

Restoration for a New Beginning

LAO-TRA-RNB-P01



Vientiane, Laos



Economic Empowerment



Tax deductible

1 Year Project: Jan 2026 to Dec 2026

Total Budget: \$41,000

Current Year Funding Required: \$41,000



POPULATION

7.6 million

POVERTY

18.3% of the population below poverty line

HEALTH

Life expectancy at birth: 69 years

EDUCATION

Mean years of school (adults) 5.9 years

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX*

Ranking out of 193 nations
Laos 139 (Aust 10)

*2023-24 Human Development Report

Overview

Our implementing partner is committed to supporting vulnerable and marginalised communities in Laos, with a strong focus on helping individuals rebuild their lives from addiction. In the outskirts of Vientiane, they operate three care and rehabilitation centres, including a newly established Women and Children's Centre designed to offer a safe, supportive environment for women and their families. The work of the centre is strengthened by providing holistic rehabilitation, emotional support, and practical vocational training for women seeking freedom from addiction. Our contribution to the project will fund local Lao staff salaries and key operational expenses for the coming year, while also supporting the centre's efforts to grow its long-term sustainability.

Why support this:

This project responds to community feedback from women who identified a strong need for a safe place to pursue rehabilitation and rebuild their lives. The Women's Centre offers a supportive environment where women can heal, gain confidence and skills, and where children can grow in safety and stability.

The centre is run entirely by local staff, many with their own lived experience of recovery, bringing deep understanding, empathy, and strong commitment to the women they serve.

Objectives Include:



Rehabilitation and restoration for 10 female addicts



Provide a loving & nurturing place for 5 dependent kids



Vocational training for 10 women in sewing and baking



Sustainability projects - chickens, candlemaking & vegetables

Expected life Change

- **Renewed Hope:** Young women recovering from addiction gain confidence, life skills, and the ability to pursue meaningful work.
- **Empowered Mothers:** Vocational training equips women to provide for and nurture their children.
- **Thriving Children:** Children grow up in safe, loving homes and have access to education, setting them on a path to a brighter future.