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

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**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.
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.

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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