



### Mission Statement

**Enabling the Community to become Sustainable through Education, Family Support and Health Care.**

### Vision

In providing opportunities to learn vocational, craft and language skills families will increase their ability to earn an income or run a business, enabling them to become self sufficient. Grace House Community Centre intends to achieve this by supporting families while learning new skills and setting up new business. Offering access to health care, sanitation, clean water, dry homes and micro loans. Educating the children in English Language and ensuring they receive a state education.

### About

Grace House Community Centre (GHCC) is a national Cambodian NGO which relies on grants and donations. No funding is received from the Cambodian government. GHCC investigates sustainable and diverse income sources to enable the fulfillment of its aims and objectives. GHCC was established by the UK charity Globalteer in 2008 and became a Cambodian NGO in 2009. It is managed by a governing committee consisting of 3 local members and 3 English members.



4TH BIRTHDAY PARTY



SHADOW PUPPET SHOW



UNDER 12 CHAMPIONS

# PHOTOS FROM THIS YEAR



2012 HAS BEEN A PRODUCTIVE YEAR FOR GRACE HOUSE COMMUNITY CENTRE WITH NEW INITIATIVES AIMED AT MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE.

# EDUCATION PROGRAM

English is the key to the future in Cambodia with many businesses demanding a degree of fluency. GHCC continued to provide free English lessons to 230 students a day. The program provided structured English and a general education topic aimed at increasing the children's understanding of the world around them. A new scheme of work was introduced across the younger classes. Computer skills, art, music, drama and sport supplemented these lessons.

A new classroom replaced the bamboo hut which was one of the first buildings. This provided the Buffalo and Crocodile class with more space.

At GHCC we have endeavored to ensure the children are healthy and attend state education. Our program included hygiene and health education, with a free lunch for the children who were failing to thrive.

Bikes, school uniforms, school supplies and financial assistance have ensured the poorest families sent their children to school. Thanks to donors 10 students were sponsored to attend university courses, many working part time to support their families while studying.

## NEW ENGLISH BOOKS



## EDUCATION



HYGIENE



BIKES FOR SCHOOL



NEW CLASSROOM



UNIVERSITY SPONSORSHIP



ENGLISH LANGUAGE

## New Initiatives - Meeting Community Needs

Pro Juventue II (Holland) kindly donated the funds to start 2 new projects:- The Day Centre for Children with Special Needs and the Youth Club

### Day Centre for Children with Special Needs

Children with Special Needs are often hidden away in Cambodian society, GHCC family surveys identified the need for an education service for these children. Specialist volunteers trained staff and advised on equipment. The Day Centre had 6 children enjoying 3 sessions a week, with an additional 2 sessions on life skills offered to the teenage girls

### Youth Club

After sunset at 6.00 pm there are very few activities available in the villages for young people. The activities which do take place often involve gambling, drugs and alcohol. Establishing the Youth Club has provided a safe environment for young people to meet, enjoy speakers, music, films, dance and games. The Youth Club participated in the Angkor Bike Ride, an annual fundraising event.

### Meals on Wheels

GHCC became aware of several older people who were not eating proper meals as their restricted mobility was preventing them walking to the market. Very few people in rural Cambodia have a fridge so food needs to be purchased daily.

Our answer to this problem was "Meals on Wheels", our cooks already prepared meals for the children and staff so 3 extra was no problem. The recipients appreciate someone saying "Soksabuy" (how are you) and have gained weight.



## YOUTH CLUB

THE YOUTH CLUB COMMENCED IN JANUARY 2012. IT PROVIDES A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO EXPLORE ISSUES, HAVE FUN AND LEARN ABOUT THEMSELVES.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES TALKS ON HEALTH, ROAD SAFETY AND FINANCIAL LITERACY. MIXED WITH MUSIC AND FILM NIGHTS. THE PHOTO SHOWS TEACHERS PRACTICING TRUST BUILDING GAMES.



## SPECIAL NEEDS DAY CENTRE

SIX CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS STARTED TO ATTEND THE DAY CENTRE IN JANUARY.

THEY ENJOY ACTIVITIES ADAPTED TO MEET THEIR VARIOUS NEEDS AND JOIN THE OTHER CHILDREN FOR LUNCH.



