

Water for Well-Being



Phnom Penh, Cambodia



Water

3 Year Project: Oct 2024 - Sept 2027

Budget Year 1: \$53,000

Overview

This project supports rural communities in Cambodia that struggle with limited access to safe drinking water. In many villages, contaminated water and poor hygiene practices contribute to preventable illnesses, especially among young children, and result in frequent absences from work and school.

To address these challenges, the project works alongside local communities to improve water and sanitation systems. Activities include constructing wells, toilets, and handwashing stations, distributing water filters, and delivering practical hygiene education. These efforts are helping to create healthier living environments, reduce disease, and strengthen opportunities for education and livelihoods.

Impact for October 2024 - September 2025

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Pump wells were constructed

in the communities, providing clean water access to 120 people. This will result in improved health, leading to higher productivity, fewer school absences and greater family well-being.

The SWASH-E (School WASH Education)

program was implemented in four rural schools, where four water tanks, 16 toilets, and four handwashing facilities were constructed and installed.

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people received hygiene and sanitation

through the SWASH-E program, with children taking part in interactive, hands-on activities. As they put these practices into use at school and home, they help encourage healthier habits among their families.

360 clay pot water filters were distributed

across classrooms and family homes, improving water safety and reducing diarrheal disease. In total, 60 families now have reliable access to clean drinking water in their homes.

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- The project uses a demand-driven, market-based model, requiring communities to invest their own resources.
- This approach builds ownership, unity, and a focus on health and the future.
- Principals, teachers, and parents contribute by digging wells and maintaining toilets and wash stations.



Saphea's Story

Saphea is in a school in the Takeo province. She has three siblings, and her school has 316 students. With only two old, rundown toilets, it used to be difficult for students, especially girls, to use them safely and quickly during short breaks. Thanks to the project, new latrines and washing basins were added, and classrooms now have clean water filters. Students also received fun, practical lessons on hygiene and sanitation, which they can use at school and share at home.

"I can use the latrines safely and stay clean and healthy," says Saphea. "We don't have to wait long anymore, and I can drink clean water in class. Now, I understand how to take care of my health and help my family stay healthy too."

Thank you for enabling hope in hard places