

Monthly Report for November

I. Highlights

- Advocacy walk
 - Chest Nut School (9-hour walk)
 - Charity Sabater (12-hour walk)
 - A group of three (9-hour and 12-hour walk) [information is not so clear]
- Mural Painting
 - There is no mural painting this month
- Visitors
 - (Please read the Cambodia visitor and volunteer record)
- Volunteers
 - Short term
 - IR Students
 - Charity Sabater
 - Foreign Long term
(Please read the foreign long term volunteer schedule)
 - Local Long Term
(Please read the local long term volunteer schedule)

Staff in charge of the report:

PANG SINA

Volunteer Coordinator

II. Challenges

- The challenges are included in each section below:

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III. Details of each activity

A. Advocacy Walk

1. Nine-Hour Walk

1.1. Chest Nut Secondary School

1.1.1. Activities

Advocacy Walk Activities

Group1	Group2	Group3
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Phy Sohon- In An- Vet Sengly	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Chin Chea- Chheang Phea- Gnem Touch	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Soklee- Yim Sophal- Pang Sina

Time: 7:00 to 7:20 Orientation by Mr. Phy Sophon at Family House with 30 Volunteers. (Includes breakfast)

Activities

Group1	Group2	Group3
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Psa Touch to KM6(Tuk Tuk)- KM6 to BLUM (Walk)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Compassion House to Blum(Walk)- Blum to KM6(Walk)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- KM6 to Psa Touch(Tuk Tuk)- Psa Touch to Compassion

- Blum to Compassion House(Walk) - Compassion House to Office (Tuk Tuk)	- KM6 to Psa Touch(Tuk Tuk) - Psa Touch to Office (Walk)	House(Tuk Tuk) - Compassion House to Blum (Walk) - Blum to Office (Walk)
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12:00 to 13:30 at Sorya Super Market

Group1	Group2	Group3
- Wat Phnom to Kandal Market (Tuk Tuk) - Kandal Market to Building (Tuk Tuk) - Building to Koh Pech(Tuk Tuk) - Koh Pech to River Front (Tuk Tuk)	- Psa Kandal to Wat Phnom(Tuk Tuk) - Wat Phnom to Koh Pech(Tuk Tuk) - Koh Pech to Building(Tuk Tuk) - Building to River Front(Tuk Tuk)	- Building to Koh Pech(Tuk Tuk) - Koh Pech to Psa Kandal(Tuk Tuk) - Psa Kandal to Wat Phnom(Tuk Tuk) - Wat Phnom to River Front(Tuk Tuk)

5:00 Tuk Tuk takes the volunteers to the hotel.

1.1.2. Participants

No	Name	Sex	Email	Signature
1	M.L.	M		
2	T.R.	M		
3	M.F.	M		
4	D.Z.	M		
5	F.Z.	M		
6	S	M		
7	S.K.	M		
8	J.S.	M		
9	D.	M		
10	N.A.	M		
11	S.	M		
12	W.	M		
13	G.	M		
14	T.Y.	F		
15	D.	M		
16	C.Y.	M		
17	S	F		
18	V	F		
19	R	F		
20	P.	F		
21	L.X.	F		
22	A	M		
23	D	M		
24	D.	F		

25	K.	F		
26	M.	F		
27	M.	M		
28	K.	F		
29	C.	M		
30	R.	M		
31	J.	F		

1.1.3. Guides

No	Name	Sex	Position	Signature
1	Chheng Phea	M	Senior Assistant	
2	Yim Sophal	M	Admin Officer	
3	In An	M	Casefile Coordinator	
4	Vet Sengly	M	Education Assistant	
5	Gnem Touch	M	Education Assistant	
6	Pang Sina	M	Volunteer Coordinator	
7	Khin Pheakdey	F	Site Manager	
8	Phy Sophon	M	Executive Director	
9	Chin Chea	M	Social Worker	
10	Un Soklee	F	Freelance Guide	
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1.1.4. Challenges

The walk was too tiring and long. They ...

- kept complaining that the walk was too long
- grumbled that the communities were dirty
- demanded to stop earlier
- told their teacher to take more tuk tuk

The behavior of those kids was intolerable

- They didn't respect our people
- Ill behavior
- They showed no interest in what we were trying to explain

The number was too big

- The group was very crowded
- But we could deal with them

The walk is during Water Festival

- Some activities were skipped because of the large number of people.

