

Keep Kids Safe



Phnom Penh, Cambodia



Combatting Trafficking



Tax deductible

Total Budget

Project Timeline

\$98,500

3 YEARS



Overview

This project focuses 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 were 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 built-environment 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. The budget for Year 3 is \$34,500.

Why support this:

Our implementing partner is in this for the long term – they take time to build trusted relationships with the children, who can then tell them what has happened to them. They work to restore children to wholeness but also to bring the perpetrator to justice. They work closely with the government of Cambodia and have had great success. They are taking the time to find the roots of the problem and to create lasting solutions.

Objectives Include:



Training staff in CAP therapy skills



Acquire resources for adventure therapy program



Continue creative arts program for 65 kids clubs



Introduce play therapy to the program

Expected life Change

- Children will be taught how to avoid sex-traffickers and paedophiles.
- Some children are rescued from situations of trafficking.
- Many children will be given a safe space to play and explore their creative side with safe adults to trust.
- Children will gain experiences of new environments that 'trigger' positive emotional responses that lead to healing.

POPULATION

16.5 million

POVERTY

17.7% of the population below poverty line

HEALTH

Life expectancy at birth: 70 years

EDUCATION

Mean years of school (adults) 5 years

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX*

Ranking out of 189 nations Cambodia 144 (Aust 8)

*2020 Human Development Report

