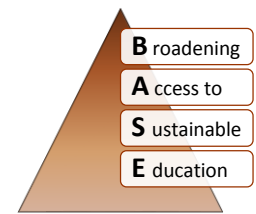




# Srok Aek Phnom Boarding House



## Facts

Name	Srok Aek Phnom
Type of facility	Boarding House
No. of students	861 (344 boys, 517 girls)
No. of teachers	63 (39 male, 24 female)
No. of boarders	Expected approx. 40 girls
Size of building	228 m <sup>2</sup>
Budget	<b>USD 53,559</b>
Construction period	Oct 2015 – April 2016
Project manager	Ms. Sreylin Chum
Location	Prek Luong Village, Aek Phnom District, Battambang Province, Cambodia

## Description

In spite of its flourishing tourism, Cambodia is still one of the poorest and least developed countries in Southeast Asia. Development is not evenly distributed in the country and many rural communities remain poverty-stricken as corruption and self-interest impedes the country's growth. Srok Aek Phnom High School is located in Aek Phnom District of Battambang Province. The school offers education from grade 7 to grade 10 and has 861 students, aged 12 - 20, in attendance. We currently fund scholarships to 14 students attending Srok Aek Phnom High School via our High School Scholarship Programme. Many students must travel long distances from their homes in order to be able to attend high school. Some of these students resort to finding and paying for accommodation with relatives, friends or nearby temples (boys only). By providing the school with a boarding house for approximately 40 girl students and 3 toilets, it will dramatically reduce the costs associated with attending high school and furthermore include more students who could not afford such payments in the past. Students will be able to reside on the premises of the school, eliminating the need, costs, and risks to travel to school every day. Furthermore, a new boarding house will emphasize the importance of education to the community and provide an incentive for the children and youth to continue with and complete their secondary education. The whole school compound consists of four cement and 2 wooden school buildings and serves a catchment area of 5 surrounding communes.

## Map



## Implementation

We will support Srok Aek Phnom High School by constructing a boarding house which will host 40 female students and have 3 toilets. As with all our projects, we will seek to involve the local community in the construction process as much as possible. The community will contribute by filling up the boarding house foundation and connecting electricity and running water to the facility. Involvement of the community in the project is critical as it encourages a stronger sense of ownership over the project. A local contractor will be hired to manage the labour and materials, oversee the construction of the boarding house, and purchase the furniture needed. Once the project is completed, the community will be responsible for the maintenance of the boarding house. Payments will be made in instalments according to the progress of the construction and 5% of the total cost will be held back for six months as a guarantee for the work.

We consider this project as low risk. The main risks would be the boarding house being utilised as a public area, and not for the students. In order to avoid this, a boarding house committee comprised of school staff and locals will be formed and trained. Construction is due to begin September 2015 and completion is expected by March 2016.



Srok Aek Phnom High School

## Budget

Item	USD	In %
Construction material	32,843	61%
Labour cost	9,810	18%
Interior & Furniture	5,692	11%
Transportation	490	1%
Monitoring & Implementation cost	996	2%
Administration Overhead contribution	3,728	7%
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>53,559</b>	<b>100%</b>



The young students of Srok Aek Phnom



Meeting with the local community and school leaders

## Project Manager

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