

## Keep Me in School



Phnom Penh, Cambodia



Education



Tax deductible

**3 Year Project:** Jan 2024 to Dec 2026

**Total Budget:** \$99,840

**Current Year Funding Required:** \$35,840



### 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 191 nations  
Cambodia 148 (Aust 10)

\*2023-24 Human Development Report

### Overview

Our partner works in Phnom Penh's slum communities, supporting families and children who have not yet accessed formal education or are struggling in school. They seek out children with a desire to learn and walk alongside them throughout their schooling years, with many continuing on to university and further opportunities. This project forms a key part of our partner's Education Program, strengthening community-based learning centres that provide Khmer and foundational Math tutoring. These centres also offer safe spaces where children can complete homework and participate in a range of classes, such as English, Computers, Art, Music, and Sports.

### Why support this:

This program goes beyond simply enrolling children in school. It focuses on those often overlooked by society, helping them thrive, discover their purpose, reach their potential, and grow as future leaders. Significant effort is devoted to identifying children from challenging circumstances - those living in slums, on the streets, or facing neglect or exploitation. These children are guided into education, nurtured to develop a love of learning, and inspired to envision a future beyond their wildest dreams.

### Objectives Include:



**Providing quality  
after school  
teaching**



**Run a leadership  
program for  
teenage kids**



**Providing basic  
computer and  
English literacy**



**Operate a  
sports program  
at the centres**

### Expected life Change

- Young children are supported in their education to grow as leaders and serve their communities.
- As they progress, they are guided by emerging leaders who have navigated similar paths.
- Young adult mentors help children from slum communities stay motivated and engaged in school.
- Students complete government schooling, with many moving on to study in university.