The wrong schedule

- The volunteers/visitors got the wrong schedule thus having to make changes to the rest of the activities after 3.50 pm
- This made it hard for the organizer and relevant people to manage and adapt to the real situation.

2. Twelve-Hour Walk

2.1. Charity Sabater

2.1.1. Activities

2.1.2. Challenges

(There is no information available since it was led by Soklee)

2.2. 12-hour walk

2.2.1. Activities

2.2.2. Challenges

(There is no information available since it was led by Soklee)

4. Plan for next month

- Please refer to the Cambodia visitor and volunteer schedule.

B. Volunteers

1. Short Term Volunteer

1.1. Local Volunteers

No short term local volunteers

1.2. Foreign Volunteers

1.2.1. Training by Charity Sabater

a. Participants

- Mr. Phy Sophon, executive director
- Mr. In Ann, casefile coordinator
- Mr. Net Virak, social work director
- Ms. Khek Sinoy, mirco-business coordinator
- Mr. Chun Srun, education director
- Mr. Ngem Touch, education assistant
- Mr. Vet Sengly, education assistant
- Mr. Chun Chea, social worker
- Ms. Sokhim, social worker

b. Objective

- At the end of the training, the participants will be able to answer the visitors' questions effectively.

c. Content

- How to respond to visitors/volunteers' questions
- How to communicate with visitors/volunteers

d. Method of training

- Not much group or peer discussion but a whole class discussion
- No materials were provided
- Training is based on trainer's one-day experience in advocacy walk

e. Interesting

- The trainers focus more on how to effectively answer the questions which most of our guides always fail to perform well.
- The whole group was enthusiastic to share their experiences and skills.
- The discussion provided a lot of good points on how to improve the walk.

f. Comments

- Similar to the previous one, this trainer took only a piece of paper to the training center
- There were no well-designed materials or set of lessons provided.
- They should have had a better agenda, instead of sending sentences through mail
- They [staff] usually complained to me as I didn't tell them what they were going to learn.

1.3. RI Students

1.3.1. Community Survey

Activities

- The students were divided into two groups of 12 each.
- Three groups were assigned to conduct the survey in each community.
- The communities that we conducted the survey included Phsa Touch, KM6, Compassion House and Blum
- Every group was accompanied by our local volunteer translator.
- In each community two staff members were assigned to monitor that everything operated smoothly and that the quality of the survey could be ensured.

Planned Activities

When: 21st to 25th November 2011

Working Hours:

Morning: 8.00am to 12.00 pm (start at 7.00 am)

Afternoon: 2.00pm to 5.00 pm

Where: Riverkids Communities

1. Phsa Touch
2. KM6
3. Blum
4. Compassion

ACTIVITIES

No	Description	Date	Person in Charge	Comment
1	Inform the local community about the survey	16-18/11/2011	Mr. Phy Sophon and Chea	
2	Train local volunteers	17-18/11/2011	Mr. Sina and Ms. Pheakdey	
3	Discuss the plan with the volunteers	20/11/2011	Mr. Sina and Mr. Sophon	- Location: Family House - At 4.00 pm

3	Buy the gift for the interviewees and water for the staff	17-18/11/2011	Ms. Pheakdey and her team	
5	Manage the gift when giving to volunteers	21-25/11/2011	Ms. Rachana and her team	
6	Group 1, 2 and 3 interview families in Phsa Touch	21-25/11/2011	6 volunteers, and 3 interpreters, coordinated by Ms. Davan and Sokhim	- Interview at least 8 families a day
7	Group 4, 5 and 6 interview families in KM6	21-25/11/2011	6 volunteers, and 3 interpreters, coordinated by Mr. Chea and Mr. An	- Interview at least 8 families a day
8	Group 7, 8 and 9 interview families in Blum	21-25/11/2011	6 volunteers, and 3 interpreters, coordinated by Mr. Touch, Savada, and Dorn (stand by)	- Interview at least 8 families a day
9	Group 10, 11 and 12 interview families in Compassion House	21-25/11/2011	6 volunteers, and 3 interpreters, coordinated by Mr. Virak and Theany	- Interview at least 8 families a day
10	Manage interpreting volunteers' attendance and their basic allowance	21-25/11/2011	Ms. Rachana and her team	
11	Monitor and provide assistance to the groups in all communities	21-25/11/2011	Mr. Sina and Mr. Sophon	
12	Provide first aid	21-25/11/2011	Ms. Sakona and her team	

