

Cambodia Youth for Change (CYC) Hope through Learning

Annual Report: August 2016 - July 2017

I Welcome from the Project Officer

Hello! My name is Meun Sreyneh. I work as a Project Officer at Cambodia Youth for Change (CYC). In 2012 I got to know CYC through my friend, we studied at high-school together. Then I applied for a scholarship at CYC in October 2012. CYC provided an opportunity for me to be a scholarship student for 2 years (2012- 2014). Through this scholarship I was able to remain in school and I always helped one day a week at CYC learning centre to prepare the materials in the centre, play with children and I helped with outreach activities at the village with another scholarship student. Activities included reading story book to groups of children, singing songs, play games, drawing and much more. The scholarship helped me to finish high-school and allowed me to buy materials for study and some money every month.

In 2014 I passed my examinations at high-school and since then CYC has provided me more opportunity to work in the centre and a university scholarship, which has now allowed me to attend university part-time for over 2 years. I decided to study at ANGOR KEMARA University in Kompong Speu every weekend (Saturday- Sunday), and my area of study is Management. During the week I now work at CYC. Sometimes we have volunteers come to visit us so I help to make activities for them, like teaching plans, play games, sing a song, translate, and accompany volunteers to ride a bicycle to student's village and around CYC area.

I really like working in CYC because I have gained a lot of experience that helps my study, research, improve my knowledge, management, leadership skills, how to communicate with





people in the community, how to support children and opportunity to work with foreigners. We really like to play games, teach them to draw, sing, read and teach English to them to what is now around 150 students each day. Some days we plant flowers and clean around CYC together and encourage the students to look after our community. Especially I can help poor students to have opportunities to learn English, have fun and play. They always have a sweet smile and a real big heart. I am especially thankful that I have an opportunity to receive this scholarship and work here at CYC. In the future I want to be manager of my own business. Finally, I would like to say thank you to the donors who are supporting CYC and wish everybody a successful life, have a healthy, happy, love in life and respect from me.

Cambodia Youth For Change Purpose

Cambodia Youth For Change has been established to promote learning and leadership in Cambodia. The direct benefits which flow from this purpose include: Access to educational resources including library facilities, computers and educational classes for students in Kampong Speu, Cambodia. Opportunities for leadership scholarships for both high school and university level students in Kampong Speu, Cambodia. Access to child friendly spaces for children to play and have fun in a safe environment.

These benefits are demonstrated through; the provision of a Learning Centre in Kampong Speu, Cambodia, providing educational resources and a safe environment for the provision of leadership scholarships to high school and university level students from underprivileged backgrounds, the provision of educational classes and leadership training opportunities. The purposes of Cambodia Youth For Change are beneficial to children, young people and the Kampong Speu community. The purposes are not harmful to anyone. The beneficiaries are children and young people from Kampong Speu, Cambodia. There is no private benefit flowing from these purposes.

Cambodia Youth For Change raises funds in Northern Ireland to support an education project in Kampong Speu, Cambodia. The funds raised are used to support a learning centre, provide books, resources and computers for a library. As part of the project, CYC also provides leadership scholarships to children from poor families so that they can remain in school. We also provide university scholarships to support children through their university studies.

The Company is established to promote learning and leadership in Cambodia. To identify, through interaction with the local community, their perceived learning and leadership needs; Cambodia Youth for Change learning centre was opened officially in July 2012. The centre is located in Svaykrovann village Kompong Speu province, Cambodia.

During the year from 1st August 2016 to 31st July 2017, CYC has provided two high school and two university scholarships to financially support these students to ensure they are able to continue their education and lessen the pressure to enter full time work in the clothing factories, or to enter into marriage for financial reasons only.

We have c150 children attending the Learning centre on a daily basis, availing of library and other resources, English classes, use of computers and a safe place to play.

We have also had several volunteers from Northern Ireland visit and deliver English and music classes, as well as bringing books and stationary resources with them.

II Scholarship Program (high-school and university)

Since 2012 students have been selected for participation in the CYC Scholarship Programmes. This year the funding has been provided to a boy and a girl, from families with various challenges and we help with their education and support to allow them to continue their study. Since 2014, CYC has offered two university scholarships with beneficiaries studying Management and English Courses. We continue to support the two university scholars with their continuing studies. In addition, during 2016/17 CYC has provided tutoring for English to the Project Officer and Assistants who deliver English classes to the children who attend the Learning Centre every day; additional training on Computer studies, Leadership Development and Management.

In 2017 we have 1 female Scholarship student in the centre. She attends secondary School and the scholarship is provided through monthly donations given from CYC, along with ongoing support from the Learning Centre and Project Officer.



III School activities at CYC

CYC is open from Monday to Friday. We have the mission to protect and help the children to improve their knowledge, provide the opportunity to learn English, read books, play games, study music and art.

During the last year, we have on average 150 children visiting the Learning Centre each day, availing of lessons and taking part in other activities.