## MEALS ON WHEELS

SEVERAL OLD LADIES WERE UNABLE TO WALK TO THE MARKET AND PURCHASE FRESH FOOD. WITH NO FRIDGE TO STORE FOOD, THEIR HEALTH WAS SUFFERING. GHCC COMMENCED A DAILY DELIVERY OF A WHOLESOME LUNCH VIA MOTORBIKE

## Family Support Program

*“To keep the body in good health is a duty, otherwise we shall not be able to keep our mind strong and clear.”*  
**Buddha**

GHCC uses funds donated to the Family Sponsorship Scheme and the Alternative Care Grant to ensure the families enjoy food aid, dry homes, sanitation and clean water. Poverty is the main reason quoted by parents who place their children in orphanages. GHCC believes assisting families to feed their children enables them to stay together. Many families live in houses constructed of palm leaf and wood. GHCC funds are not sufficient to provide every family with a wooden or concrete house but we can make good and ensure the homes are watertight. Access to a toilet and clean drinking water helps reduce the risk of diarrhea the main cause of death in children under 5 in Cambodia.

Rice was provided to families in most need. The monthly allowance helps parents to ensure their children are fed.

Our social work team doubled to 2 staff with the employment of a male social worker. His prime role is to work with boys who have dropped out of school. Funds were donated by 2 couples to construct a traditional Khmer house which provides social work office space and a meeting area for families.



## HOUSE REPAIRS, CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION

DURING 2012 GHCC INSTALLED 5 TOILETS, 6 WELLS AND 1 WATER FILTER HELPING TO PREVENT DIARRHEA IN THE CHILDREN.

8 HOUSES WERE ALSO REPAIRED OR REBUILT. OUR AIM IS TO ENSURE FAMILIES ARE DRY, HAVE COOKING FACILITIES AND SPACE TO SLEEP.



## SAFE ELECTRICITY

THE SAFE ELECTRICITY PROGRAM IS AN ANONYMOUS DONATION WHICH HAS ENABLED GHCC TO USE THE SKILLED ELECTRICIANS TO PROVIDE SAFE WIRING TO THE FAMILIES HOMES. WITH MANY HOMES CONSTRUCTED OF PALM LEAF AND WOOD THIS PROVIDES PEACE OF MIND TO THE RESIDENTS. 70 HOMES WERE REWIRED IN 2012



## FOOD AID

RICE WAS PROVIDED TO 37 FAMILIES IN MOST NEED. THE MONTHLY ALLOWANCE HELPS PARENTS TO ENSURE THEIR CHILDREN ARE WELL FEED. PROTEIN IS OFTEN PROVIDED FROM CATCHING FISH, FROGS OR CRICKETS AND MOST FAMILIES GROW A FEW VEGETABLES

# Grace Gecko Vocational Training for Women, Electrician Training and IT Skills



## Grace Gecko Vocational Centre for Women

Thanks to funding from Open Skies during 2012 the centre continued to train women to weave natural fibres. The women are from the local villages and the Green Gecko Project ([www.greengeckoproject.org](http://www.greengeckoproject.org)), all have little or no education. Along with teaching a craft, Khmer Literacy and Financial Literacy lessons are offered.

The centre opened a new retail outlet in the village and expanded the retail outlets in Siem Reap. The weavers are able to provide a custom order service which included supplying placemats to the Victoria Hotel and lampshades to a new hotel.

## Electrician Training

The second enrolment took place in August. Six young men, 4 from the villages and 2 from other NGOs are now on their way to becoming competent electricians.

3 of the first year electricians are now employed to carry out the Safe Electricity program. This also provided them with a second year of "on the job" training.

## IT Skills

Thanks to funds from USA, IT classes are now offered in the evenings and weekends to 18 - 24 yr. olds in the villages. The classes are free and provide a valuable skill base for young people seeking employment.

# Staff and Volunteers

GHCC team increased by one, with the employment of a male Social Worker. The team consists of:-

- Project Manager
- Vocational Training Manager
- Deputy Manager / Social Worker
- Head Teacher
- 2 Social Workers
- 6 English Teachers
- Vocational Training (Electrician) Instructor
- 2 Youth Workers
- 2 Special Needs Assistants
- Administration Officer
- Resources Officer
- 3 Cooks/Cleaners
- 2 Gardeners
- Grace Gecko Instructor and Manager

The team is supported by English speaking volunteers who share their skills. This partnership has enabled GHCC to provide professional development to the local staff members.