II. Contactlist of Volunteers

No	Name	Sex	Shift	Contact	Group
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12	Chea Kimhor	M	Full	016 800 140/cheakimhor@gmail.com	12

III. Contact List of Staff Involved

No	Name	Sex	Position	Contact
1	Pang Sina	M	Volunteer Coordinator	17539693
2	Chin Chea	M	Social Worker	92785708
3	Chum Chandorn	M	Maintenance Manager	85 781958
4	In An	M	Case file coordinator	90426488
5	Lim Theany	M	Social coordinator	11208387
6	Mel Sakona	F	Nurse	12556358
7	Meth Savda	M	Administrator of Community Loan	017239643
8	Mr. Phy Sophon	M	Executive Director	12933539
9	Ms. Khin Pheakdey	F	Site Manager	012 667927
10	Net Virak	M	Director of Social Worker	012 534948
11	Gnem Touch	M	Education Assistant	092 651521
12	Srun Sokhim	F	Social Worker	12534979
13	Try Davan	F	Social Worker	97680004
14	Art Chey Rachana	F	Finance Assistant	012842655

Note:

Similar to last year, the volunteers (24 in total) will be divided into 12 groups and each group consists of two volunteers and an interpreter. In order to make sure the survey is conducted smoothly, we assign two of our staff in each department to help the volunteers in each community. Their responsibilities include (i) orienting the groups about the community they will be conducting the survey, (ii) monitoring the groups in the community and (iii) reporting emergent cases to volunteer coordinator and executive director, who will work closely with the teachers supervising the volunteers to monitor and ensure the smoothness of the whole survey. The total number of families we plan to interview are 500 families, and each group is required to interview at least 8 families a day. All relevant people are required to meet on Monday/21st/Dec/2011 at Riverkids Main Center (Family House) at 8.30 am.

Challenges

- Local volunteers lack the skills in translating and had no prior experience of interpreting during the survey
- The foreign volunteers were not well trained on the survey.
- They did not know how to behave before, during and after the survey.
- Some of our staff did not fully understand what was the survey, its purpose and how to conduct.
- Large number of survey copies were unused.

1.3.2. Classroom Teaching

- Activities

- The students were divided into six groups
- Each group was accompanied by a translator, most of whom were our long term local volunteers

- The classes include: one in Families House, three at Central office, one in Blum and another one in KM6.
- They teach both morning and afternoon

Challenges

- Our students were not easy to control.
- Singaporean students lack experience in teaching before.
- Our local translators were not good enough to make the class more interesting.

Comments

- They have no experience but they were well prepared
- Their teaching was for a short period but they made our kids happy who would remember the teachers for life

1.3.3. Classroom Decoration

Number of Classes

- Three classes were decorated – two English classes, which are on the top of the central office and a grade class, which is located on the ground floor of the second building of the central office.

Purpose

- The classes were decorated to attract students.
- The classes were decorated to make students feel that their class is their home and to make them comfortable.

What is it like?

- The decision on how to decorate was delegated to RI students.
- They folded the papers in the form of flowers, boat, and other animals and hung them on the ceiling of the room.

1.3.4. Science Fair Organized By RI: On 03/12/2011

I. Schedule of the Activities

A. Morning Session

- 8.00 am – 8.30 am : Participants arrive at the site
 - 8.30 am – 11.30 am : Science fair (for more information read SectionIII, subsection C)
 - 11.30 am – 11. 35 am : Closing remark by Mr. Phy Sophon, Executive Director
 - 11.35 am – 12.00 pm : Dance performance by RI students
- (Note: snack will be provided between 9.00 am and 10.00 am)

B. Afternoon Session

- 1.30 pm – 2.00 pm : Participants arrive
 - 2.00 pm – 4.30 pm : Science Fair (for more information read SectionIII, subsection C)
 - 4.30 pm – 4. 35 pm : Closing remark by Mr. Phy Sophon, Executive Director
 - 4.35 pm – 5.00 pm : Dance performance by RI students
- (Note: snack will be provided somewhere between 3.00 pm and 4.00 pm)

II. People involved

A. RI Team

- Two Teachers: Mr. Eddies and Ms. Astee
- Twenty four students:
 - Booth1: S C., K. T. , L.
 - Booth2: E. , M.C., M.
 - Booth3: A. , P. J., M.