CYC has provided some basic stationary requirements such as books, pencils and materials for those students who show academic excellence and those who haven't enough money to buy these basics. We provide English classes for various levels of learners from Basic to Intermediate. We also provide smaller group classes for those students who are struggling to read and write and need that extra attention and teaching away from the larger classes.

CYC also provides the use of a range of resources from books, with a library scheme in place, computers and other stationary for art and use in classes.

As mentioned above, we have one female scholarship student (Srey ne) who studies at Maromtabong secondary school. She is helpful, respectful, and always assists younger children in the afternoon at CYC. Srey Ne will assist in teaching the children, prepares materials for the Project Officer & Assistant, reads books for the youngest students who can't read yet, and also teaches a small class. In her free time, she likes to play sports, read books and plant the flowers around the Learning Centre. She obtains support from the Project Officer if she hasn't understood any of her lessons from school and also if she needs help with her homework.

In addition to the Project officer, CYC has one other university scholarship student who assists in the Learning Centre on a part-time basis. They are studying English linguistics. Both university scholars are enjoying life in university. And they both say that CYC is the main point to push them to study hard and do well. And they are very thankful for all the support and are extremely thankful to the donors for their kindness in supporting CYC.







IV Outreach/ Partnership with local school

In H2 of 2016, CYC established good relationships with two local primary schools, the teachers and the principals of same. We went to Marom Tabong and Angpor primary schools. During our visits we did many activities with the students such as teaching English, making flowers with paper, reading books, playing some games in the library and cleaning the space around the school. CYC also provided some materials for play, some story books, and footballs. However, due to the high numbers of children attending the learning centre we have been unable to continue our regular outreach work with the local schools. We continue to visit the local schools when we can.









Emergency Fund

On becoming aware of an incident which resulted in the destruction of a family's home and all of their money and possessions, CYC provided a donation of \$100 to allow the family to purchase clothes and other basic essentials, we also provided the eldest boy in the family (Makara) with a new bicycle to ensure he could attend school and gave him some study materials also.

International Volunteer Program

During the year there have been some volunteers from Northern Ireland to visit the Learning Centre. Some have delivered English classes and other fun activities, some have focused on sustainable development and helped establish a small allotment to the side of the learning centre for growing fruit and veg.

These volunteers are teachers or have jobs which see them educating children from not only an academic perspective but also about wild life and life in the forest.

One of the volunteers, Liz, is a returning visitor to the centre after her daughter volunteered by delivering English classes during her gap year before starting university. The children advise that "She help us a lot by teaching us how to teach and speak English well. She has a good relationship with staff and students. We really appreciate her kindness that always supporting CYC from the beginning till now."

Finance

Cambodia Youth For Change is funded from individual donations primarily from donors resident in Northern Ireland. We have a Giving circle where people donate a regular amount on a monthly basis and we also host some fundraising events during each financial year to help fund the costs of the learning centre in terms of utilities and resources, and also the scholarship programmes and training and development of the Project Officer and assistant.

Financial Records of Cambodia Youth For Change for the period 1st August 2016 to 31st July 2017

Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st July 2017

	£	£	
Income			
Donations from Giving Circle & Fundraising Bank interest Total income	5,605 3	£5,608	
Expenditure			
Utilities Resources Scholarships Training & Development Bank charges Total expenditure	(396) (1,980) (2,415) (1,120) (8)	(<u>£5,919)</u>	
Deficit of Income over expenditure		(£311)	
Accumulated Fund Statement as at 31st July 2016		£	£
Current Assets			
Prepayments Cash @ Bank Total current assets		610 8,080	£8,690
Equities & Liabilities			
Accumulated fund @ 31st July 2016 Deficit from Income & Expenditure account Total Equities & Liabilities		9,001 (311)	(£8,690)
Expenditure based on rate of exchange of \$1.35 to £			

CAMBODIA YOUTH FOR CHANGE Registered Number NI613651 Micro-entity Balance Sheet as at 31 July 2017

	Notes	2017	2016
		£	£
Fixed Assets		-	-
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		8,080	8,334
		8,080	8,334
Prepayments and accrued income		610	667
Net current assets (liabilities)		8,690	9,001
Total assets less current liabilities		8,690	9,001
Total net assets (liabilities)		8,690	9,001
Reserves			
Income and expenditure account		8,690	9,001
Members' funds		8,690	9,001

- For the year ending 31 July 2017 the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.
- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.
- The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Approved by the Board on 22 April 2018 And signed on their behalf by: Stephanie McCoubrey, Director Jude McCann, Director

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Trustees:

Jude McCann - Director - Chairman

Stephanie McCoubrey - Director/Company Secretary/Treasurer

Sandra Moore - Director

Philip Cahill - Director

Judith Hutchinson - Director

Jessica Hutchinson - Director

Hugh McNally - Director

Appointment of Charity Trustees is by a minimum of two Directors, however all Directors are consulted to raise any reservations or dispute.

As Trustees, we confirm that we have complied with the duty to have regard to the guidance issued under section 4(b) of the Charities Act when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant. We have regard to Charity Commission NI public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

Stephanie McCoubrey As Director and Trustee of Cambodia Youth For Change 30 May 2018







