

Building a Brighter Future



Yangon, Myanmar



Anti-Trafficking

Year 1 Budget \$80,000

Project Timeline

\$27,290 TO GO

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Overview

This project follows on from previous successful projects to reach and restore female trafficking victims, specifically those trafficked for sexual exploitation and forced marriage. Entrust will support 45 girls per year: 30 trafficking survivors and 15 at high-risk of being trafficked, across our partner's five centres. Girls will be supported with living costs (stipends) to reduce the risk of returning to trafficking for economic reasons. All girls will receive vocational and business training to gain income-generating skills to support themselves. Trauma counselling, art, music and dance therapy, self-esteem building as well as justice and education programs form part of their rehabilitation. The budget will cover some seed money support for microenterprises, and the salary for one of the vocational trainers.

Impact March - August 2023

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Monthly stipends for 28 trafficking survivors

In this first six-month period alone. The full-time stipends allow for part-time work and vocational training in jewellery, macrame or permaculture. Stipends enable survivors to fully participate with confidence, knowing their families' financial needs will be met.

Vocational training for 16 girls at risk

of being trafficked. They were also supported with monthly stipends, allowing them to support their families while they work, train and focus on personal development through associated counselling and care programs.

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Empowerment programs & therapy

Trauma counselling, creative art therapy group sessions and other drop-in centre programs enable girls to grow in resilience and recover in a safe and secure setting.

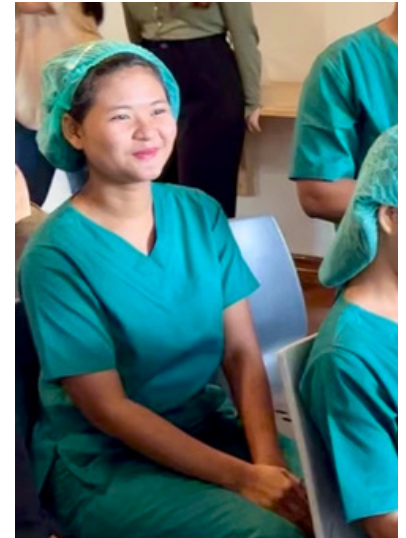
Seed funding for small microenterprises

This new initiative aims to provide business training and support for 15 women to start up microenterprises to become financially independent. So far, 20 projects have been funded, exceeding the target!

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- With ongoing civil war and the exit from the country of large garment manufacturers, more than 2 million women have lost their jobs. This in itself is a huge precursor to trafficking vulnerability.
- The plan is to increase job offers in the jewellery social enterprise and the urban farming project (projected to employ 100 women).



May Phyto's Story

At 14, COVID and the military coup put an end to my schooling. My family arranged for me to marry and within two years I had a son, but my husband was extremely violent. In despair, I sought out an agent who told me of a restaurant job far from home. I left all, only to find I'd been sold to a brothel. I was treated so cruelly, it just broke me. I was able to contact my father using another girl's phone. He came and rescued me and reported my case to authorities who referred me here. I love working in the urban farming project. I'm now one of the supervisors and was trained by a UK plant bioscience expert!



Thank you for making a difference