

CHILD FUND CAMBODIA ANNUAL REPORT 2013-14



ChildFund Cambodia is the representative office of ChildFund Australia – an independent and non religious international development organisation that works to reduce poverty for children in the developing world.

ChildFund Australia is a member of the ChildFund Alliance – a global network of 12 organisations which assists more than 15 million children and families in 58 countries. ChildFund Australia is a registered charity and is fully accredited by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade which manages the Australian Government's overseas aid program.

ChildFund began work in Cambodia in 2007, and today implements community development programs in Svay Rieng and Kratie province focusing on children and their families in the areas of child protection, child rights, education, livelihoods, local governance, nutrition, safe migration, water and sanitation, and youth empowerment.

In collaboration with the United Nations and other development agencies, ChildFund established the Child Helpline Cambodia, which responds to the protection, support and needs of children and youth across Cambodia.

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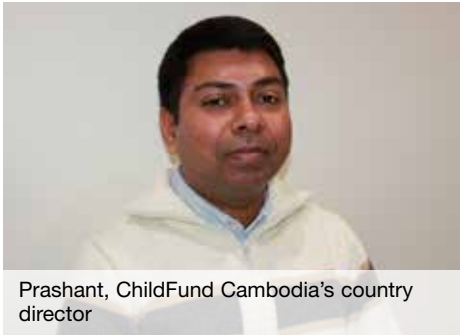
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Front and back cover: Nine-year-old Rithy and thousands of other children in Cambodia have benefited from ChildFund's education program this year.

From the country director

ChildFund's work in Cambodia has resulted in significant improvements to the lives of more than 34,830 children and their families over the past year.



Prashant, ChildFund Cambodia's country director

In the last financial year, ChildFund Cambodia continued to grow its community development programs to support more children and youth in Cambodia. Thanks to the support of the Australian Government, our sponsors and the ChildFund Alliance, our work expanded in Chhloung district, Kratie province and in Svay Chrum and Romeas Haek districts of Svay Rieng province.

Over the past year, ChildFund Cambodia has continued to provide children and youth with access to quality education. In partnership with the government and local communities we have established child-friendly libraries and provided learning materials, trained teachers in child-friendly approaches, improved sanitation facilities and playgrounds, and supported school leadership and management committees.

Our community well-being program is providing communities with better access to clean water and improved sanitation facilities. We are also helping to increase household food security and enhance livelihoods by providing training and equipment, and establishing community-based saving groups.

Children remain at the centre of our programs. We are working to strengthen the voices of children and youth so they can actively participate in community decisions that are relevant to them. At



Eight new playgrounds were constructed for schools over the past financial year

the same time, we are also helping to strengthen the governance mechanisms of duty-bearers so they can provide a conducive environment for children and youth.

While ChildFund Cambodia continues to invest in our established programs, we have been equally keen to measure the immediate and longer term results of our work. Since 2011 ChildFund has pioneered a new monitoring system known as the Development Effectiveness Framework. In 2014, we finalised this new process by conducting intensive surveys with our community partners in Svay Chrum District, Svay Rieng Province to complete our first ever Statement of Impact.

The process confirmed that ChildFund Cambodia's projects, undertaken in partnership with the community, have achieved strong, positive results for children and families. It also serves as a basis to build our capacity for new programs in the future.

ChildFund Cambodia is an organisation that is always evolving its approaches in order to grow and continue to create lasting and meaningful change for children and their families in Cambodia. This would not be possible without the continued and generous support of all of our supporters. Thank you on behalf of the ChildFund Cambodia team, our partners and the communities we work with.

**Prashant Verma, Country Director
ChildFund Cambodia**

2013-14 Highlights



2,397 children received new bikes this year



Socheat received training through ChildFund's life skills program

EDUCATION PROGRAM



8 PLAYGROUNDS were constructed in **8 SCHOOLS** and **2,527 STUDENTS** were educated on playground safety



251 SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND TEACHERS from **32 PRIMARY SCHOOLS** were provided with child-friendly education training



2,500 TEXTBOOKS and **66 SETS OF LEARNING EQUIPMENT** were provided to **22 PRIMARY SCHOOLS**



834 STUDENTS who required additional learning received remedial class sessions



2 LIBRARY BUILDINGS begun construction



School principals and librarians from **34 SCHOOLS** received training on library management



1,178 PARENTS AND STUDENTS were educated on the benefits of library use



2,397 NEW BICYCLES and **10,809 SCHOOL KITS** were provided for children



OVER 3,478 CHILDREN attended ChildFund-supported Children's Day events at schools



80 SCHOOL SUPPORT COMMITTEE MEMBERS from **10 SCHOOLS** were strengthened on their roles and responsibilities



22 SCHOOL ENROLMENT CAMPAIGNS were conducted for children and their parents



76 EDUCATION AWARENESS sessions were held in **76 VILLAGES**



1,000 POSTERS on the importance of education were disseminated to parents

During the 2013-14 financial year, ChildFund Cambodia implemented a range of projects aimed at improving the lives of children and their families in Svay Chrum and Romeas Haek Districts in Svay Rieng Province and Chhloung District in Kratie Province.

