



THA-ZOE-TTH-P01, Thailand  
Reporting Period: July – December 2018

## Targeting Trafficking Hotspots - Thailand

**Budget:** Year One (of three): \$37,350 fully funded! Year 2 began 1/12/18: \$32,339 needed.

### The Project:

This project builds upon a previous project supported by Entrust to help fight trafficking in Thailand. It leverages our partner's partnership with Thai law enforcement, anti-trafficking organisations and faith communities to make a significant and targeted impact in preventing child trafficking in two of Thailand's hot spots – Mae Hong Song Province (victim source) and Bangkok (victim destination). It will also run a minimum of six prevention campaigns in Bangkok targeting high school and university students. In the Mae Hong Song area on the Thai/Burma border, a Crimes Against Children (CAC) centre will be set up to target this transient and vulnerable area. Outreaches will include Thai migrant children, a refugee camp outreach and four village school visits. This is the second report for the 3-year project.

*A prevention outreach in a village community.*



### Progress against objectives:

- Outreach trafficking prevention programs – of the 27 held (a huge effort), 3023 heard and took part in the anti-trafficking program which included 583 adults. This has a huge impact on families and communities that are vulnerable to traffickers. These took place in schools and villages backed by a team of volunteers and staff to make each outreach effective and strategic. Games and activities are used to highlight the various trafficking messages, risks, prevention techniques, access to services and the like. These have been focussed in the Mae Hong Song province near the Burma border, a known area for vulnerable hill-tribe communities.
- Train-the-trainer: a collaboration with local Mae Sot and Mae Hong Song people has allowed further reach into these border areas to provide education about trafficking and to expand the reach through training
- A new CAC (Crimes Against Children) centre called “House of Blessing” has been set up along the border region in Mae Hong Song which allows staff training and outreach teams to have a base, including some accommodation. This is providing a solid base for work in this area.
- Plans for work in Bangkok are still in progress with expectations of rolling these out in the second half of the project.
- A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) event was held in Chiang Mai in December between Thai authorities and our partners with 600 attending. This marks an important step in working collaboratively with a range of authorities and demonstrates excellent progress.
- An internet Safety Filter is helping children and families to navigate dubious websites that can lure children into trafficking. Cyber trafficking continues to grow, evolve and threaten individuals.

*Trafficking education through games pictured right.*

**Thank you for supporting families against this horrendous crime where children's lives are at risk and where they are prime prey for traffickers.**

