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A charity organization supporting children in need

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Project report for

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Child's Dream is pleased to present you with a project report for the following project:

Project concerned:

Secondary School in the Karen village Huay Pu

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Executive Summary

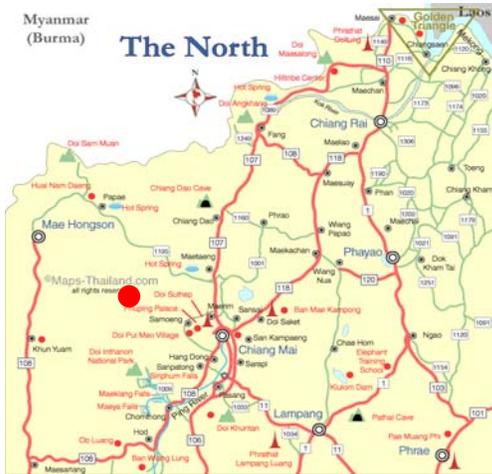
Working together with the local community, Child's Dream supports the construction of a secondary school in the remote Karen village of Huay Pu. The new school allows these children to complete their education in their village. Education is the most important factor for sustainable development and a peaceful coexistence in a community. It offers children better opportunities for themselves and their community in the future.

With the help of a local foreman, Child's Dream is constructing a 4 room school building.

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1. Overview



● Huay Pu

Usually we do not support Thai government schools in order not to take away this responsibility from the Thai government. However, one of Child's Dream's main goals is the children's integration into society in order to increase their employability. Thus we decided to cooperate with the school to support their efforts to later integrate these children into Thai society without losing their culture. The main responsibility for the school building and its maintenance remains with the Thai government.

Approximately 550,000 people from different hill tribes are living in Thailand. Most of them migrated to Thailand from Tibet, China, Burma or Laos in the 19th and 20th centuries and live in the mountainous areas in the North and West. The government recognises nine ethnic minorities under its umbrella term "hill tribe". Although the majority of these people were born in Thailand, many of them do not have birth certificates, which means they have no citizenship, no identification cards, and thus no legal identity and are therefore considered illegal aliens in their own country. Access to basic entitlements like education, health care and land ownership are restricted. Being marginalized, these people, and especially their children, are very vulnerable.

Huay Pu is a Karen village located in a remote mountainous area approximately 120 km west of Chiang Mai. Karen are one of the recognized hill tribes.

2. Implementation

A group of students from the Ramkhamhaeng University of Bangkok established an alliance called "Community Development Voluntary Program". This program is based on the idea that students with various backgrounds need to gain experience outside the university grounds and need to put their knowledge into practice. Moreover, it is a once in a life time occasion for these students to meet unknown and unfamiliar cultures in rural areas in their own country. The alliance is under the supervision of the university and financially as well as materially supported by various sources. The students asked Child's Dream to support this project. We agreed to finance construction material and labour for about THB 255,000. Some initial construction work had been carried out by the students, whereas the main work is done by the villagers.

The rooms are almost completed and will be ready before the new academic year starts. Whether we will also pay for electricity and school furniture will be considered at a later stage.

3. Budget

Description	Amount in THB
Construction Materials	122,500
Windows & Doors	64,000
Paint	28,500
Labour	40,000
Grand Total	255,000

Your donation of HKD 60,000 (approx. THB 250,250) will be fully allocated to this project. The remaining amount will be covered with funds from our general donation pool.

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4. Project chronology

The following link provides information about the various phases of the project and leads to the photo gallery:

<http://www.childsdream.org/en/projects.asp?typeID=1¤tPage=1&#project54>

5. Project photos



How it all began



The students from Bangkok at work



The villagers contribute as well



The students lining up



The new building



Looking forward to having a new school

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you very much for your trust and support. Together we are able to have a positive impact on many children's lives.

Chiang Mai, May 14th, 2007

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