Volunteers came independently or through the following organisations :- GIZ, Globalteer, Interweave and People and Places

## STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS ENJOYED A KHMER WEDDING BLESSING



## THE TEAM



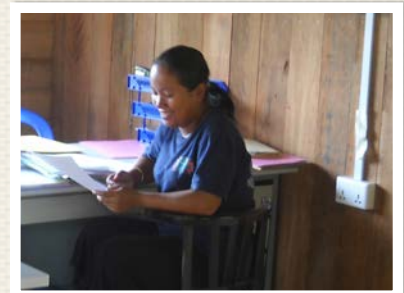
SKILLED VOLUNTEERS



TEACHERS



DIRECTORS / MANAGERS



DIRECTOR AND SOCIAL WORKER



COOKS AND GARDENERS

# Finances

## Donors and Grants

Grace House Community Centre receives funding from grant givers, individual donors, schools and volunteer placements. A small income is made on sales from The Grace Gecko Vocational Training Centre for Women, a joint venture with the Green Gecko Project NGO. This income supports development of the training centre.

Grant Giver	Purpose	Amount	Dates
Pro Juventue II (Holland)	Youth Club and Day Centre for Children with Special Needs	\$6000	November 2011 - November 2012
Open Skies (Australia)	Grace Gecko Vocational Training for Women - instructors and manager wages	\$2000	May 2012 - May 2013
GIZ	Expenditure incurred during placement of German volunteer	\$920	August 2012 - August 2013
Bettina & Michael Jetter Fund	Computer Skills Vocational Training	\$2500	August 2012 - August 2013
Anonymous Individual	Alternative Care /Family Support	\$23,230	January 2012 - January 2013
Anonymous Individual	Safe Electricity Project (house wiring)	\$23,300	January 2012 - January 2013
Anonymous Individual	Running Costs	\$57,924	May 2012 - May 2013

Additional funds were donated by schools:- St Ursula's School and Unity College Australia, Chosen Hill School and Barnsole School UK, Bonavista School Canada. Funds were also raised at local events such as Pub Quizzes

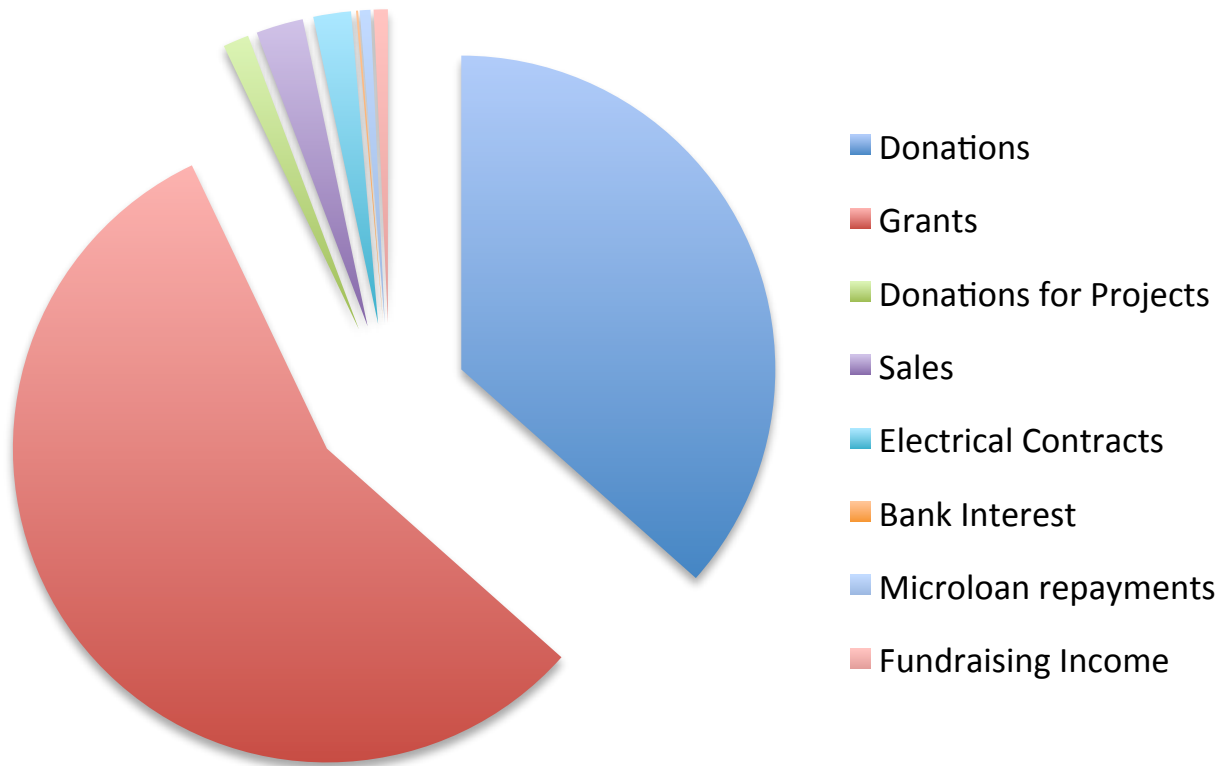
Remaining funds were donated by individual donors through one off donations and GHCC's Sponsor a Family and University Sponsorship schemes. Funds are donated into GHCC bank account in Cambodia or via Virgin Money Giving a UK based fundraising site, managed for GHCC by Globalteer, a UK charity.

