



March 2013, Cambodia

Welcome to our March 2013 Newsletter dedicated to the progress needed to continue building the Project Children's Land and a summary of what has been done to date.

We want to **Thank** the various Benefactors who have participated to date in acquiring the land, and who continue to contribute to pay monthly until the debt cancellation. We are committed and optimistic about continuing our development in order to create a very positive social impact in the region. The new facility will offer many opportunities for children and young people to improve their futures.

**** The Plot of Land we named "The Children's Land", is identified by Systematic Registration Plot of Land 16 and Map dated 04-09-2012 which has the total area of 4,900 square meters. It is located at Kruos Village, Sangkat Svaydangkom, Siem Reap Municipality, Siem Reap Province.**

**** On January 26, 2013 we signed our first contract to start work on the Children's Land. We started building a wall 1 meter high, and filling the land with more land, totalling 0.70 m in height, to protect the land from flooding during the rainy season. Come to the first phase of construction for the Great Project!**



**** On January 29, 2013 work began! We began to build the wall and fill the field. The dream begins to take shape.**



**** In late February, 75% of the wall's construction and filling of the land was completed.**





**** We began looking for information about the next step, which is to do with channelling rainwater and wastewater, and we came upon a project "Friends of Nature". We received information from an expert in the field, an engineer based in Cambodia. We passed these ideas on to our builder. He understands the concepts and intention to protect our environment and he has agreed to work under the design professionals in the field. He would be responsible for preparing budgets and managing the construction. We began to study the option of collecting rainwater for use in toilets, and channel dropping it through a U to the main pipe outside, preventing rainwater stagnation. We also found it interesting to study the option of channelling wastewater through a filtration system that allows water to be cleared of contaminants and used again.**

**** The second week of March building of the wall and filling of the land were finished. Very exciting. We have a wall one meter high, enough to protect the land- fill and now we are ready to lay the foundations for channelling the rainwater and wastewater.**



- The total cost of this work has been **US\$25,112.50** as follows:
- Wall construction: **US\$13,230.00**
- Filling the land: **US\$11,882.50**

TO BE CONTINUED ...

1-COMPLETE DEBT CANCELLATION PROPERTY PURCHASE. Each month we cancel part of the debt according to the purchase agreement established with the original owner.

**** The purchase value was US\$142,000**

**** At the September 2012 Contract Agreement Purchase and Sale of Land we paid US\$50,000**

**** Until March 5 we paid a further US\$ 22,000.**

**** In the bank account for this project we have U.S. \$ 27,000 to complete monthly payments from March 2013 to December 2013.**

**** After this, the total amount of outstanding debt to be paid for us to have the original title will be US\$ 43,000.**

2-EXTERNAL CHANNEL for collecting waste water and rainwater from The Children's Land. The channel around the entire perimeter will need to be covered with concrete pipes and with soil.

Budget: \$US 6,250

Cement pipes 250 + Earth + Cement to fill + 6 Highlights drain + labour

3-INTERNAL CHANNEL or "U" CHANNEL for collecting rainwater in The Children's Land and connecting to Sewerage. Design is attached.

Budget: \$US 13,860

4-DOORS (for the wall). In total 17 meters divided in 3 doors, (1 main gate + 1 small door near the main gate + 1 small door behind).

Budget: \$US 935

5-COMPLETE WALL CONSTRUCTION with 1.30 meters high around the perimeter with brick and cement.

Budget US\$ 9,504

6-COMPLETE WALL CONSTRUCTION (already done 1 meter high) covering with cement.

Budget: US\$ 1,728

To convert these budgets in Euro the current exchange rate is 1 Euro = US\$ 1.27

To continue with the next phases of the project it is necessary to carry out the above-mentioned items first, so from here on I can call on our Benefactors. Our Benefactors are warmly invited to consider funding part or all of any of the above requirements.

After we sent out the General Plan in December 2012, we received real interest from some Benefactors for funding the following blocks:

- Sports Zone. Confirmed Benefactor.
- School. Confirmed Benefactor.
- Library. Pending budget.
- Home for the Girls or Boys. Pending budget.

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to our Benefactors for your support. Your kindness and help is making it possible for us to take the steps necessary to make The Children's Land dream into reality.

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