

Letter from Cambodia

January 2024

Hello from all of us at Hope for Cambodian Children Foundation, Battambang

English Speaking Contest

In December 2023, our Community Education Program held its annual speaking contest and computer speed typing competition. The event was attended by 177 participants, including authorities, representatives of the Department of Education (DoE), teachers, students, and parents. The competition was a great success with participants showcasing their skills and talents in both speaking and typing.

The speaking contest was a platform for participants to express their thoughts and ideas on various topics. The participants were judged on their content, delivery, and overall presentation. In the end, the winners were selected based on their ability to engage the audience and convey their message effectively.

The speed typing competition was another highlight of the event. Participants were given a set of texts to type as quickly and accurately as possible. The competition was intense, with participants typing at lightning speeds. The winners were selected based on their speed and accuracy.

Overall, the event was a great success, with participants showcasing their skills and talents. The Community Education Program is committed to providing such opportunities to students and parents to help them develop their skills and talents. We hope that such events will continue to be organized in the future to help students and parents achieve their full potential.



English and Computer Class

In the early days of January 2024, the Community Education Program released the results of the final exams for the second term in 2023. The exam was taken by 302 students. According to the results, 74.50% of the students passed, 18.54% failed, and 6.95% withdrew from the exam.

The results of the exam were a mixed bag. While the passing percentage was high, the number of students who failed and withdrew from the exam was also significant. It is important to note that the exam results are not the only measure of a student's academic performance. There could be several reasons why a student might have failed or withdrawn from the exam. It could be due to personal reasons, lack of preparation, or other factors beyond our control.

Despite the challenges, the Community Education Program has been instrumental in providing quality education to students. The program has helped students from all walks of life to achieve their academic goals. The program has also been successful in creating a positive learning environment that encourages students to learn and grow.



Prevention Mother to Child Transmission Program

Every month, HOPE Community Centre welcomes the moms, dads and babies to come and get the milk formula. Currently there are 25 babies under this program. HOPE's nurse, Mr. Khen worked together with the Senior nurse from the Battambang Department of Health to monitor the baby's health, review their hygiene practices, and to announce to the moms and dads about the vaccination program and the services at the Community Health Centre.

Each month HOPE provides four cans of milk formula to each baby and gave some money for travel expenses to the families who are living far away from HOPE Community Centre because they don't have the ability to pay for their transportation.

Regularly HOPE holds training sessions for all moms and dads about "How to make Nutritious food for the baby". This training session was presented by the Senior Nurse from the Battambang Department of Health. This is, of course, very useful for all moms and dads because now they can feed their baby with healthy food choices.

Recently, HOPE Community Centre had signed a three-year Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Battambang Department of Health on Prevention Mother to Child Transmission HIV Program. HOPE maintains a good relationship with Battambang Department of Health and works with the beneficiaries to meet the regulation of the MoU.



Annual Report 2023 Presentation and Staff policy Refreshment

In early January, HOPE held a two-day presentation for all HOPE's staff to review the Annual Report 2023 and the Staff Policies. HOPE's director, Mr Sothoeurn THY, gave a welcome speech and opened the presentation.

The Annual Report Presentation was presented by four difference teams: Social Welfare team, Education team, Administration and Finance team and the Maintenance and Security team. Each team presented how the program goes for their division. Total expenditures for 2023 were discussed and the new plan for 2024 was discussed. The staff were very happy with the outcome of the discussions and presented lots of questions during the presentation.

























Refresher training covering our Staff Policy and Staff Code of Conduct was conducted by Sothoeurn our Director and Mrs Bunna from Social Welfare. These important documents are the backbone to HOPE's success and includes having a good place to work.

This refresher training involved all staff and it is their time to ask questions and clear up any uncertainties.

The Department of Labour is starting to have more involvement in how FNGO's like HOPE manage their workforce.

In fact, we are about to rename our Staff Policy and Staff Code of Conduct to HOPE's Internal Regulations. A request from with the Department of Labour currently nationalizing all FNGOs and NGOs. (Foreign Non-Government Organisations & Non-Government Organisations)

HOPE would like to thank all donors and sponsors to continue to support the vulnerable children in our community. Thank you so much and Happy New year.



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