## Bracelets4Buildings.com



A registered charity that provides housing and latrines in rural Cambodia and Thailand

May 2020

#### History

2013 - Visited rural Thailand and Cambodia 2014 - Decided to form B4B

- Researched, met with NGO's
- developed a deeper understanding of the needs
- Identified a children's home on the border of Thailand and Myanmar
2015 - Initial work in February and larger scale construction in November

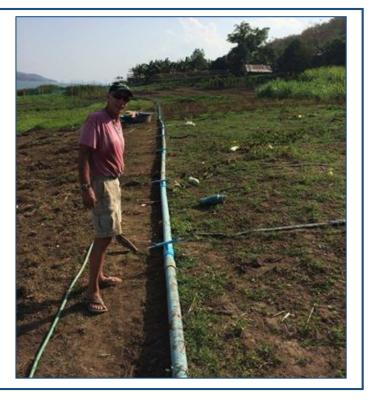


Baan Unrak Children's home, Sangkhlaburi Thailand

- Green house
- Building repairs Irrigation system Feb. 2015









## Returned to Baan Unrak in Nov. 2015 to build an additional green house

The children's home cares for ~150 children.







## "Bracelets for Buildings" was inspired in part by Thary the Bracelet Man in Siem Reap, Cambodia



Thary's parents passed away a several years ago.
He supports his younger siblings by making and selling bracelets in Siem Reap.

With his infectious smile, positive attitude, great energy and drive, his physical disabilities are barely apparent.
Initially all of the B4B bracelets where purchased from Thary.



We wear our bracelets every day. They remind us that, "When I am having a bad day I look at my bracelet and think about how lucky I am".

Today bracelets are also purchased from some of the 84B home recipients enabling them to generate income and support their families.



#### Villages in rural Cambodia

February 2015: Sett and her mother received new siding, flooring  $\xi$  a roof for their home.

November 2015: Toem (widowed mother of 3) and her sister each received a new home.







### Examples of family homes in need of replacement

Recipients are identified in consultation with the commune and village chiefs.











# Examples of homes during the construction phase











# Local Cambodian workers are hired to construct the homes.

B4B strives to keep income in the area to support the local economy.









## Homes are constructed of both wood and galvanized steel







### Examples of latrine construction





#### 2017 was funded through Project 33 1/3 and contributions from individuals





#### 2017

- · Interviewed 33 potential recipients (May)
- Project 33 1/3 Fund raising (Jul Oct)
- · Completed II homes plus latrines (Nov/Dec)



With the completion of each home, a formal ceremony is conducted in the village confirming ownership of the new home.







#### 2018/19 was funded through contributions from individuals, companies and Rotary Club International

#### 2018/19

- · Interviewed 45 potential recipients (Jan-Nov 2018)
- · Fund raising
  (Jan-Dec 2018)
- Completed 15 homes /latrines (Jan-Mar 2019)









# 2019/20 was funded through contributions from individuals and companies



#### 2019/20

- Interviewed 35 potential recipients (Jan-Nov 2019)
- Fund raising (Jan-Dec 2019)
- · Completed 12 homes /latrines (Jan-Mar 2020)





### The Smiling Faces of Cambodia











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How can you help?

I. Buy a B4B bracelet and help spread the word!





### How can you help?

#### 2. Make a donation

On-line: <u>Bracelets4Buildings.com</u>

eTransfer: mailto:c4c.b4b.canada@gmail.com

By cheque (payable to):

Canada Carpenters 4 Cambodia

USA Bracelets For Buildings Inc.

\*Tax receipts available





### How can you help?

#### 3. Be a B4B Ambassador

- sponsor a home for \$4,000 USD / \$5,600 Cdn
- Join us in Cambodia and gift the home to a deserving family



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