QUARTERLY IMPACT REPORT
Quarterly Impact Report provides details and statistics of beneficiaries and their families for the quarter period.
1 January to 31 March 2015

NUMBERS THIS QUARTER
TOTAL NUMBER OF GIRLS ENROLLED THIS QUARTER
74

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- 16 live with mother
- 1 lives with father
- 1 lives with an older sibling
- 7 live with aunts and uncles
- 15 live with grandparents
- 3 are living within family violence
- 2 are living with parental alcohol abuse

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- 60 are in primary school
- 9 are in secondary school (grades 7-9)
- 2 are in high school (grades 10-12)

NUMBERS TOTAL
NUMBER OF VILLAGES
21

- 20 Schools
- 1,874 Library Books
- 108 Water Filters
- 3 Houses Built

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334

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- 10 have parents who have gone to Thailand in search of work
REACHING NEW FAMILIES

» 2 girls who had both dropped out of school.
» A 10 year old girl who has 8 siblings, 3 who never went to school, and 3 who dropped out.
» Another 10 year old girl who has 9 older siblings, not one of which completed primary school.
» A girl who has 13 siblings, some of whom never went to school at all, and of those who did none of which made it to grade 6.
» A mother who was just 12 when the war hit in 1975 and she had her first baby! She had 13 children, but 2 died. 4 children never went to school, 3 children completed a little bit of school and we’re going to help her last 4 children complete school.

NEW ENROLMENTS

VICHICA is 11 years old but only in grade 3. She is living with her grandmother who is 61 years old and tries to earn money by working in the fields, so Vichika has to take her young brother into class with her. With the support of Free To Shine the grandmother does not have to go to the fields as often and Vichika can go to school and concentrate on her education.

THEK was in Year 8 until she stopped school two months ago. Her mother passed away 6 years ago and her father has left and remarried. She is 17 years old and lives with her older brother. Her brother asked her to stop school due to his low wage. Thek loved school and wants to continue her education. With support from Free To Shine Thek has returned to school.

CHANNUTH is 8 years old, studying in grade 4, and loves her study. Her family home was recently damaged in a storm and had to be repaired. Her parents loaned money to repair their home, and then to finance transport to Thailand in search of work to repay the loan. Channuth’s parents are now working in Thailand and Channuth is living with her aunt. Enrolling Channuth on our program has decreased the family’s expenses so her parents have sent their five year old back from Thailand so she too can begin school.

VICHICA is 6 years old, studying in grade 1 and living with grandparents, aunts and uncles. Her parents left when she was three months old. They left a loan outstanding, which Vichika’s grandparents have had to repay. They had to sell their land to do this. They work hard as farmers to support the family. They struggle. They had been thinking of putting Vichika in an orphanage. Now we’ve enrolled her on our program she will continue her education and continue living with her family.

CHUM is 15 years old and lives with her mother and 3 siblings. Chum had dropped out from school two weeks before we found her. Prior to that she had attended every day. She had decided to leave to care for her younger siblings while her mother is at work. We have helped Chum return to school.

7 girls who have mums who work in massage parlors and don’t come home until the next day – they are possibly sex workers.

A 6 year old girl whose mum was raped by a man who threatened to kill her if she told anybody. When the baby was born the man was hanging around the village so the mum fled leaving baby in the care of Grandma. Grandma has kept her safe but the man continues to watch the house, so grandma is worried. We will now work with grandma, the school and the village to keep her safe.
We have recently purchased 700 new books for our mobile library so we decided to have a book party to celebrate! The girls on our program brought their brothers and sisters and friends. The children chose books for our team to read to them, and then they talked about the characters and the plot. They chose books to read to each other, and of course books to take home. The director from the local school along with our team spoke to the children about the importance of reading and taking care of books, “The more you read, the more you know” we reminded. As they thanked us, most added, “I love reading books.” Then, as with every celebration in Cambodia, there was sticky rice cake and fruit and games.

Sovanara works really hard. Last month she came 2nd in her class, so she thought to herself, “I wonder, if I work really, really, really hard can I get number 1 next month?” And so she studied even harder. She continued helping at home by cooking rice, cleaning dishes, doing the washing up and cleaning the house every day but she also studied EVEN harder. She wanted to know, could she do it? And she did it - she got her number 1.

We’re so proud of her! Only grade 7 herself, Chovvy asked us for a whiteboard and marker so she could start teaching younger children Khmer Literacy and basic English. She has set up evening classes and already has 10 students! She is really quite remarkable. She’s had a tough year since losing her father in a road accident, yet she rarely let’s it get her down. She just got 90 out of 100 in a maths test.

We met Ley 18 months ago. Her brothers had dropped out of school in grades 7 and 8 because they had no money and no bike to get to school. Her parents tried really, really hard to keep her in school, though it was incredibly difficult as school got more and more expensive the higher she got. She was in grade 11 when we met her and they were really struggling to pay for her classes and repair her bike punctures. She’d made it so far and didn’t want to drop out. We had to help her finish! She is our first girl to go onto university!! She is studying an Associate Degree in Law. We pay her university tuition fees and she has a job as a cook’s helper to fund her accommodation and food.