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What a difference your donation makes!

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\$50 enables a woman to start a small business
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friendship with CAMBODIA 2008 Annual Report

Mission

Friendship with Cambodia responds to the suffering in Cambodia by providing humanitarian aid that empowers people to help themselves.

Our wish is to live from our hearts, cultivate compassion, patience and tolerance, embody peace, act with kindness, work together and serve those in need.

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What's New in 2008

Friendship with Cambodia took a giant leap forward in our ability to help more people when we received a **\$70,000 grant from the Fund for Women**. It allowed us to step up our efforts to help women and girls who were trafficked or at risk for being trafficked, empower women living in extreme poverty in rural areas through micro-credit and self-help groups, and help women with AIDS living in unbearable slum conditions.

Since Friendship with Cambodia responds where the suffering is greatest, we are now **putting more resources toward stopping the trafficking of women and children**. One out of ten girls is sold into prostitution in Cambodia.

We are funding national radio talk shows in Cambodia and we are bringing education campaigns to remote rural villages in order to bring attention to this horrific problem. Both campaigns are using the arts—*theatre, dance, and music* to draw an audience to hear this important message.

Another new program in 2008, thanks to one man—Bob Lee, is **helping 47 orphaned children** from a formerly run-down government orphanage in Siem Reap. Bob is raising funds for Happy Family Orphanage to provide the older children with a university education or vocational training, so they can have successful lives.



What's Coming in 2009 and Beyond

In 2008 we laid the groundwork to start leading trips to Cambodia, so you can visit our projects, meet local people, and see how a small amount of money can turn someone's life around. It's a unique, unforgettable, and wonderful experience. The next trip is scheduled for January 26 to February 6, 2010. Please join us.

Watch for our forthcoming book on Socially Responsible Tourism in Cambodia which gives visitors resources and tips on how to use their tourist dollars to help local people.

2008 Program Highlights

- Funded 1,235 women in self-help groups, micro-credit, and savings programs, and trained 29 women in community leadership.
- Sponsored 99 secondary school and 11 university students from rural poverty backgrounds. Funded student clubs and a school library.
- Reached 7,000 remote villagers with a message on sex-trafficking prevention.
- Provided 47 seed grants to poor rural families for house construction, cows, motorcycles, fishing boats, and vegetable gardens.
- Helped 19 women with AIDS and 10 landmine survivors to start small businesses. Employed the equivalent of 21 disabled fair-trade craft producers.
- Provided shelter and assistance to 57 street children and orphans.

Creating a Better Future for Cambodia

Education is essential for Cambodians to help themselves. We are sponsoring 110 children in school. In 2008, eleven graduated from high school and to our surprise ALL of them went on to university. These are children who grew up in remote rural villages and lived in extreme poverty. They didn't always have enough food to eat and slept in thatch huts that leaked when it rained. They persevered with their studies in spite of the difficulties in their lives. We are so proud of them. They are shining examples of success in their home villages, where no one has a university education.

2008 Financials

INCOME

Donations	73,339
Grants	76,484
Fair-Trade Craft Sales	18,130
Events	13,669
Other	5,765

Total Income **187,387**

EXPENSE

Programs to Help Cambodia	159,080	87%
Raising Funds	16,457	9%
Administrative	7,314	4%

Total Expense **182,851**