

Facts

Name	Krous Primary School
Type of facility	School Building
Number of students	250 (137 boys, 113 girls)
Number of teachers	5 (2 men, 3 women)
Number of classrooms to be built by us	1 building with 4 fully furnished classrooms and 4 additional toilets
Size of building	288 m ²
Budget	USD 47,090
Construction period	June to January 2019
Project manager	Sinoeuy My (Mr.)
Location	Krous Village Anlong Run Commune Thma Koul District Battambang Province Cambodia

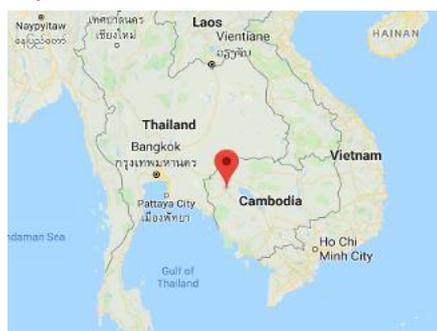
Description

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. The Krous Primary School is located in the Krous Village, Anlong Run Commune, Thma Koul District, Battambang Province, Cambodia. The Krous Village has a population of 1,269 residents and is home to 293 families. The village was established just after the Khmer Rouge period which took place from 1975 to 1979. The vast majority of the population is mainly dependent on subsistence agriculture and plantation work. Despite its proximity to the more progressive Thailand, the economic progress in this area remains slow. The Krous Primary School currently has 2 school buildings with a total of 9 classrooms for 250 students (137 boys, 113 girls). One building was built by the community with the support of a neighbouring organisation in 2016. It has 4 classrooms and is still in good shape and can last for many more years. The other building was constructed by the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) in 1998. It has 5 classrooms and was built with bricks and cement without an iron structure inside. In 2013 it got affected by flooding so the foundation is severely dilapidated. In addition, the wooden beams and roof perforated over time. The building is on the verge of collapsing, posing a very dangerous and hazardous learning environment. Under these unsafe circumstances, the students cannot focus on their studies and easily get distracted in the chaotic learning environment. There is an essential need for a new school building with a favourable standard for the many students. We would like to support the community by replacing the fragile building with the construction of a new concrete school building with 4 fully furnished classrooms and 4 additional toilets. This will enable an effective and more motivating learning environment for the students and emphasize the importance of education through a welcoming and motivating environment. In addition, the school will provide an incentive for the young students to pursue their secondary education, paving their path towards higher education. The replacement of the building is very urgent since we are afraid that a sudden collapse can insure the children inside.

Implementation

Construction of the new school building with 4 fully equipped classrooms and 4 additional toilets is expected to take place from June to January 2019. 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 to the project by collapsing the old building, fill in the land, building a fence around the school ground and organize the opening ceremony of the new school building. 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. The teachers' salaries, trainings and follow-ups are supported and managed by the government. We consider this a low-risk project because the school is easily accessible at all seasons and the management skills of the school and the community is good.

Map



Photos



The old and fragile school building of the Krous Primary School.

Budget

Item	USD	In %
Construction Material	30,929	66
Labour	9,121	19
Transportation	1,003	2
Interior & Furniture	1,427	3
Implementation & Monitoring Cost	1,314	3
Administration Overhead	3,296	7
Total Budget	47,090	100



The foundation, the wooden beams and the roof perforated over time. The building is unstable and very dangerous and scary for the students, their parents and teachers. It might collapse anytime soon.



The community is strongly involved in the planning and implementation process. The initial meeting was received with great interest.