

## Facts

Name	Rom Chek
Type of facility	School building
Number of students	175 (88 boys, 87 girls)
Number of teachers	5 (2 men, 3 women)
Number of classrooms to be built by us	1 building with 5 furnished classrooms and 4 toilets
Size of building	360 m <sup>2</sup>
Budget	<b>USD 56,208</b>
Construction period	March to October 2018
Project Manager	Sinoeuy My (Mr.)
Location (Province)	Rom Chek Village Anlong Veng District Oddar Meanchey Province Cambodia

## Map



## Photos



The temporary building built in 2014. During the rainy seasons, the lowland part behind the building become flooded.



Our local CD team, the primary school officials and the community inspecting the site prior to construction.

## Description

Cambodia is still, in many aspects, one of the least developed countries in Southeast Asia. Development is not evenly distributed in the country and many rural communities remain predominantly poverty-stricken as corruption and self-interest impede the country's growth. Rom Chek Secondary School is located in Rom Chek Village in Anlong Veng District of Oddar Meanchey Province, northern Cambodia, bordered by Thailand. The village, established relatively recently in 1998, has a population of 4,285 residents and is home to 1,059 families. Most of the villagers' living depend on seasonal crops farming such as bean and corn as well as rice cultivation. The village is challenged by poor infrastructure and lack of water resources, especially during the dry season. In the past, pupils who were committed to pursue secondary education would need to commute a long distance from approximately 8 – 10 km to school. On seeing the hardship, the community then decided to construct a temporary building for the secondary level students in 2014. However, the number of students' enrolment has been increasing considerably. Some of the secondary level students were sent to nearby Andong Bei Primary School, making it problematic to continue hosting both groups due to inadequate classrooms. Therefore, a new secondary-level school building is substantial. We will support Rom Chek by constructing a concrete school building with 5 fully furnished classrooms and 4 toilets, to enable a tangible and more motivating learning environment for these pupils aged between 12 and 15. This new building will emphasise the importance of education to the whole community and provide an incentive for the young people to complete their secondary education, paving their path towards higher education.

## Implementation

In order to improve the existing insufficient learning facility, we decided to build a new school building with 5 furnished classrooms and 4 toilets, which will permit students to fully benefit from their education. As with all our projects, the local community will be involved in the construction process. Involvement of the community is critical, as it encourages a stronger sense of ownership over the project. The community will contribute by filling the foundation for construction as well as erecting the school fence and other preparations for school opening. A local contractor will be hired to manage the labour and transportation of materials, oversee the construction, and arrange for the furniture needed. Once the project is completed, the community will be responsible for the maintenance of the school. 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 quality of the work. Construction is due to begin at the beginning of March and expected to be completed by early October 2018.

## Budget

Item	USD	In %
Construction Material	36,246	64
Labour	11,579	21
Transportation	973	2
Interior & Furniture	1,907	3
Implementation & Monitoring Cost	1,568	3
Administration Overhead	3,935	7
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>56,208</b>	<b>100</b>



Contract signing in agreement of the location and implementation of the school building.

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