

Empowering and Protecting Families



Mondulkiri, Cambodia



Education

3 Year Project: Jan 2024 - Dec 2026

Budget Year 2: \$45,000

Overview

Mondulkiri province, in Cambodia's northeastern highlands, is home to many indigenous communities, primarily the Bunong people, who face extreme poverty, low educational opportunities, high rates of violence, and frequent teenage pregnancies. Our partner works to empower the most vulnerable community members, enabling them to drive positive change in their villages. This project focuses on two main objectives: increasing and sustaining household incomes for at-risk Bunong families, and equipping community members with the skills and knowledge to protect and support women, children, and youth.

Impact for January - December 2025

298 women, men, youth, children, teachers and community leaders

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took part in awareness-raising sessions delivered through small group discussions, school-based activities, and wider community events, covering topics such as gender-based violence (GBV), gender equality, safe migration, human trafficking, and women's rights.



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Farmers were supported through training



and ongoing mentoring to strengthen their skills in growing high-value crops using sustainable production methods. They also received technical guidance, learned how to monitor product quality, and were assisted in linking with supply chains and market opportunities.

8 child and adult survivors of sexual abuse

received psychosocial support and were referred to additional services, including education, healthcare, and legal assistance.



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Children participated in Keep Safe Training



strengthening their understanding of self-awareness, children's rights, different forms of abuse, the concepts of appropriate and inappropriate touch, and how to seek help if they experience or witness violence at home or within their community. The 36 young people who attended training on alcohol and drug misuse, increased their awareness of the risks and impacts of substance use, including addiction and the health consequences. They learned about making informed, responsible choices.



Channa's story

Channa, 32, and her husband, Laven, 40, from Andong Kroloeng village in Mondulkiri province, struggled for years to make ends meet, earning only around \$500 annually from cassava, cashew, and rice farming. Seasonal labor in Keo-Seima district offered little relief, as work was exhausting and unstable. In 2025, Channa was selected for a vegetable-growing project, providing seeds, farming materials, and training in sustainable cultivation techniques. With just 15 square meters of land, she now grows bok choy, lettuce, chili, and more, generating \$150 per cycle over seven cycles per year. This income supports her children's education, farm expansion, and investment in pepper crops. Channa's farm has transformed her family's livelihood and inspired neighbors to adopt climate-smart agriculture practices, creating a model for sustainable, community-driven development.

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