

New Life Foundation (NLF), Cambodia

Complementary Education (New Transformed Lives)

Funding Proposal
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I. Introduction

New Life Foundation (NLF) is a Christian not-for-profit organisation spearheading sustainable humanitarian work for the benefit of all in the community working hand-in-hand with the local church. NLF was formed in 1994.

New Life Foundation specializes in providing foundational opportunities for Cambodians that are catalysts for a great future for every individual and family, regardless of their background. These opportunities primarily consist of training in language & life-skills, livelihood and leadership skills.

New Life Foundation partners with Cambodia's Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports through several projects including our Language & Lifeskills, Leadership and Livelihood Training, our Children@Risk program and Patient Care Ministry. Over 20,000 people have been equipped through New Life Foundation's various initiatives since its inception in 1994.

II. The Vision & Goals

The vision is to help children to have a better life by providing additional / complementary education (which encourages them to stay at school) and to raise up future leaders for Cambodia¹.

The goals of the project are to -

- ✓ Help children be healthy in body, soul and spirit.
- ✓ Help children have a strong foundation in education.
- ✓ Help children have a brighter vision and positive view for their future.
- ✓ Help children encounter God and exposed to the Gospel in a real way.

III. Implementation Plan

The implementation plan to achieve the above vision & goals consists of 4 main streams –

- **Informal Education/Tuition/After School Program:** We provide an after-school program where we will teach our children English, Khmer (Cambodian) and Math weekly. We tutor them for 2 hours a day, 5 days a week. Our focus will be on children between grades 1-6. We use the same curriculum as are used in the Government Schools.

Depending on the on the local skills and resources available, we will attempt to provide additional lessons in life skills, character building

¹ We would be sharing the salvation message at appropriate times and in relevant ways throughout the program

and within an educational environment of recreation, play, games and the creative arts.

- **Nutrition:** We also look after the physical health of the children by providing a healthy meal on the day of the classes. We know the importance of good nutrition and how it impacts the development of the body but also the mind. It also helps their families save some money.
- **Teacher Training:** We train teachers about children protocol, child protection and how to disciple children. We aim to train the teachers well so that we can have a group of teachers that can minister to children. Teacher training sessions are conducted at least once a year.
- **Children Ministry:** For at least once a month, we have an outreach program involving our students in which we share the gospel through bible stories, worship music, skits, prayer and fellowship. Many of the young people have never heard the name of Jesus so we delight in the opportunity to share the love of God with each of them.

IV. Estimated Budget

This is a 3-year program to be rolled out per village / community².

The monthly costs consist of the following:

Activity	Monthly (USD\$)
1. Meals (40 Children, 5days/week)	400
2. Allowance (1 cook + 1 helper)	70
3. Allowance (2 teachers)	120
4. Monitoring & Evaluation	100
5. Central Administrative Expenses	70
Total (monthly)	760

The initial one-off capital³ and startup costs consists of the following:

Activity	One-off (USD\$)
1. School uniforms for children & Staff (where appropriate)	120
2. Teaching Resources (for example, The Reading Toolkit)	400

² NLF has a priority list of provincial churches that have already embarked on a pilot project and thus are poised and willing to implement this program in a sustained manner

³ Wherever possible, we will use existing infrastructure of the church's premises

3. Build Kitchen & Cookers	425
4. Tables, Chairs, Utensils, (e.g. Pots, Pans, Plates, Bowls, etc.)	200
5. Central Administrative Expenses	115
Total (one-off)	1260

The goal is that the project will be self-sustaining (i.e. all operational costs are covered) after a 3-year period. This implies that we will be encouraging the local church (via an “savings” budget), the local church members (via offerings) and parents (via a fee structure) to build a contribution pipeline towards the future running costs of the program. Monies being received in the first 3 years will be kept as savings and then used from Year 4 onwards when the project must become donor-independent.

V. Proposed Monitoring & Evaluation

It is essential that we monitor on a regular basis the progress and implementation of the program. This will consist of regular updates (via phone calls and occasional visits) from the teachers, pastor and volunteers on the ground. A quantitative evaluation survey⁴ will be used to map the progress and improvements made in the child’s development (physical, educational and spiritual).

VI. Conclusion

This 3-year project will comprise of a monthly cost of USD\$760 plus an additional one-off capital and start-up cost of USD\$1260. The financial goal is that the project will be self-sustaining (i.e. all operational costs are covered) from Year 4 onwards.

The above costings are **PER LOCATION/CENTRE**. NLF has already 9 centres and are seeking to start a further 2 for 2019. We are encouraging donors to commit to 3 years but if you are unable to do so, any amounts given will be saved until we have a sufficient amount to start a new centre.

New Life Foundation is seeking partners who will partner with us in having a long-term, multi-generational impact on hundreds of young people and families through this program.

Will you join us on this exciting journey?

⁴ This is presently being improved upon by the management team