



ANNUAL REPORT KEPCHILDREN

2023
2024



EDITORIAL

"It is with immense gratitude and great pride that we present our activity report for the 2023-2024 school year. This year has been marked by new progress, meaningful encounters, and stimulating challenges that have once again strengthened **our commitment to education and solidarity**.

Thanks to the energy, determination, and generosity of many contributors, we have continued **to support our 66 students on their educational journey**. This success is the result of an extraordinary chain of solidarity that keeps growing stronger.

To all our faithful partners and donors who continue to trust us, we extend our deepest thanks. To those who joined us this year and chose to believe in our projects, we express special gratitude. Our partners, whether they have supported us for a long time or have recently joined our adventure, have played a crucial role in our successes.

We want to express our deep appreciation to our incredible team in Kep, whose passionate and dedicated work in the field is at the heart of our actions. A huge thank you also to our volunteers, whose commitment, generosity, and availability inspire us every day. Finally, we acknowledge our team in France, always present and active in coordinating, supporting, and driving our projects with energy and conviction.

This activity report illustrates all that we have accomplished together this year, but it also highlights the challenges that still lie ahead. Every action, every partnership, every helping hand counts and gives meaning to our mission. We sincerely thank you for your commitment alongside us.

Together, let's continue building a fairer and more sustainable future for the children we support."



**Anne-Sophie
GRASSET**
*Founder and
vice-president*

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OUR PROJECT AND OUR MISSIONS

KEPCHILDREN is an NGO established in the city of **Kep**, in southern **Cambodia**, since 2012. Our goal is to **provide simplified access to education for the most underprivileged children** in the city by combating poverty and guiding them towards an appropriate educational path. The objective is to ensure them, in the long term, a more stable professional future.

To achieve this, we offer comprehensive support and care for children and their families, taking into account **all their needs**. We are aware that a child who is malnourished, sick, or living in precarious housing conditions would not be able to fully benefit from what the school has to offer.

Our actions are as follows:



We provide each student :

- the necessary **school supplies** for the year
- two **uniforms** and two pairs of **shoes**

And we offer **support classes** in Khmer, mathematics, and English, in addition to public school..



Coverage of **healthcare cost** for the whole family and an **annual dental check-up**.



Donation of **bicycles** for all primary school students and school **pickup service in tuk-tuks** for kindergarten students to ensure that everyone can get to school. For high school students, we also contribute to the financing of a **motorcycle** as the high school is located 10km from the town.



Social support adapted to generally improve the living conditions of families according to their needs.



We distribute **10 kg of rice per child every month**. We also provide **daily meals** for kindergarten students and bi-weekly meals for all students.

OUR ACTION PRINCIPLES



• DO TOGETHER

In the support provided to families within the association, **any form of handout is avoided**. The aim is not to do things "for" families, but rather "with" them. It is essential that the families we support adhere to these values and are motivated by them.



• CASE-BY-CASE ASSISTANCE

KEPCHILDREN provides **personalized support** tailored to the specific situation of each child and family, ensuring that all beneficiaries feel acknowledged and supported in their progress.



• TAKING CHARGE OF YOUR FUTURE

At KEPCHILDREN, our commitment is to provide every child we welcome with the opportunity to choose their future career path and the lifestyle they wish to pursue. Our goal is to **promote the independence** of families and children **by empowering them to take control of their lives**.

RETROSPECTIVE OF THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR IN FIGURE

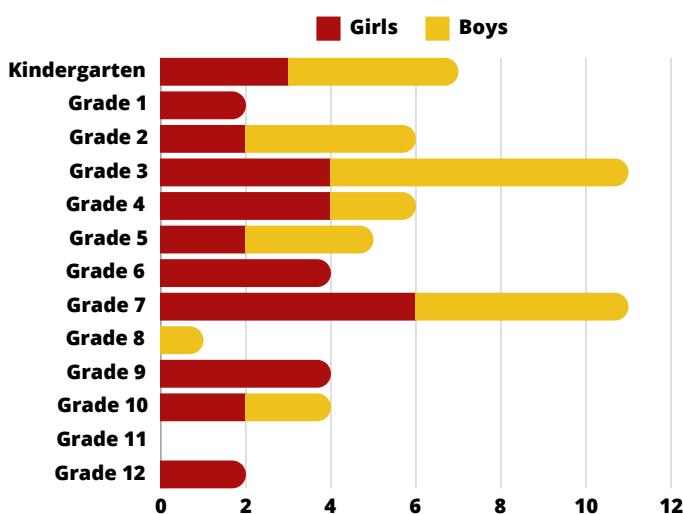
KEPCHILDREN supported **27 families and 66 children** during the 2023 - 2024 years.

Here is an overview of the distribution of our students by age, grade level, and gender.

