



## **Teen Challenge Center**

Takeo Province



**Annual Report 2010**  
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**Goal:**

*To transform individual life of the student from drug addiction background through transitional residential care and reintegrate them back into the community.*

**Executive Summary:**

The Teen Challenge Center is located in Samrong District, Takeo province. It provides care, protection, and rehabilitation to children and adult male from drug addiction backgrounds. It helps the children and adult develop physically, spiritually, intellectually and socially to equip them to become responsible adults, be able to cope in mainstream society. The children and adults come from a variety of extremely addiction situations, which include using methamphetamine, ice-meth, heroin, glue and alcohol addictions. The children and adults come from different triangles such as; from Family, referred NGOs, local churches, Department of Social Affair. All children and adult in the Teen Challenge Center's care receive balanced nutritious meals and loving support from their teachers. The teachers are trained and encouraged to be loving and caring towards all the children and the adults in their long-term care. We network with organizations, local churches and Department of Social Affair that care for Cambodian children and adults who have been victim of drug and affected by drugs. These children and adult receive care in our Residential care and their families are encouraged to visit over their children and relatives in the program in order to restore relationship between them.

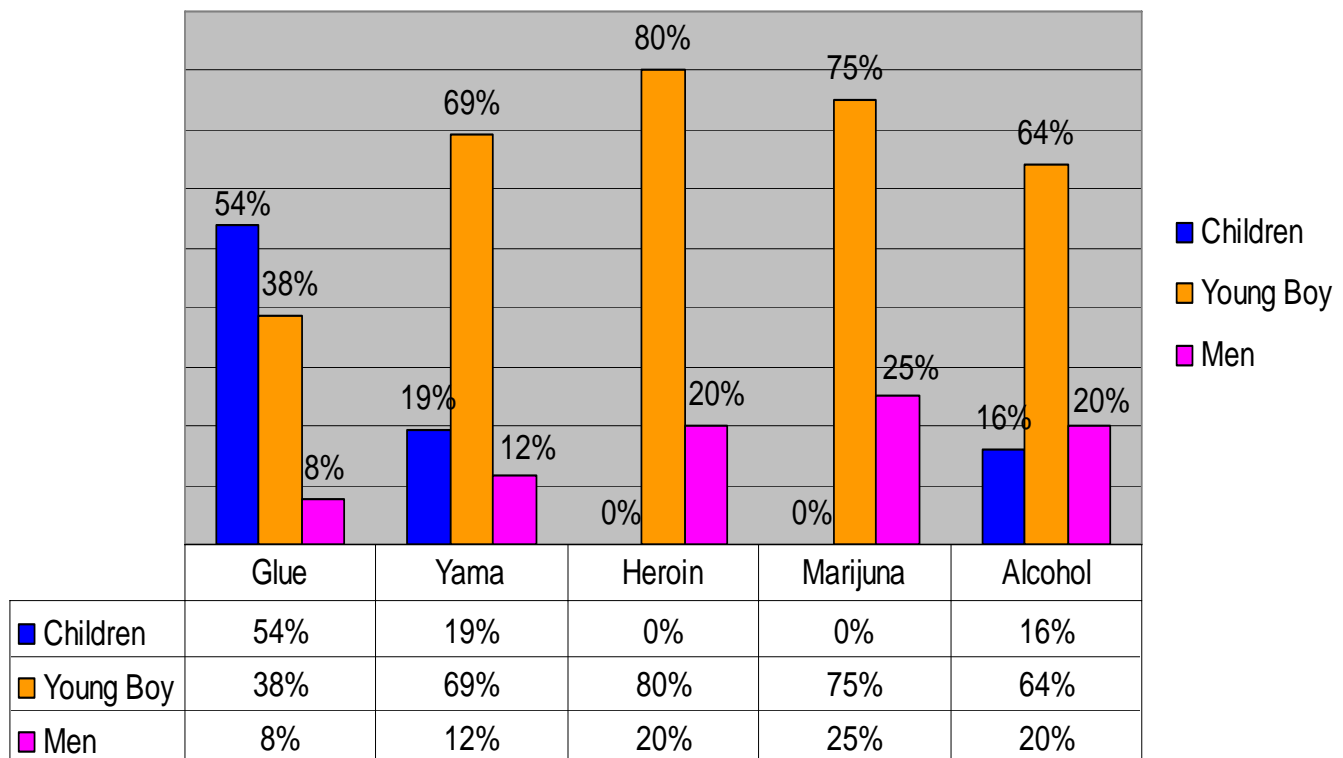
The Teen Challenge Center provides a residential care for street glue kids, young adults who have life-controlling problems; especially with drugs and alcohol problems. Teen Challenge of Cambodia offers a one-year residential program for street glue kids of adolescent and adult males. The program is designed to help them learn how to live drug-free lives. Teen Challenge offers a well-developed, multi-phased discipleship training program that includes Bible study, character development exercises, English classes, work assignments, vocational training, Individual counseling and group counseling therapy and chapel services. There is also opportunity for the residents to be involved in community outreach projects. We encourage the students who are in the program to practice the moral of biblical principle, when they do, their lives are transformed and they find true meaning and purpose and are on their way to becoming productive members of society.

