Progress Report

Keep Kids Safe



Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Combatting Trafficking

Project Timeline

Year 1 Budget \$32,000

FULLY FUNDED

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Overview

This project focusses on our partners' outreach to vulnerable and exploited children in the red-light district and slum areas of Phnom Penh where gangs, drugs, extreme poverty and abuse are prevalent. Our partners have established 65 kids clubs to reach children who are at risk of sexual exploitation in these areas or have been abused. In seeking to bring restoration to their lives, traditional therapy methods have not always brought long-term success due to social and builtenvironment factors that hinder the process. Entrust will help fund a new, innovative Creative Adventure Play (CAP) therapy program into the existing curriculum, working with abused/trafficked street children and the local community to prevent further abuse and exploitation.

Impact for March 2021 - February 2022



Creative Adventure Play (CAP) therapy

was introduced to 100 boys and 50 girls between the ages of 3 -14, building trusted relationships with these vulnerable children who are then able to share their stories of abuse and trauma.

32 Kids Clubs in vulnerable areas of Phnom Penh and 22 in Siem Reap

resumed once COVID-19 restrictions were lifted. Art and craft are favourite activities amongst the street kids and it is a safe space to play and explore their creative side.





Home visits were made to 75 families

in vulnerable communities. One-on-one home visits were a great way to connect with families, share antitrafficking information and have long conversations with both parents and children who are at high-risk of being part of the sex trade in this area.

75 families received food packages of rice, oil, soy sauce, fish, noodles and soup

These much-needed food supplies were gratefully received by families, many of whom lost their jobs during COVID-19 and have no other means to support themselves.





Nancy's Story

Nancy, nine, was raped by her uncle last year and our partners used CAP therapy during her recovery. They found that through games and activities, Nancy progressed in her healing much more than through talk therapy alone. Her uncle bribed his way out of prison but was re-arrested when Nancy had the courage to appear before a judge and testify against her rapist. Recently, Nancy was forced to testify again in court. This was extremely traumatic for Nancy but our partners were able to sit with her and walk her through the process. Brave girl!

*name and photo changed





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