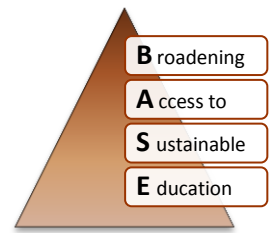




Tuol Kruos Primary School Building



Facts

Name	Tuol Kruos
Type of Facility	Primary School
No. of Students	116 (52 girls, 64 boys)
No. of Teachers	2 (1 female, 1 male)
No. of Classrooms	1 building with 4 classrooms
Building Size	288 sq m
Budget	USD 48,276
Construction period	Sep 2014 to Feb 2015
Project manager	Ms. Sreylin Chum
Location (Province)	Oddar Meanchey Province, Trapeang Prasat District, Cambodia

Description

Until today, Cambodia is still one of the poorest and least developed countries in Southeast Asia. In its four years under the Khmer Rouge regime and the decades of social instability that followed, Cambodia's social fabric was so utterly destroyed that many Cambodians today are struggling to trust. While its tourism is flourishing, development is not evenly distributed in this country. Many rural and remote communities remain poverty-stricken, as corruption and self-interest precedes the country's development and Tuol Kruos is one such community. Located in Oddar Meanchey Province along the north-western part of the Cambodia-Thailand border, Tuol Kruos village is home to 697 people. Most people depend on subsistence farming and plantation works for living. The lone building of Tuol Kruos Primary School is made out of wood and shanty corrugated sheet metal roofing. During dry season the dirt floor become dusty and turns into mud pits during rainy season. Consequently, young children in dirt floor classrooms are more likely to come in contact with harsh elements that can affect their health and wellbeing. A total of 116 students attend the two classroom building and students' age range from six to sixteen years old. By building a new school facility, it will provide them with a conducive and safe learning environment and significantly improve their overall condition.

Map



Implementation

We will construct one concrete school building with four classrooms to help establish Tuol Kruos Primary School. In addition, toilets will be built and furniture will be provided for the classrooms. The Cambodian government will support the teachers' training and salaries, provide the curriculum and materials for teaching and learning. The community will prepare the land and fill up the soil for the school ground and the foundation. They will also help secure the storage of the construction materials and send regular follow up reports to our office. In addition, the community will contribute by building the fence around the school vicinity. A professional contractor will be hired to manage the actual construction and will provide the building materials needed. We consider this a low risk project, although possible delays may arise from slow community contribution. Due to the nature of their parents' livelihood some might move to neighboring Thailand to work in the plantations. However, the commitment of the community to pursue basic education outweighs this risk. The project is scheduled to commence in September 2014 and is expected to be completed by February 2015. As usual, we schedule very frequent follow up visits.

Photos



Welcome to Tuol Kruos Primary School

Budget

Item	US\$	In %
Construction materials	31,607	65
Interior & Furniture	2,789	6
Labor	6,830	14
Transportation	2,773	6
Project Implementation & Monitoring	898	2
Administration Overhead	3,379	7
Total Budget	48,276	100



Classroom with dirt floors and one small window



Meeting with the community at Tuol Kruos village

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