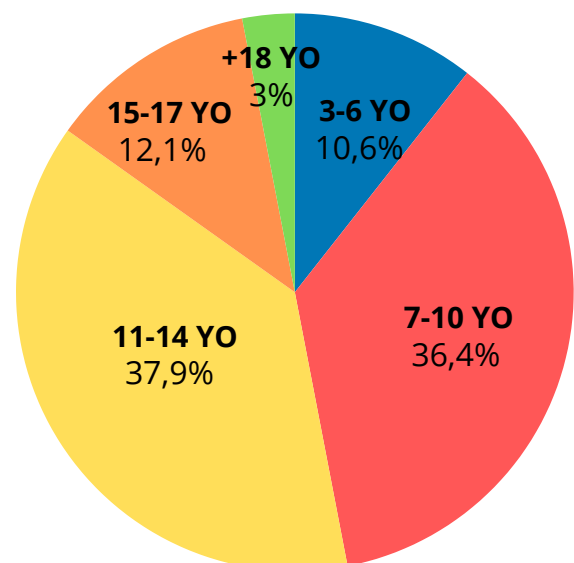
Out of a total of 66 students, **36 are girls and 30 are boys**. The graphs below provide an overview of the children according to their grade level, age, and gender.

These statistical data by gender reflect **our commitment to ensuring access to education for all**. However, we can observe a decrease in enrollment, especially among males, in the upper grades. This observation is consistent with the national trend where only 20% of students of high school age actually attend.

Graph 1: distribution by sex and school grade



Graphique 2: distribution of students by age



FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY

Ensuring the legitimacy of an action requires full transparency regarding its operation, especially at the financial level. Therefore, KEPCHILDREN publishes a comprehensive annual activity report along with a financial report detailing the origin and use of its resources.

Here is a summary of our accounts for the year 2023-2024. Details can be found in our financial report.

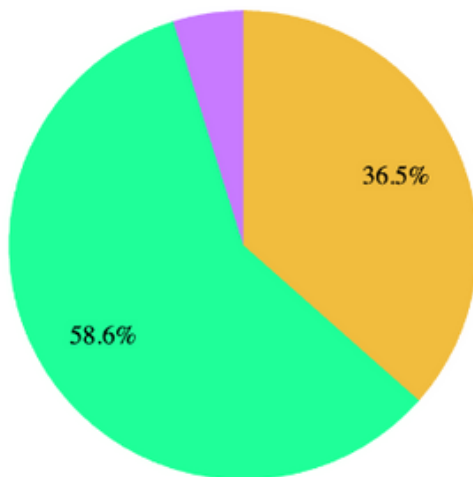
Our collective sponsorship system allows us to support the education of a larger number of children without creating inequalities. This year, we have secured **40 sponsorships**.

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In 2024, we managed to raise **€65,013** through sponsorships, donations, partnerships, and various sales and collections, a 2% increase on the previous year. Our expenses in Cambodia and France amounted to **€51,510**.

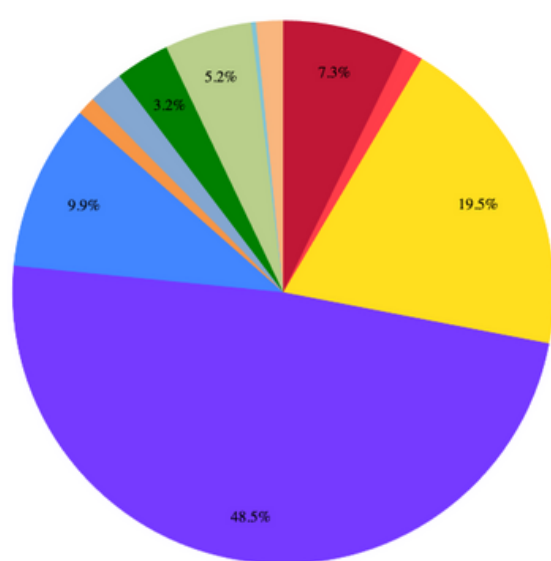
In 2023, the association's treasury was very low and unable to cover unforeseen expenses. As a result, we decided to revise the operating budget downwards in 2024, keeping only essential expenses which enabled us to make savings and increase our treasury.

INCOME



- Private sponsorships
- Partnerships
- Fundraisings and sales

EXPENSE



- Tuition
- One-Time Financial Assistance
- Food
- Salaries
- Premises
- Activities
- Repairs
- Health
- Administrative costs
- Transport
- Equipment

OUR TEAM AT KEP



Srey Nay - Director



Thai - Guardian



Mao - Driver



Soteareak - Educator



Sotheareaksmeay -
Educator



Moniroth - Teacher



Séou - Teacher



Chanti - Cooker



Ohn - Housekeeper



Carla - VSI Project
manager



Morgane - Volunteer



Chloé - Volunteer

THE FRENCH OFFICE



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President



Anne-Sophie
Founder and vice-
president



Jennifer
Treasure



Valérie
Secretary



Margaux
Communication officer

On both sides of the globe, in France and in Cambodia, teams are mobilizing and working together to support access to education.