COMMUNITY WELL-BEING PROGRAM



5 NEW PUMP WELLS and **11 RAINWATER JAR CATCHMENT SYSTEMS** were constructed



12 TOILET BLOCKS with hand-washing facilities were constructed at **6 PRIMARY SCHOOLS**



1,300 HOUSEHOLDS were provided with toilets and **10,865 PEOPLE** benefited from toilet maintenance training



350 PRIVATE WELLS were tested for arsenic and E.Coli bacteria



161 COMMUNITY EDUCATION CAMPAIGNS were conducted on health and hygiene benefiting **MORE THAN 10,338 PEOPLE**



50 YOUTH GROUPS with **1,977 MEMBERS** were established and supported by ChildFund



1,977 YOUTH were trained on life skills and livelihoods and **358 YOUTH** also received livestock and equipment



3 YOUTH CENTRES were renovated and received new resources



40 YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES actively participated in local development planning



34 YOUTH GROUP MEMBERS provided training for communities on pest management



6 CHILDFUND-TRAINED YOUTH worked with district government officials to provide awareness on child protection

RIGHTS REALISATION PROGRAM



320 BIRTH REGISTRATIONS were completed with ChildFund's support



15 NEW CHILD CLUBS were formed and **22 SCHOOL CHILD CLUBS** continued to receive support



103 COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEMBERS were trained on leadership, conflict resolution and child protection



8 GOVERNMENT OFFICES and **14 COMMUNITY SPORT CLUBS** were provided with equipment



4 COMMUNITY EDUCATION CAMPAIGNS were conducted on human trafficking and child labour



5,866 COMMUNITY MEMBERS attended education awareness sessions on child protection and child rights conducted by ChildFund-trained youth representatives



9,500 CHILD RIGHTS EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS were distributed at schools and community centres



New pump wells are improving the health of children and their communities

Improving children's health

ChildFund Cambodia's extensive water and sanitation project is bringing clean water and improved sanitation facilities to families in rural Cambodia.



14-year-old Neng no longer walks a long distance every day to fetch water

“Before ChildFund came to our village, I lost two sons because of unsafe water from the creek,” says 40-year-old Sok Ren from Kratie province in rural Cambodia. “One was four years old and my other son was only three months old.”

Sok Ren and his wife live in Damrei Phong commune in Chhloung district, Kratie province. Villagers from this area travel hours through forests, along rocky mountain roads to reach the closest district centre, located more than 30km away.

Before ChildFund's water project began, people found water sources at the creek, from rain and through old open or tube wells in the village. Most did not understand the importance of hygiene and never used a toilet.

“In the village we traditionally used and drank dirty water from the creek. It was a parasite in the water that caused one of my sons to get malaria and the other to get diarrhoea,” he says. “I had no money and the health centre was a long

way away from us so my sons passed away.”

“A decade ago, at least four to five children died every year, mostly because of malaria and diarrhoea,” says Mr Hom Ly, vice-village chief, who lost three of his own children to these preventable diseases.

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“However, the situation is getting better with the support of ChildFund's water and sanitation project,” he says. “The rate of child sickness has decreased from 60 per cent to 20 per cent after four new wells were constructed in our village.”

While the rate of sickness decreased, the income of families has increased with people able to save money on

medical expenses and spend more time at work rather than caring for their unwell children.

Since 2012, ChildFund Cambodia has supported the construction of 21 new pump wells in villages in rural Cambodia.

“When washing clothes, I don't need to go and get water from the creek anymore as we now have a well in my village,” says 14-year-old Neng, who previously walked more than one kilometre or took his father's motorbike to get water every day.

ChildFund also conducted awareness for more than 400 people in the community on the importance of boiling water and washing hands.

“I always boil water for my kids now, even if it was taken from the wells as I don't want to lose any more children,” says Sok Ren. “I thank ChildFund Cambodia for constructing wells and bringing us knowledge to stay healthy.”



Sok Ren at his home

Collaborate to achieve change

Thank you to our ChildFund Alliance partners who have supported ChildFund Cambodia's child-focused development programs

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Financial Report For Year Ended 30 June 2014

Income Statement	2014 (US\$)	2013 (US\$)
Income	3,025,025	2,478,217
Expenditure	2,753,732	2,361,692
Excess of Income over Expenditure	271,293	116,525

Balance Sheet	30 June 2014 (US\$)	30 June 2013 (US\$)
Total assets	1,715,380	1,599,043
Total liabilities	164,054	319,010
Net assets	1,551,326	1,280,033

