

# CHILD Sponsorship

"I expect to pass through this world but once; any good thing therefore that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any fellow creature, let me do it now; let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

# Sponsoring a child through Awareness Cambodia

Awareness Cambodia's child sponsors are individuals who have made the decision to invest in the life of a provincial child by providing financial support for their on-going care and education.

Through child sponsorship we can totally transform the lives of Cambodia's needy and vulnerable, helping create a brighter future for them and their community. **Education is at the heart of Awareness Cambodia's programs.** 

Our focus is the rural poor; families who cannot afford to give their children the important gift of education. By working closely with parent(s) and or extended family to provide scholarship opportunities extending right through to university studies, we set each young life up for this bright and productive future.

Each of our child sponsors partner with Awareness Cambodia to ensure provision of food, clothing, school uniforms and school fees, medical treatment, and a safe nurturing environment while students enjoy a private school education; this would be otherwise unthinkable for most of Cambodia's poor.





We also recognise that child sponsorship is a long-term financial commitment that people undertake and we appreciate that costs are an important consideration. For this reason, we have up to four sponsors for each child – up to two General sponsors (this sponsorship is used towards the everyday care and support of the child including meals, clothing and accommodation), plus one medical sponsor (supporting the best possible healthcare for the child) and one education sponsor (providing funding for on-going education). By having up to four sponsors, the costs are spread across several people who financially support the holistic care of the child. This makes sponsorship affordable for more people keen to make a real difference in the life of a child in our Child Development programs.

As a child sponsor you will receive:

- a photo of your sponsor child, together with a summary of their known personal history (as soon as possible)
- an annual update on your sponsor child their welfare, progress and achievements

Please be aware that no gifts of money can be sent to individual children. Letters can be sent to your sponsor child by sending them to the Awareness Cambodia office in Perth which will pass them on to the in-country team to deliver.

#### How much does it cost to sponsor a child through Awareness Cambodia?

AUD \$55 per child per month – General sponsorship (2x)
AUD \$55 per child per month – Health sponsorship
AUD \$55 per child per month – Education sponsorship



# **Sunshine House**

Sunshine House is a home dedicated to providing a safe and nurturing environment as they receive an education. Located in Kompong Speu (a rural village 80km from Phnom Penh), Sunshine House encompasses more than 25 buildings and is more a village than a house. Our youngest children begin their journeys to a brighter future with all the care and support they need in a family-like setting.



### House of Progress

House of Progress is where our young adults continue their upper high school education and begin to prepare for the move from rural Cambodia to the city where they will attend university or vocational training.



# **Graduation House**

Graduation House is a purpose-built residential complex located in Phnom Penh, providing our young adults with the opportunity to attend university or technical training.

Graduation House provides our students with greater freedom and independence, whilst within the supportive structure of Awareness Cambodia.

# General

As a General child sponsor you are helping to cover our day-to-day running expenses (electricity, carers and over 2200 meals per week) within our Child Development programs. As in many countries, the cost of living in Cambodia is steadily increasing, and your support enables us to continue to provide a high standard of care for each of our children.

# Health

Each Health sponsor contributes towards a child's healthcare costs. We have an onsite nurse who, in consultation with doctors and specialists in Phnom Penh, monitors our children's health (including medications and other treatments) and general wellbeing. Becoming a Health sponsor helps us improve the quality of life of the children in our care.

# Education

As an Education sponsor you assist in buying uniforms, books and other supplies, as well as contributing towards private school fees. Reliable education in Cambodian government schools can be a challenge and we made the decision to offer private school system to the rural poor, offering the best possible schooling and the opportunities that a good education will afford them throughout their lives. Education is a vital tool in helping to break the poverty cycle and your generous sponsorship will give a child an opportunity to fulfil their potential and live their dreams.







### A proven commitment

As a result of our comprehensive Child Development programs we have supported the education journeys of dozens of children and beamed with pride as our students have graduated as civil engineers, accountants and architects, earned economics degrees, diplomas in tourism and hospitality and taken up trades. Many of the children we took into Sunshine House in 2000 are now confident and capable adults, living in the community, married, having children of their own and taking their places in Cambodian society as the leaders of the future. Our child sponsors make the gift of education scholarships possible.

#### empowerment

#### opportunity

# education



Tourism and hospitality graduates from Western University



Economics & Science graduate from the Royal University of Law and Economics



Architecture graduate from Norton University

# How do I sign up to become a Child Sponsor?

## Sign up to Child Sponsorship today via the link below:

www.gdg.org.au/J515CSMP





# SPONSOR A CHILD TODAY!

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