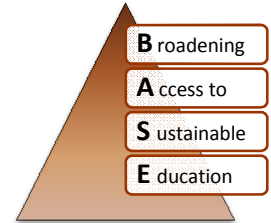




# Na Luam Secondary School



## Facts

Name	Na Luam
Type of facility	Secondary School
No. of students	325 (167 girls, 158 boys)
No. of teachers	12 (8 men, 4 women)
Size of building	280 m <sup>2</sup>
Classrooms	5 (+ 2 toilets)
Budget	USD 42,065
Construction period	07/2012– 01/2013
Project manager	Supattra Matakoon
Location (Province)	Northern Laos, Xaignabouli Province

## Description

Established in 2008, Na Luam Secondary School has been providing education at the lower secondary level to students coming from five neighbouring villages: Baan Na Luam, Baan Huai Sam Or, Baan Paak Thang, Baan Huai San Kham and Baan Nam Song. Located in the northern Laos region of Xaignabouli district in Xaignabouli province, the majority of the 325 students are primarily from three ethnic groups – Hmong (65%), Kha Mu (25%) and Lao Lum (10%). To cope with the growing learning needs of their students, the school expanded their curriculum to offer grade 9 classes last year. Students with an interest in pursuing higher education still have to move to neighbouring villages with schools that offer upper secondary education.

The community used their limited resources and initiated the construction of a school building with some support by the Provincial Office of Education. In 2011, they were able to conclude the construction of the main building including toilets using Child’s Dream’s funding. Since then and for the coming years the school is expecting a steady increase in student numbers (now already 325 compared to 224 in 2011). An additional 150 students are projected for next year coming from 6 primary schools in the area. Current facilities do not offer sufficient space to cater for such a number of students and the school is in desperate need of supplementary buildings.

## Map



## Implementation

In this project we will be supporting the community by constructing a second school building to create a safe and secure learning environment for all children. We will also add two new toilet blocks and equip the new building with furniture. The construction materials will be purchased from a shop in Xaignabouli district and will be transported by truck to Na Luam Secondary School. A professional construction foreman will be hired to manage the actual construction process. The government will continue providing learning materials and also paying for the teachers’ salaries. We consider this to be a low to medium risk project due to the instability of the exchange rate and fluctuating costs for construction materials. The weather (construction being during rainy season) may be a concern, too, as it could delay the project completion. The construction is scheduled to take place between July 2012 and January 2013.

## Photos



Welcome to Na Luam Secondary School



The current far too small school facility

## Budget

Item	THB	USD	In %
Construction material	854,970	27,553	66%
Interior / Furniture	128,232	4,132	9%
Labor	150,000	4,834	11%
Transportation	20,000	645	2%
Monitoring & Implementation cost	60,695	1,956	5%
Administration Overhead contribution	91,369	2,945	7%
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>1,305,266</b>	<b>42,065</b>	<b>100%</b>



Many students are attending this school

## Project manager

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