Care, Connect, Change!

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MAXIMIZING resources for MAXIMIZED differences!

AT CTM, we consciously find ways to best use all available resources, making all the possible connections we can to add value to the communities we serve. In the last quarter, we engaged with students from two international schools — Harrow International School & KIS International School — to create a major facelift for Bahn Dek, the children's section of the Emergency Home for women, teens & children who are victims of abuse, rape, violence & abandonment.

The team from Harrow came first & on the first day, they bravely donned their gloves & got into the daunting task of cleaning an adjoining area to the children's center, cluttered with accumulated broken , old junk. With only 2 supervisors &30 children, there hasn't been any extra help available to do this . What was truly inspiring was that a few weeks after we did this, a visitor to the centre came & seeing this clean area, offered to put up a fence for a future setup, & while at it, also fixed/painted the wooden fencing for the home! One good deed leads to another!

The students also started working on wooden benches in the home, sanding & repainting them, The school also generously sponsored paint for a total overhaul of the Home's wooden ceiling beams, the pillars, doors and walls.

This job was undertaken by a team of seniors from KIS International School who came just weeks after their graduation . The KIS senior Art department students had raised some funds from the sale of their art projects which is annually donated to CTM's collaboration with Revive Ministry's work to homeschool children from the Pakistani asylum-seeker/refugee community. In order to meet the kids they've been supporting,, the teens decided to bond over this project to paint & upgrade Bahn Dek together !

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Join us to build a new kitchen for Bahn Dek! To donate, contact us at centhai@gmail.com

MORE Changes coming up in our efforts to improve Bahn Dek!

Pictures below show old kitchen counter, cupboards, sinks...

PAINTING UPGRADES

S HOME AND HEARTS!

A network of three communities – all working together in Love! Students often do community service as part of a school requirement, to get credits for a subject, or to add some good deeds to their portfolio, for their college applications..etc.. But recently, we found a rare breed – seven seniors from the KIS International School who got together right AFTER their graduation to plan an activity to help TWO needy communities! Taking up our suggestion to paint and upgrade BAHN DEK, the children's section of The Emergency Home, these terrific teens pitched in together and bought some paint and equipment for a day of painting with with a group of eight children from the community of Pakistani asylum-seekers. It was a thrill to see the Pakistani kids enjoying a whole different environment, learning to help others who are even more needy, whilst enjoying themselves. The teens, some of whom took ART as a major subject, were given a free hand to re-paint 10 pillars, doors, & a very large wall. We threw in a bench and some wooden tables that also needed an upgrade. CTM also had our two handymen assisting with painting the beams of the ceiling. This really was a massive effort involving a total of 17 people actively painting every corner of the activity/dining area of the Home. During the afternoon, the Pakistani kids went on to care and play with the little children in the playground. While they bonded initially with the KIS older teens, they now found themselves as the older ones bonding with these younger ones. It was really a three-in-one experience where everyone got along, without any issues with race, religion or age. These kids show us the way to a better world! At the end, these teens also presented a cheque, a love gift, which will go to CTM's project in partnering with Revive Ministry in their Pakistani homeschooling service for asylum-seekers and refugees. Thank you for making a difference!

Completed walls, doors and ceiling

Completed 10 pillars on pathway & inside.

Connecting to Care

With the help of contributions from individuals, & corporate partners, we have been able to build up a storage room full of clothes, toys, canned food, flour, books, shoes, sheets, & other supplies. Some folks like our friend, Carina (below) go the extra mile & actively helps us by collecting contributions from her network of family & friends over a few months, which she then delivers to our center!.! KIS International School has a couple of RED bins in the primary school lobby where families can donate goods for disadvantaged communities. Besides the communities we help in Bangkok, a good bulk of donated items goes to displaced Karen migrants in Mae Sot. Aaron Blue (above right) , director of the Charis Project, recently drove 7 hours down to Bangkok in his hardy pickup, which we fully loaded with 125 kilos of flour, 2 bicycles, almost 25 bags, boxes of clothes, sheets, blankets, toys, shoes, books,, These will be distributed to villages, a halfway house for kids, Feed My Lamb shelter & migrant communities served by the Charis team. WE are also very thankful for the chicken, oil, canned goods & pasta donated by corporate partners here in Bangkok. which goes to help Thanksgiving Home & CTM projects in the city .

In Appreciation

Being an essentially volunteer effort, we would not be able to do as much & also cover the basic operating costs of running projects, services & the center. To this end, we would like to thank the many friends & corporate partners who have so kindly supported us with their contributions.

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Central Thailand Mission

Connecting needs & resources

BACKGROUND & OBJECTIVES:
Central Thailand Mission (CTM) is a project under the Thai-registered Haven Foundation (under the Welfare Committee of the Interior Ministry of Thailand), which has affiliations in Australia and the UK. At present, Haven has 23 project partners all over Thailand in 10 provinces. CTM is also recognized & is one of the selected humanitarian aid projects that come under the American human service agency – Family Care Foundation – which is a non-profit, IRS-approved 501 (c)(3) public charity with 70 such special projects in 49 countries. Based in Bangkok for the last 20 years, CTM works to help the disadvantaged in many ways.

♥Being the bridge between people with the needs & those with the resources

Supply of basic essentials of food, water, clothes , school supplies

Initiating the sponsorship of major needs & projects especially self-sustaining programs

Providing opportunities & experiences to the disadvantaged

Providing assistance to international volunteers who want to give of their time, talents or resources to help others.

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