## Statistic 2010

Students	Child	Young Boy	Men	Total
Number of students	11	25	12	50
Number of dropouts	1	5	0	6
Number of Reintegrated students into Church	0	1	0	1
Number of Reintegrated students to network partners	2	0	0	2
Number of Reintegrated students into family but involving in the church	5	8	2	15
Number of student volunteers	0	1	3	4
Number of Remaining students	4	11	7	22

Aged 8-15 Children  
Aged 16-25 Young Boy  
Aged 26-40+ Men

## Illicit Drug by various ages 2010



## **Objective One**

*Provide nutritious food to children and youth at the Teen Challenge Center*

### **Progress Toward Objective:**

- TCC provided daily nutritious food for all its beneficiaries who are living in the TC Center. The quality of life through healthy physical development is one of the key aspects of life. They need to be fed and grow up in a healthy environment.
- All students receive full medical assessment on admission to TC Center and ongoing medical care whenever is needed.



## **Objective Two**

*Deliver psycho-social support to all children and youth on character development curriculum through accountable group meetings*

### **Progress Toward Objective:**

#### **Activities were carried out during the reporting period**

- All students attended all character development class focusing on GSNC
- Group Assignments were appointed according to the course requirement
- All students are encouraged to attend the church service every Sunday evening with the Assemblies of God church nearby the Teen Challenge Center
- All students were encouraged to attend a monthly Day of Prayer and Fasting
- Conducted night devotional daily to reflect on each student and staff
- Conducted children class activities
- 433 sessions of individual counseling were delivered, and 34 sessions of accountable group meetings were conducted. Detailed case notes are recorded for each session. Counselors are trained in various therapy methods, such as sand tray therapy, art therapy, play therapy and group work.
- 10 students attended music class
- All students were appointed to visit family on an appointed time
- Work assignments are given to student including cleaning and washing the property
- Christmas celebration, Staff Service Award, student graduation were conducted
- Two parent workshops/Days were conducted





**Working on personal class exam**



**Group Study on Character development**



**Individual counseling**



**Therapy Accountable Group Meeting**



**Staff received service award from the Vice District Governor**



**Blessing Dance During Christmas Celebration**

### **Objective Three**

*Establish vocational skills training center for all the students who are in the program of Teen Challenge Center as well as a learning community*

### **Progress Toward Objective:**

#### **Activities were carried out during the reporting period**

- All the students attend computer class and English class from Monday to Friday
- All students were involving in raising and doing some agriculture within the Teen Challenge's property while they were in the program
- Students who are not able to read and write attending the Basic Khmer literature



**Students are learning English language**



**Students are learning Khmer literature**



**Students are participating in agricultural planting**



## **Objective Four**

*Strengthen the capacity building of staff to deliver training services*

### **Progress Toward Objective:**

#### **Number of In-House Training**

Weekly training on child care and team meeting is conducted with all care giving staff with an emphasis on practical application into daily life.

