



TOGETHER FOR CAMBODIA is the combined effort of an enthusiastic group of people, local and foreign, old and young, with a desire to bring smiles to the faces of poverty. To rescue the children at risk, whose destinies were the best case scenario working in the rice fields or begging. Helping the poorest mothers with families to fight, to keep going and move forward, teaching them skills to be self sufficient.

Let me introduce you to the hopes and dreams of a Project, where a group of children are the focus of multi countries, a mix of cultures, with a common goal, to offer them a better future. So that one day the children will return to their communities as men and women and help to make Cambodia a better place. We feel proud to work together, side by side.



These pages are a note of gratitude for all those people that support us day to day, for those people that put their trust in our work and without their help it would not be possible.

THANK YOU very much to all the benefactors and to all their donations for the good of our common cause.

THE CHILDREN'S HOUSE.

New Home, Our Home.

A few months hard work by our many friends, all people with a common purpose to make the dream a reality.... "The Children's House", named by the children and full of hope was well and truly completed.

- 12 bedrooms, each with its own WC and bathroom
- Large kitchen and dining area.
- Big Terraces.
- Living Room.
- Library.
- Foreign Languages and Computer Classrooms.
- Office.
- Play areas.



An strict Schedule of programmes and routines for 43 children and 15 staff to organize all kinds of tasks. From when we wake up at 5.00am until we go to sleep at 8.30pm there are many hours to fill with life and love.

All the children of school age go to the New York International School (NYIS) during the morning time. During the afternoon time, in our home we teach Foreign Languages and Computer, and for those children that excel in English language we send them to the Australian Centre for Education (ACE), the best centre in Siem Reap to learn English.



Terms of work for House Mothers, Cooks, Cleaners, Drivers, Security, Teachers and Office Workers.



From left to right: Aragick, House Mother Ratanak, Computer Teacher Din, Driver Rangsy, Cleaner Chandeem, Driver Muychhinchon, House Mother Lay. They are 6 of the 14 staff team members.

Respect, Effort and Teamwork to the Project, Care, Feed and Educate with the power of LOVE.

Health is one of our daily concerns and the Angkor Hospital for Children is our health centre, thanks to their staff our children receive qualified, safe medical care.



During weekends we have activities much like any other Cambodian families, we visit Angkor, playing in the areas around the temples, the lake to swim or we visit the children's relatives. Sometimes we need to travel a long way to reach them!!!



HOLY, LA & LEAB



HOLY is an amazing, vibrant, mischievous 13 year old girl who has been living with us for 16 months. She arrived with her brothers, LA 9 years old and LEAP 6 years old. I remember when they arrived, it seems it was yesterday. Holy was only skin and bones, the same as the siblings, they were always very serious and their eyes looked scared giving me a huge feeling of tenderness towards them.

HOLY actually is a teenager with a beautiful smile, she speaks in English fluently and she wants to be always doing something. She is a very good friend and room mate, she respects everybody, is very gentle and she has a lot of vitality. She is a very good student; she is always in the top group. At the beginning she was playing the mom role with her siblings, now she is independent and enjoying her age.

Favourite colour: Red.

Favourite Subject at the school: Reading.

She wants to be a teacher.

Favourite activity: Homework.

LA smiles shyly, he is always planning something together with his friends. It was more difficult for him to fit in but now he is totally at home. The most difficult thing was going to school and he was aggressive with a bad attitude. I am pleased to say after much hard work and many conversations everything is going very well.

Favourite colour: Pink.

Favourite subject at the school: Mathematics.

He wants to be a Policeman.

Favourite activity: Swimming.

LEAB, when he smiles the World stops and steal your senses. At the beginning he was always crying, he didn't want to eat solids and his clothes were being changed all the time, to become close to him it was a lot of work but now he eats everything and feels very secure. He still needs special care because he was malnourished from birth. The Angkor Children Hospital Home Team comes regularly to weigh and check him. They are very pleased with his progress.

Favourite colour: Red.

Favourite subject: Play games. He wants to be playing and running all time.

We can not imagine our lifes or the shelter without these 3 siblings and TFC will give them the present that all children need and the future that they deserve.

