

Narrative Report

Annual Report: April - June 2014

CPCDO in Battambang

1. Background

Children and Poor Community Development Organization (CPCDO) branch is located in Battambang (BTT), Cambodia which received funding support from the Float Foundation since January 2007. The funds from the Float Foundation were used to construct three buildings to house 50 orphanages (26/boys and 24/girls), four toilets, and a small room for generator. One of the three buildings is used for a study room/dining area. In addition, the office is also located in this building. The fund was also used to construct an outdoor kitchen which is connected to the girls' building. The Center started its full operation as of April 20, 2007.

This report is covered period from April to June 2014 which is the 8th year project which has been funded by the Float Foundation.

2. CPCDO Personnel

There were 5 staffs working for the BTT-CPCDO branch in the following structure:

- Shelter Director
- Accountant
- Teacher (female)
- Cook,
- Security Guard

Staff meeting was regularly held every month. In each meeting, regular agenda were discussed: managing children, teaching and educating children on moral and rules living in the center, security and order in the center and hygiene foods and health.

A cook did not only cooking but also looking after the young children, 6 to 10 years old, like a nanny task.

Mr. Yuth, Executive Director of CPCDO had visited and hold meeting with staff every month to review the performance of all staff and children.

3. Children Status:

At the beginning of the quarter, there were 33 children and as of end of June there were 31 children living in the center. 1 boy and 1 girl left the center for their relative.

Among the 31 children, 4 children are orphan (neither mother nor father), 10 have no father, 8 have no mother, 6 were from very poor families and 3 were abundance.

For 2013-2014 academic-year, 11 children study at primary school, 12 children at junior high school, 6 children at high school and 2 children dropped out the school.

In April, during Khmer New Year 20 children had visited their home for 10 days. Upon their returning from home, they all celebrated Khmer New Year at the center on the 20th.



a. Program at the Center:

During this reporting period, children studying in high school took the private supplement courses and prepare themselves for the national exam in August. However, the elder children had spared their time continue teaching the youngers whom were weak on some subjects at school.

The English program was conducted by elder children to the youngers in the evening. For elder children, they had studied English at their school and also at the church near-by the center.

During period, there was a team of university students visiting the center and interest to teach English children and they will start later in August or so due to their studies schedule.

b. Life Skills Program:

With support from Rotary Clubs, during this reporting period drawing and computer training were continued. As for sewing, it was stopped but a boy was sent to skills training at the trainer place.

Drawing

During this reporting period, the 5 elder children had continued in drawing/painting by using oil painting and 7 children had started their lesson.

Computer

During this reporting period, the training was continued lunch time. The lesson was scheduled 3 days per week from Monday to Wednesday for an hour per session. Children at 6 grades were taking the lesson as scheduled.

Agriculture

During this reporting period, the CPCDO-Battambang had approached a team of university students whom visited the center for agriculture program in which they agreed to the request. The team will start the activities in August due to their studies schedule.

There was a small chicken cage with 10 chickens and many chicks and another cage with 12 duck.

Meals:

Each child received three meals per day, breakfast, lunch and dinner which all eat together.

c. Children health and hygiene:

As per schedule, children were rotated in cleaning up the buildings and surrounded premise. All children had been taking good care of themselves and their younger brothers and sisters. During this reporting period due to the change of weather, children had light illness such as cool, and headache.

AEC had continued providing health care sponsorship in which a nurse regularly came to the center every week to check children health and he would treat children with light illness. With this regular visit of the nurse it helped CPCDO in children health and hygiene.

d. Children Materials:

30 new tables and 20 new benches were equiped in the study room in June.

There were 30 bicycles in use for the children going to school. Some of these bicycle were in good condition and some need to replaced its spare parts. The management had managed to have thses bicycles fixed it monthly.

4. Vegetable garden and tree

3-4 different kinds of vegetable were growth regularly for their daily food and also some fruit tree such as banana, mingo and jack fruits were also plan.

In the next reporting period, they plan to growth rice on a space of land behind the study room.

5. Library

The small library had continued its function serving both children in the center and the community. There were 571 books in the library.

6. Other event/ Activity:

- Rustic Pathway and Rotary Australia visited the center and promised to install a fence around the center
- Develop a proposal to submit to Rotary clubs on university scholarship for 6 children

Difficulty:

- Not yet find co financial support for the operation in 2014

Further Plan

- Finalize the agriculture project plan and implement it.
- Continue coaching children on how take care themselves and their belongings
- Seek fund from other resources
- Recruiting more children to be admitted to the center

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