**Table 1: Staff Training**

Training	Name of Staff	Duration	Training Organization
Financial and Accounting course	Phon Phea	3-month	Student Resource Development Organization
Project Cycle Management	Hong Ing	1 year	Doorstep
ISAAC Conference	Koy Chhim	5 days	ISAAC/Malaysian Care
First Aid Training	All teachers	1 day	Medical student
Child Protection Policy	All staff	2 days	Phon Pheap
Team Building	All staff	1 day	Doorstep
Drug Training	All staff	3 days	Malaysian Care Team
Child Protection Policy	All staff	1 day	Chab Dai
Leadership Training	All staff	On going	Koy Chhim



**Staff are participating in counseling training**



**Staff are participating in team building**

## **Objective Five**

*Enhance the networking with local government authorities, related NGOs, local churches and its partners*

### **Progress Toward Deliverable:**

#### **Activities were carried out during the reporting period**

- TC Center registered with Chab Dai Coalition enabling us to network with other NGOs
- Participate in a National Committee of Prayer
- TC Cambodia attended various Christian networks such as; EFC Children Commission, Christian Leaders Addiction Network
- Served as National Committee member of Operation Christmas Child
- Served as National Committee member of Prison Fellowship Cambodia
- TC Center registered with Procom meeting of all NGOs and ministries in Takeo province



**Monthly Network Prayer Meeting**



**Campaign on International Against Drug**



**MOU Signed with Ministry of Social Affair**



**Serving as committee with Operation Christmas Child**



## **Deliverable Seven:**

*Building successful sustainable programs*

### **Progress Toward Deliverable:**

#### **Activities were carried out during the reporting period**

At the Teen Challenge Center, we believe that in order to sustain our program and to make long term impact to the many lives of children and young adults in Cambodia who were affected or victim of drug or any kind of addictions, we have to help ourselves both technically and financially. We strongly hope that we will be able to run this program nationally and this means that we are able to have self-reliant without any support from outside in the end. Therefore, we have created a few of our income generation activities within our program property. And hopefully, these activities will grow stronger and stronger. We also welcome those and particularly the business people, who really want to see the lives of the children and young adults to be free from any kind of bondages to partner with us in someway to empower this program for the glory of God. A few activities that were carried out at the moment are:

- Fish raising
- Growing and planting vegetables
- Raising chicken
- Growing rice
- We also plan to have 4 or 5 cows and pigs and running the bio gas kitchen in this year.



**Students are harvesting rice**



**Rice paddy is ready to be harvested**



**Student is watering morning glory plant**



**Planting of egg plants and tomatoes**



**Cow at the Teen Challenge**



**Chicken farm**



**Feeding fish**



**Rice crops at the Teen Challenge**



## **"Teen Challenge's reflection in relation to the Starfish Story"**

### **The Starfish Story**

Adapted from The Star Thrower, by Loren Eiseley

Once upon a time there was a wise man who used to go to the ocean to do his writing.

He had a habit of walking on the beach before he began his work.

One day he was walking along the shore. As he looked down the beach, he saw a human figure moving like a dancer. He smiled to himself to think of someone who would dance to the day. So he began to walk faster to catch up.

As he got closer, he saw that it was a young man and the young man wasn't dancing, but instead he was reaching down to the shore, picking up something and very gently throwing it into the ocean.

As he got closer he called out, "Good morning. What are you doing?"

The young man paused, looked up and replied, "Throwing starfish in the ocean."

"I guess I should have asked, why are you throwing starfish in the ocean?"

"The sun is up and the tide is going out. And if I don't throw them in they'll die."

"But, young man, don't you realize that there are miles and miles of beach and starfish all along it. You can't possibly make a difference!"

The young man listened politely. Then bent down, picked another starfish and threw it into the sea, past the breaking waves and said, "It made a difference for that one."

