

Water for Well-Being

KHM-MET-WFW-P02



Phnom Penh, Cambodia



Water



Tax deductible

3 Year Project: Oct 2024 to Sept 2027

Total Budget: \$159,000

Current Year Funding Required \$53,000



POPULATION

16.9 million

POVERTY

17.7% of the population below poverty line

HEALTH

Life expectancy at birth: 69.9 years

EDUCATION

Mean years of school (adults) 5.2 years

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX*

Ranking out of 193 nations Cambodia 148 (Aust 10)

**2023-24 Human Development Report*

Overview

This project supports rural communities in Cambodia where access to safe drinking water remains limited. Poor water quality and inadequate hygiene continue to drive preventable health problems, including high infant mortality from diarrheal diseases, and contribute to reduced productivity through frequent illness and absenteeism. In partnership with local communities, the project is improving health, education, and economic outcomes by addressing critical water and sanitation needs. Activities include constructing wells, toilets, and wash stations, distributing water filters, and delivering practical hygiene training. Year 2 budget: \$53,000

Why support this:

Across the four target provinces, lack of safe drinking water remains a major challenge, impacting health, productivity, financial stability, and education. This program addresses both immediate needs and long-term solutions.

Our partner works with local communities to provide water infrastructure and training in sanitation, hygiene, and water management. Community members are equipped to manage and maintain the project sustainably. Strengthening local knowledge also empowers the next generation to develop lasting water and sanitation solutions, helping communities achieve long-term change.

Objectives Include:



School WASH education in 30 rural schools



Construct 15 pump wells and concrete wells



900 claypot water filters to provide clean drinking water



Hygiene & sanitation training for all beneficiaries

Expected life Change

- Significant reduction in illness, particularly from water-borne diseases.
- Improved children's school attendance as a result of better health and increased family productivity.
- Up to a 50% reduction in time spent collecting water, enabling greater participation in education, income-generating activities, and other quality-of-life improvements.