- Booth4: N., S. S. , F.
- Booth5: A. , D. , N.
- Booth6: T. P. , S. Q. , S. T.
- Booth7: S. , S. , L.
- Booth8: C. , S. , K.

B. Children from three projects – Alexandra, Blum and KM6

The total number of children is 239. However, since there is limited space, the science fair is held in two sessions – morning and afternoon session. In the morning there will be 129 students in total, and in the afternoon, there will be 162 children in total. The following is the number of students who are expected to attend the program.

- Alexandra 162 (100 in the morning and 62 in the afternoon)
- Blum 38 (17 in the morning and 21 in the afternoon)
- KM6 39 (12 in the morning and 27 in the afternoon)

(Note: the children in compassion house will not be invited due to limited resources. In addition, they are not involved in the classroom teaching)

C. Parents

The parents of children from the above mentioned projects will be invited by our social workers. Their presence is very important since it helps encourage them to support their students to go to school. They realize that their children change when they involve with Riverkids. (Social department is responsible for inviting the parents: morning 25 and afternoon 25)

D. Staff Involved

Education

- Kindergarten Teachers (both morning and afternoon)
- Grade class Teachers (only in the morning)
- Kindergarten Teachers assistant
- Education staff: Mr. Seangly, Touch and. Srun

Volunteer Department

- Mr. PANG Sina, volunteer coordinator
- Volunteers: Ms. Borey, Mr. Veasna, Mr. Sopheak, Mr. Lyheng, Mr. Sangvat, Ms. Vina, Mr. Sothearoth (only morning)
- Interpreting volunteers (there might be some of them)

Site manager

- Ms. Pheakdey,
- Her team

Nurse Community:

- Ms. Sakona, community nurse

Social workers:

- Mr. Nhek Virak, social work director
- His Team

Casefile coordinator:

- Mr. In Ann, casefile coordinator

Management Team:

- Mr. Phy Sophon, executive director
- His team

Micro-business

- Ms. Sinoy, micro-business coordinator
- Her team

III. Child and Activity Management

A. Collecting the kids from each project

Project	Description	Person in charge	Transport
Alex	Collect the kids at FM and Office	Mr. Seangly	N/A
Blum	Collect the kids at Blum	Mr. Touch	N/A
KM6	Collect the kids at KM6	Mr. Srun	a. One Tuk Tuk in the Morning b. Three Tuk Tuks in the afternoon

B. Managing the kids

Shift	Managing the kids	Person In charge
Morning	Families House	Ms. Sinoun and Thida
	Office (grade class)	House Mother, Ms. Mom, Sangvat, Lyheng and Sopheak and Borrey
	Blum	House Mother and Ms. Vina
	KM6	House Mother, Assistant, Teacher and Veasna
Afternoon	Families House (kindergarten)	Ms. Ratha, Srey Pov and Thida
	Office (grade class)	House Mother, Ms. Mom, Sangvat, Lyheng and Sopheak and Borrey
	Blum	House Mother and Ms. Vina
	KM6	House Mother, and Veasna

C. Activities during the Science Fair

No	Booth	Group Members	Coordinator
1	Booth1: Mosaic Painting	Samantha C., Khai Terng, Lingyi	Mr. Sangvat
2	Booth2: The Ballon Boing Boing Boo Boo Booth	Elyssa, Ma Chang, Mathisas	Mr. Sovanny
3	Booth3: Fishing with Magnets	Adalie, Pao Jung, Maggie	Mr. Veasna
4	Booth4: Them Flying Carpet & Seeing is Believing?	Nanthini, Shaw Shiuan, Fangling	Mr. Sopheak
5	Booth5: Fun Freaky Friction	Amanda, Daniel, Natasha	Mr. Vina
6	Booth6: Colour Wheel & Slinky	Tian Pei, Shi Qi, Sam Tan	Ms. Borrey
7	Booth7: Chromatorgraphy Magic	Shaun, Sabrina, Luxna	Mr. Phea
8	Booth8: Henna	Chinna, Samyuktha, Kelson	Mr. Ann

9	Interpreting the event	Eddies and Astee	Mr. Sina
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Challenges

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B. Long Term Volunteers

1. Local Volunteers

1.1. Leave

1.2. Start

(Please read local volunteer schedule)

2. Foreign Volunteers

2.1. Leave

2.2. Start

(Please read the foreign volunteer schedule)

D. Visitors

1. Local Visitors

2. Foreign Visitors

(please read the visitor and volunteer record)