### ***Our statement***

*Our passion at the Teen Challenge of Cambodia, we are committed to strive to help our students to be reconciled, restored and rebuilt to the divine relationship and their earthly relationship back to their parents, friends, relatives and the community. We are doing this in reliance upon the power of the Holy Spirit and His everlasting love to them. We prayed to the Lord to compassionately transform each life of each student, one person at a time by the power of God, just as mentioned in the Starfish story above. One person converted will make a difference for the Kingdom of God on this earth and rejoicing in heaven.*



## Testimony of Long Sitha

My name is Long Sitha, I am 26 years old. I have two brothers and two sisters in my family, and I am the third. My parents are still alive and they both are small business owner.

My life was messed up with these earthly things. I stopped going to school at grade 7 and I started connecting myself with a band of gangs. I didn't obey my parents and I started stealing things at home to trade for drugs. My friends led me to different places in the city at night and we drank too heavy very often. We used all different kinds of drug including ice meth and heroin injection. My parents were very sad when they knew of their son was in the middle of a terrible life. They didn't have any solution for me.

As I kept connecting myself with these gangs, I have been used to be a drug dealer to school students and those who have needs for drug. I earned a lot of money through such the job. I stopped going back home and began living outside with my friends. There, I learnt many bad things and how to trap people into drug. As a drug dealer, I have to escape from the police. If I was arrested, I would be put in the jail. I began thinking of going back home and stopped selling drug, asked my parents to pardon me. Then I went back home and I was refused by my father, but my sister spoke on my behalf to the father to allow me back home, and he agreed.

The word of Teen Challenge was reached to my sister through a local church pastor where I lived. My sister shared this with my parents and they agreed to help me to Teen Challenge. I was brought to Teen Challenge's office for pre-counseling before I made a decision to enter the program of Teen Challenge. After a couple days, I decided to ask Teen Challenge for help and I was brought to Teen Challenge program.



At the Teen Challenge they counseled me, and help me to realize the dangerous path I was walking down, helped me to start taking responsibility for my life and find a good pathway to becoming a constructive member of society. They taught me all the different skills, so that I can help myself when I graduate from the program, and another important thing is that they introduced me to God, and it is God who changed me.

The more time I spent at Teen Challenge the stronger my faith in Jesus grew and now I have finished the program and I am studying with Project Future Organization on mechanic repair, and I am also a member of New Life Phnom Penh Thmei Church where I started learning more of English skills, computer skills and the bible. I want to become a great mechanic man, and teach other people how to do the same job I knew and generate an income for my future. *I want to thank Teen Challenge and all their partners for helping me get clean and for this new life I have. Thank you Teen Challenge!*

## Testimony of Noun Sophanith

My name is Noun Sophanith, I am 13 years old. I came from the slum area of Phnom Penh, I have five siblings and I am the third in my family. I am orphaned and currently living with my grandma and grandpa. Our family is so poor and because of that, I have no chance to go to school just like other kids do.



My father and mother have died when I was young. Life without parents just like a car without steer. I have to go out to the streets and be free and scavenging rubbish, shine shoes, perform other jobs as required of earning money for me. I met a lot of friends out there just the same age as mine. They introduced me to inhaling glue and I allowed that in my life. I thought it was feeling very happy inhaling glue.

After a little while, I was brought to a program of World Vision, Bamboo Shoot project. There, they fed me, schooling me, and teaching all the good ways to take.

It didn't take me so long to stay there and I ran back home and just going to the street again, doing whatever I am free to do.

Until December, 2009, I was helped by my former Bamboo Shoot project where I used to live with before, helping me to the Teen Challenge program. They thought that I am fit with this program.

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The more time I spent at Teen Challenge the stronger my faith in Jesus grew and now I am graduated from the program and sent to live with Hagar program. There, they promised me to school and my daily food. *I want to thank Teen Challenge and all their partners for helping me get clean and for this new life I have. Thank you Teen Challenge!*

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