Interview DIN - Computer Teacher



- What is your name: THIN DIN
 - When were you born: 16 / 05 / 1988.
 - Where: KAP Province - Cambodia.
 - Which studies do you have? 12th Grade Secondary and Technical School in SHV D. Bosco
2 years Social Communication Section.
 - Are you married? No, I'm single.
 - Do you like children? Yes a like them a lot. I like to play with them so much.
 - Where do you live now? SiemReap.
 - Why? Because I'm working in TFC
 - Why did you decide to move from SHV to SR? I came to work in S.R. and I like to help poor children, before I didn't think about this, before I saw many foreigners helping children and I asked to myself "Why do we Cambodians not help, we must help".
 - Did you do something like this before? No.
 - What did you plan to be? Normally in Cambodia we don't think like this, but after studying in SHV I thought I wanted to become an employee in an organization.
 - What is your job? Computer teacher.
 - Do you like it? Yes.
 - Why? Because I can give knowledge of computer to kids, teaching basic computer lessons. This is a part of helping my country poor children.
 - How do you see yourself in 5 years? I hope I will graduate from my studies at the university in IT, information technology, and have more knowledge to teach.
Why do you want more knowledge? To grow up myself so I can help the children too.
 - Do you like live in SR? Yes. Before I felt alone but after staying and working here and with the children I decided to stay and work formally.
 - Do you have a plan? I need to plan the time and the money, I will save the money and I will go at night time at the university for 4 years.
 - What message can you give to the organization: the children living with us can change the future of Cambodia, because we are giving them knowledge and they can grow up and I hope in the future they can have a better life and they can change the future of Cambodia being a better country.
- I wish add "Thank you to the sponsors and the people that come to help Cambodian kids".

Interview Mrs. LAY. House Mother



- What is your name: Loun Lay
- Where are you from: Siem Reap - Cambodia.
- How old are you: 36 years old.
- Are you married? Yes.
- Do you have children? Yes, 3 children, 2 boys and one girl 16 years, 13 years and 6 years old.
- What education do you have?: Finished grade 10. I worked with SSC volunteering advising sick HIV people.
- What job before? Cook in Kompong Cham, Hairdresser, make up.
- Why did you decide to work with children? I like children. I like to help my country. I want to help the poor children, especially because during my childhood I lost my father and I was very poor also.
- Is it difficult to work with children coming from miserable conditions? I'm really happy working with poor children because I have my own experience. I want to improve more.
- What is that you think that you like? To see the children happy.
- What is it that you like less? When the kids are sick or when they don't respect me and when the children don't want to go to school or don't want to eat.
- What did you learn with your job recently? Learning a lot from the kids when living with them, before I had only my own children, now I must try to understand many children and I think I am a success because I can understand many kind of kids, and I know how to protect the kids, I understand the rule about the children rights.
- How do you see yourself in 5 years? This organization will grow up with more children and with it I can help Cambodia a lot. I want to improve myself in order to help Cambodian kids.

THE WORKSHOP OF HOPE.

- The Australian Company Spotlight helped us to set up, develop and sustain the sewing workshop by giving us 10 sewing machines + training + ordering 1000 bags a month, they are responsible for teaching a skill to the women and giving them a future. At this moment there are 7 women workers sewing, they are learning and getting a good salary. All of the women are very happy to have this opportunity to work and look after their families.

We hope to find more people interested in our workshop to enable us to expand and sew other different accessories.



Today the 14th of April 2011 is the Khmer New Year. It is the same for Thailand, Laos, Burma, South Vietnam and some small communities in India and Nepal.

Yesterday, the children that were able to return to their extended families, in their original communities, were taken there to celebrate the New Year. They will stay until the 17th of April.



The General Manager of **La Résidence d' Angkor** gave us a present of 2 televisions. The children had just returned from school. Next photos, The children going to celebrate new year with their relatives.

The children that stayed in Siem Reap, we ensured they celebrated as they would in the Khmer community. Today we went to Phnom Kulen Mountain to visit the Buddha and bathe in the waterfalls.



HAPPY KHMER NEW YEAR

Thank you **Hotel LA RESIDENCE D' ANGKOR** for giving us the opportunity to talk about our organisation to potential donors two evenings a week. For giving us rice every week to feed our children.

To **SPOTLIGHT** for their support and work on our Project **STITCH IN TIME** for donating the machines and training the women and buying the bags we make.

To **Hotel DE LA PAIX** for including us on their community list for buying childrens uniforms.

To **IBIS RICE** for donating the best rice.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE for their hard work,
for supporting us,
to our donors for giving hope.

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