In addition to funds for day to day running costs GHCC raised funds during 2012 to replace a classroom and construct a social work office / family room.

During 2012 a volunteer accountant from Accounting for International Development ([www.afid.org](http://www.afid.org)) worked with the GHCC team to develop an accurate accounting system.

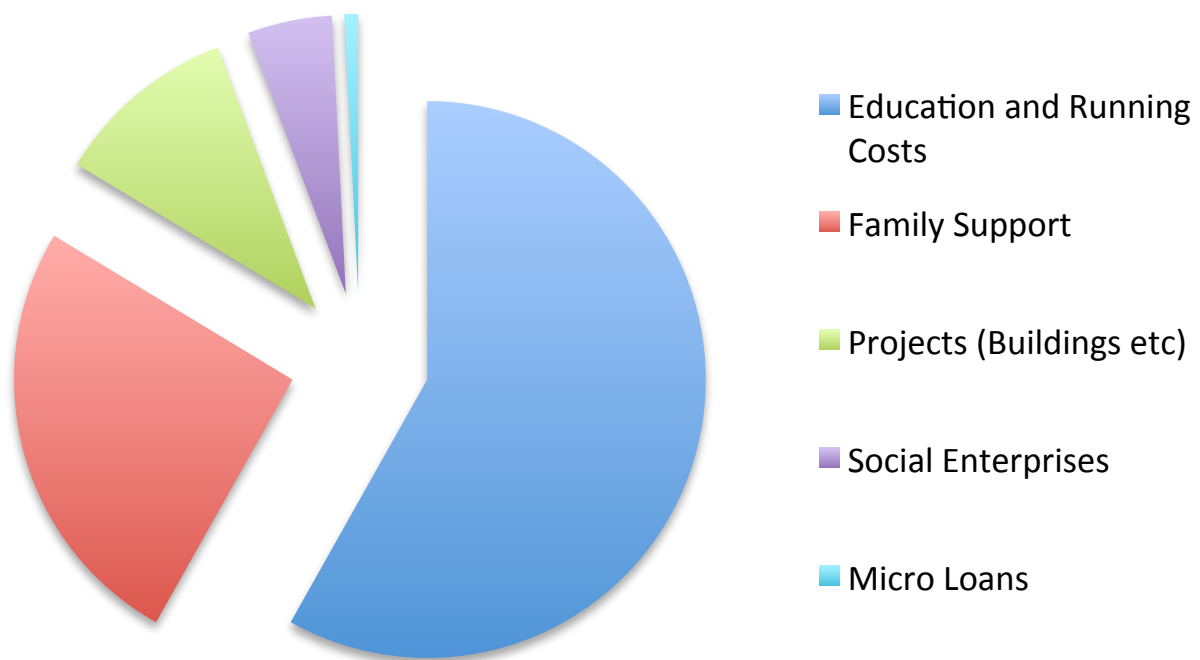
Start of Year Balance (Bank and Cash)	\$27,239
Total Income 1st January 2012 to 31st December 2012	\$194,919
Total Expenditure	\$143,959
End of Year Balance (Bank and Cash)	\$78,199

# Analysis of Income



<b>Income Received</b>	
Donations	71,293
Grants	109,836
Donations for Projects	2,595
Sales	4,733
Electrical Contracts	3,774
Bank Interest	204
Micro Loan Repayments	1,070
Fundraising Income	1,414
<b>Total</b>	<b>194,919</b>

# Analysis of Expenditure



<b>Expenditure</b>	
Education and Running Costs	\$83720
Family Support	\$36693
Projects (Building etc)	\$15350
Micro Loans	\$1150
Social Enterprise	\$7046
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$143,959</b>

## Art is FUN



## THANK YOU

All the amazing work done by the GHCC staff would not be possible without the generosity of our supporters. Please help us continue to help the villages by donating via

[www.virginmoneygiving.com/gracehouse](http://www.virginmoneygiving.com/gracehouse) (gift aid for UK taxpayers) or

ANZ Royal Bank (Cambodia) Ltd, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Swift code: ANZBKHPP

Account name :- Community Center of Grace House (note spelling)

Account no; 1771711

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If you would like to Sponsor a Family please emails [admin@gracehousecambodia.org](mailto:admin@gracehousecambodia.org) for a sponsorship pack

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