



## Completion Report

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Reporting Period: January to June 2017

### Children at risk nutritional food program

**Budget:** \$55,230 fully funded.

**Update:**

This project supports several organisations working with children at extreme risk, supplying them with nutrient-enriched food. By improving their nutrition, the health of the children has improved, and our implementing partners are able to take their scarce resources and use it for further support for the children, or to provide them with other needed items. We have funded this project for several years, and have seen a dramatic change in the children over this time.

Through our implementing partner, these organisations have fed hundreds of children each week. Many of these children receive a soy drink and corn snack every day. One of these organisations has been working with pregnant women, providing pre-post-natal care as well as support groups and home visits. Dana (name changed), a woman in the program, expressed her thanks after her birth:



Children receive medical care in a tuk-tuk



*"I didn't know much about pregnancy and birth. I didn't understand about my health or the importance of health for my unborn child. Since I joined the program, I have been encouraged and advised by the team to go to the health centre for pregnancy check-ups. I had a safe birth two months ago and we are both healthy. Thank you for supporting me during the birth of my first child."*

Part of this difference is directly due to our partner's feeding program. With continued financial support, they have been able to increase the amount of soy milk and protein snacks they provide as they scale up the project. Because of the regular soy milk and snacks the children have gained weight, have better immune systems to help them fight disease and infections and are much more likely to be at the right height for their age. The children are much more attentive and able to learn. The families manage to save precious money on medication they no longer need.

There are so many street children in Phnom Penh who are vulnerable to trafficking and sexual exploitation. Our local partners look after hundreds of these children, providing safe places to play and learn. This program has provided these children with enriched food sources for proper development. This program also provides work for 40+ local people who receive training in running a production facility.

Thank you for making this project possible. Your donation has improved the lives of so many children, their families and staff.