

Cambodian Volunteers for Community Development



History



- ▶ Established in 1992
- ▶ Founded by Peter Pond and his adopted Khmer-American son, Arn Chorn Pond together with local students who were studying English behind the Royal Palace
- ▶ Registered with the Ministry of Interior in 1996

Activities



- ▶ Non-Formal Education (NFE)
- ▶ Farmers' Cooperative
- ▶ Program for International and Cambodian Volunteers



Locations



- ▶ **Non-Formal Education** – Kork Khleang I, Kork Khleang II, Krang Angkrang II, Phoum Boun, Arkpiwat Meanchey
- ▶ **Farmers' Cooperative** – Battambang Province
- ▶ **Program for International and Cambodian Volunteers**– Phnom Penh



NFE Achievements



- ▶ In 2010, the NFE program held 502 students participating in 19 Khmer literacy classes, 4 English classes and 3 computer training courses.
- ▶ 28 students of 2010 transitioned to the 7th grade of state school.
- ▶ Of the 502 students, 82% passed their exams.
- ▶ 27 students completed computer courses (Word & Excel).
- ▶ 104 students studied English.
- ▶ 143 community members participated in community workshops.



Vocational Skills Training Center – Kampong Cham province 2002–2005



- ▶ Collaboration with
Clear Path International
- ▶ Vocational skills training in mechanics and electronics, and sewing for disabled people
- ▶ 150 students graduated
- ▶ 50 had been injured by landmines
- ▶ 36 had been injured by UXO
- ▶ 64 were relatives of landmine/UXO survivors



Working with the disabled – Battambang 2006–2011



In partnership with CPI:



- ▶ Rice mill
- ▶ Microcredit loans
- ▶ Vocational training



Beneficiaries



- 43 disabled people attended mechanic training courses, 34 graduated and received grant tools to start their own businesses.
- Over 1,600 people benefited from receiving farming, small business and home improvement loans.
- Rice Mill purchased over 200 tons of rice from targeted people per year.
- Project dug canals, 3,285 meters in length, to provide irrigation to rice fields and prevent flooding.



Impacts



- ▶ In June 2010, 50 new agriculture loans were distributed. 34 of those beneficiaries were disabled
- ▶ Disabled people make up 51% of the total farmers' cooperative beneficiaries;
- ▶ The rice mill project provides employment for 4 disabled people
- ▶ From 2002–2005, 150 skills training students graduated of which 86 were landmine/UXO survivors and the remainder were relatives.
- ▶ Canals dug directly benefit over 3,200 community members.

Challenges



- ▶ Environmental conditions
- ▶ Insufficient capital
- ▶ Machinery difficulties
- ▶ Rice quality



Forecast



By 2015, CVCD aims to:

- ▶ Provide microcredit loans to 1051 farmers and 160 community members
- ▶ Mill at least 1000 tons of rice
- ▶ Increase number of students from 550 to 600
- ▶ Conduct workshops for at least 600 community members
- ▶ Provide 3 kindergarten classes for 75 students
- ▶ Conduct 15 computer classes for at least 225 students

To achieve these goals and others, CVCD requires approximately \$652,000 in funding by 2015.

Thank You



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