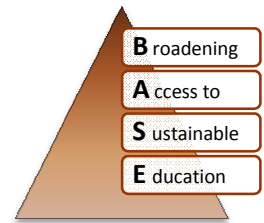




Pha Lai Secondary School



Facts

Name	Baan Pha Lai
Type of facility	Secondary School
No. of students	45 (29 girls, 16 boys)
Size of building	224m ²
Budget	USD 31,791
Construction period	Apr 2011 – Nov 2011
Project manager	Supattra Matakoon
Location (Province)	South Laos (Champasak)

Description

First established as a primary school in 1977, this school could only offer grade 1-3 primary level classes to children as they had only one teacher. It was only in 1982 that the curriculum could be expanded to include grade 4 and 5 primary level classes. The existing primary school building was constructed in 1998, with contributions from World Vision, GAPE, government and the community. Over the years, many students from the six surrounding villages have graduated from this primary school; but few could continue to further their education at the secondary school level, as the journey to the nearest secondary school is far and difficult. Hence, the Laotian Provincial Office for Education decided to operate a branch secondary school in 2009, offering grade 1-3 secondary level classes. Currently, the secondary level classes are conducted in the primary school's library. Although there are currently only 45 secondary students, this number is expected to increase dramatically as primary students continue to secondary level. In addition many students that currently cannot study due to the lack of space will return and continue their education.

Map



Implementation

As the existing primary school building is insufficient to accommodate all the secondary school students, Child's Dream has agreed to support the construction of one school building with four classrooms and two toilets. We will also be providing furniture for all the rooms. Construction materials will be purchased from a shop in Pakse district of Champasak province and a professional contractor will be hired to manage the actual construction. The community will be contributing labour, scaffolding, roof, windows and door frames for the new building. Since construction start is only in April, there is a certain risk of higher prices for construction material. The construction work is expected to take place from April 2011 to November 2011 with a budget of USD 31,791.

Photos



The library that was converted into a classroom

Budget

Item	THB	USD	In %
Construction material	565,249	18,723	58
Labor	150,000	4,969	16
Interior / Furniture	115,730	3,833	12
Transportation	40,000	1,325	4
Direct Project Administration	25,979	861	3
Administration Overhead contribution	62,787	2,080	7
Total Budget	959,745	31,791	100



Classes are conducted in this very small space.



Secondary students who are very eager to study

Project manager

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i) Project photos



Flooded roads during the rainy season



Meeting with the community leaders



The primary school's library



"Hak Arn" - Love to read in Laotian language



Inside the library where lessons are held



The leaders were very eager to discuss more



Students preparing for classes



Each class is packed with students



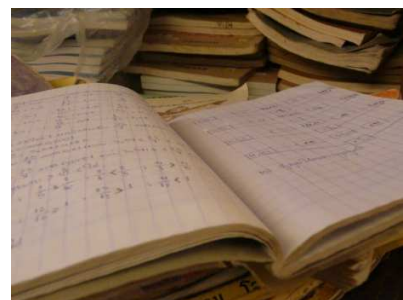
Neatly arranged shelves



Broken furniture continues to be used



Child's Dream staff talking to the students



Books filled with neat handwriting