

## Facts

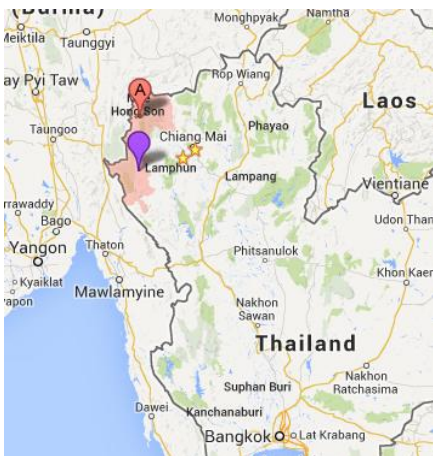
Name	Baan Sompoi
Type of facility	Boarding House
No. of students	165 (92 boys, 73 girls)
No. of boarders	57 (31 boys, 26 girls)
No. of teachers	7 (4 male, 3 female)
No. of boarding houses	1
Size of building	114m <sup>2</sup>
Budget	USD 27,248
Construction period	Sep 2013 – Jan 2014
Project manager	Mr. Chalach Mongkolsoemsakul
Location (Province)	Mae Hong Son, Thailand

## Description

Baan Sompoi Secondary School (map: purple marker) was established in 1984 and is located in Mae Lan Noi district of Mae Hong Son province (map: red marker) in the northwestern part of Thailand. The majority of the villagers in this community depend on subsistence farming and work on plantations. People in the community are mostly from the Karen ethnic minority group.

There are 165 students (73 girls and 92 boys) that attend the school and they come from 6 remote villages: Khun Maela, Sompoi, Mae Omlan, Paekae, Fukthong and Maelaphawai. Because it is too far for some children to travel each day to and from the school and in the rainy season the roads become difficult and dangerous to use, the school provides boarding accommodation. Currently, there are 57 boarding students (26 girls; 31 boys) who are staying in the boarding facility; without which they will likely miss out on schooling at all. The physical condition of the boarding house is very poor making it unsafe and unhygienic. There are no toilets or bathing facilities and no teacher's room, which makes the supervision and safety aspects a concern for parents. In addition, the house is very overcrowded with no room for bunk beds for all children, who must then lay their mattresses in other parts of the school for sleep. As the number of students is expected to increase, lack of space will become more of a problem.

## Map



## Implementation

We will support Baan Sompoi Secondary School by constructing a new boarding house for the boys with toilets and washing facilities, a reading room, drying room and a room for a boarding teacher. By ensuring that the school's boarding facilities are safe, hygienic and no longer overcrowded, both current and new parents would be more likely to let their children stay and more children will receive an education. The communities will support the project by preparing the land for construction and contributing wood for the structure and some labour for the construction. The school will provide food to the communities members and hired labour working on the site.

For the actual construction a contractor will be hired by Child's Dream, which will be paid over three installments based on the progress in the agreed construction phases. The fourth payment of 5% will be held back for one year as guarantee for the quality of the work. Project risks stem from possible delays in the building construction during the rainy season as travelling on local roads can become very difficult and may cause delays in transportation, the building work and project monitoring. The building is due to start in September and will be finished in January 2014.

## Photos



The boarding house at Baan Sompoi School



The boarding house is overcrowded and the physical condition of the building is very poor

## Budget

1 USD = 31 THB

Item	THB	USD	In %
Construction material	504,119	16,262	59%
Labour	165,000	5,323	20%
Interior / Furniture	45,000	1,452	5%
Transportation	40,000	1,290	5%
Monitoring & Implementation cost	31,421	1,014	4%
Administration Overhead contribution	59,127	1,907	7%
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>844,667</b>	<b>27,248</b>	<b>100%</b>

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