Care during these reporting periods. Wherever Cambodian Care is coming into the village, its 5 core components are introduced to the needs of the community. Those 5 core components are:

1. EDUCATION PROGRAM (LIGHT OF FUTURE SCHOOL)
2. CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM
3. CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT TRAINING PROGRAM
4. HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS/NUTRITION
5. INCOME GENERATION SOLUTIONS

Each community has its own uniqueness and it differs from other communities where Cambodian Care has active in. The community Organizing Meeting should be conducted in order to gather the real basic needs of the people and be able to use those needs as strategic plans with participation of the community people to tackle those problems.

NUTRITION PROGRAM

We have provided 140 food packs, vitamins and health education for 140 children. One time every four months we provide food and once every two weeks health education is given. Vitamins and deworming is distributed once every six months. The main purpose of this is to care for these underprivileged children to grow healthy physically, emotionally and spiritually. They need nutritious supplementary food to help their bodies grow healthy. It is helping them to be able to learn and grow mentally as well as physically.

CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT TRAINING PROGRAM

This program is part of the national curriculum of the Cambodian Government School. To educate and train teenagers to be able to operate in life with skills and keep their morals high to become good citizens. Once every week, we train those teens using different perspectives of religious views, especially looking at biblical values to help them to learn how to live everyday. A group of 15 teens are consistently attending this Character Development Training course in the LIGHT OF FUTURE SCHOOL Train Track village.

CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM

Children who are extremely poor, the poorest of the poor, are selected to be in this program. They will receive school materials, uniforms, shoes, and 15kg of rice (on a monthly basis) to support them for their schooling. We now have 22 kids in this program. The idea is to also prevent them from having to be the supporter of their family. We aim to keep them safe from scavenging rubbish and involved in any child labor activities and sex trade trafficking.

INCOME GENERATION SOLUTIONS

Cambodian Care will eventually plan to have all its school programs self-sustaining. Here some future and current implementation ideas for solutions using income generation:

Our current implementation of income generation plans

1. Cambodian Care's School Village 2 Program has been reducing the number of school uniforms we provide by increasing the ownership of parents to take care of these expenses
2. Cambodian Care's School Village 2 Program will continue reducing school materials each year by increasing the ownership of parents of those students. (School materials such as: text books, writing books, pens, pencils and others related to school.)

Our future implementation of income generation plans

1. Cambodian Care will setup sewing/tailoring projects with at least two specific purposes:
 1. Providing skills and job employment for underprivileged parents or single mom
 2. Generate income to support all Cambodian Care's School Programs.
2. We will look at Eco farming implementation with all our Cambodian Care school premises

PHOTOS OF ACTIVITIES



Students listen to their daily announcement



Daily learning in class



Students take their monthly exams



Students perform cultural blessing dance on the occasion of Christmas celebration



Character and leadership training



Parent meeting

Testimony



67 years, Sok Someun Moses Grandma has five grandchildren in her care.

I grew up in Phnom Penh. I married at age 18 and lived in my husband's village. I had eight children; five have passed away including twin boys. My eldest died at age 12 during the Khmer Rouge War.

When the Khmer Rouge attacked Phnom Penh, I had to move out to another province. It was very hard to find food. I had to keep asking for food, I was expecting twins, two babies!!

The Khmer Rouge were after us, it was 'go, go go', on the move and very hard. I had nowhere to go. We could not settle. We were moved from village to village. Pol Pot asked me to cook rice for the factory workers. I worked very hard to cook rice, it was the only food that I could get.

My only husband passed away. His job was working on a big boat to bring goods from villages to Phnom Penh. I moved back to Phnom Penh in the drug and prostitution area along the train track.

To provide for the five grandchildren, I work as a cleaner, from 4 am – 9 am, and 12 pm – 3 pm. I sweep and clean roads. When I see a can, I know that this will provide food for the grandchildren. It is a long, hard day's work. I must do it to earn money for food, rent, and electricity. It is not easy being alone.

When Pastor Koy was visiting the train track area, he asked me how I was. He found a weak, sickly looking baby lying on the train tracks. I told Pastor Koy that I have no money for food. He was interested in me with five grandchildren.

Pastor Koy and Reny have adopted the youngest child, who was lying on the train tracks. I am so happy to see this boy smile and grow up as well as my other grandchildren are progressing well both character and schooling. I did not have enough money for food with so many mouths to feed. I raise the children by myself. Cambodian Care provides 50 kg of rice per month for the grandchildren to eat.

Pastor Koy invited the grand children to study at Cambodian Care school. The four children come to school. They are happy and want to go to school to be with friends and learn. They want to be teachers.

I come to church every Sunday. I enjoy listening to the Word of God by Pastor Koy. It touches my heart. I rent a very small house for 5 people. When it rains, the house floods, Last year, the house flooded for a long time. The bamboo is not strong and the tin iron roof leaks. The toilet has broken, and there are a lot of mosquitoes at night time.

I want to sincerely thank you to the donors of this school and their prayer and loves for the poor children.

Testimony



Punnea 42 years 6 children, only one at school
I have five children and have raised them by myself. Only the youngest has received education. My husband passed away many years ago.

The eldest son has moved to Thailand with a fishing job. He would phone me every day, but now I have lost my mobile and I have lost connection with him.

My other children do drugs with their friends in another village. I am not happy about that.

I come to church every Sunday and enjoy listening to Pastor Koy and Reny teach from the Word of God, It touches my heart.

My youngest child comes to Cambodian Care School. She likes to have friends at the school, so is very happy to go every day. Cambodian Care provides a 15 kg bag of rice monthly.

I rent a very small house, when it rains, the house floods. Being alone I have to pay for rent, food and electricity.

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