In France, the team is volunteering their time to provide **essential support to activities** such as strengthening partnerships, communication, and fundraising.

In Cambodia, our team continues to **grow and strengthen**. Their commitment to this project is a crucial pillar of the association's **development and project autonomy**. Moreover, a large portion of our **local employees are initially parents from the families supported by the association**, whom we have supported in obtaining employment through training.



Since 2019, our honorary member **Karin Rogenmoser** has **actively supported KEPCHILDREN**, organizing numerous **fundraising events**. We would like to express our gratitude to Karin Rogenmoser for her dedication and invaluable support.

OUR PARTNERSHIPS 2023-2024

In Cambodia or in France, to advance in our projects, partners support us:



Service de Coopération au Développement association:

- Taking charge of and sending volunteers to our structure.



Sourire de Kep association:

- Financial support for boxing lessons.
- Regular donations.



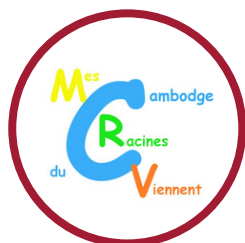
Brugg Catholic Church:

- Financial support



Challenge Cambodia association:

- Financial support



Nos Racines viennent du Cambodge association:

- Financial support



CPAM Nantes:

- Financial support
- Donations of equipment



The Traoré Solidarity Fund:

- Financial support



Mary's Mercy Foundation:

- Financial support



Agence Française de Développement (AFD):

- Donation of equipment



L'Amicale Laïque de Couëron Centre :

- Featured in their Festival of Solidarities



France Volontaire Cambodge :

- Day-to-day moral support in welcoming our volunteers
- Exchange of experiences with future Cambodian volunteers



French Institute of Cambodia :

- Moral support



Phnom Penh Farmers' Market:

- Financial support



Français au Cambodge, Plus fort ensemble :

- Publication of an article on their website



Le Petit Journal Cambodge:

- Publication in their newspaper

OUR PARTNERSHIPS 2023-2024

In Cambodia or in France, to advance in our projects, partners support us:



The Asan association:

- Financial support



Be So Phorn Massage Salon:

- Financial support



Posca :

- Donation of felt-tips



River Park Kampot:

- School children welcome 1 time a year



Butterfly Garden:

- Kindergarten welcome 1 time a year



Lilo search engine:

- KEPCHILDREN referenced in its partner associations.



The company Valeuriad :

- Financial support
- Equipment donations



Funderland :

- Regular donations of equipment and toys



The Deï company:

- Moral support



Cambokiz :

- Donations of equipment and toys



Cambodge Mag:

- Publication in their newspaper



Kkep on Learning association:

- Financial support

OUR PARTNERSHIPS 2023-2024

In Cambodia or in France, to advance in our projects, partners support us:



Hun Sen
Kep Primary
School

Kep public school and middle school:

- Schooling for our students



Educating Smiling Children :

- Schooling for our kindergarten



Hunsen
Chomka Dong
High School

Husen Chomka Dong High School:

- Schooling for our students



BSDA (Buddhism for Social Development Action):

- Schooling for our students



Damnok Toek association:

- Setting up educational projects to raise awareness of disability-related inclusion



Kep Gardens association:

- Moral support through skills sharing
- Donations of equipment (computers, books)



Jardin des Langues Ayravady association :

- Moral support



Au-Delà Les Rizières association:

- Moral support



Kep Educational Center Association (CEK):

- Moral support
- Setting up joint projects



ACACIA International Preschool:

- Moral support of
- Donations of equipment



CamEd Business School:

- Donations of equipment
- Financial support



Your Aid we Deliver :

- Annual dental consultations for all our students

MOBILIZATION FOR KEPCHILDREN INTERNATIONALLY AND IN CAMBODIA

January 2024

New donations thanks to FUNDERLAND's donation box - Phnom Penh, CAMBODIA

FUNDERLAND playground in Phnom Penh supports KEPCHILDREN by regularly collecting toys and children's clothing through a donation box located on their premises.



Integration of two students at the BSDA training center - Kampong Cham, CAMBODIA

Key and Pherea are taking a one-year training course in cooking with Buddhism for Social Development Action, a partnership that supports their schooling and professional integration.



February 2024

Sotheareak's training at Acacia PreSchool - Phnom Penh, CAMBODIA

For two days, kindergarten teacher Sotheareak discovered the Acacia nursery and kindergarten in Phnom Penh, reinforcing her skills through the sharing of best practices.



March 2024

Thanks from the Cambodian Department of Education - Kep, CAMBODIA

At the annual meeting of the Cambodian Department of Education, we were honored to receive a letter of thanks for our commitment to the children and young people of Kep.



CamEd Business School students raise funds - Phnom Penh, CAMBODIA

Students from CamEd's Speaking and Debate Club in Phnom Penh launched the “Endless Love Project” to support local associations. KEPCHILDREN received a generous financial donation, school supplies and outfits for all the children during their visit.



France Volontaires visits and trains young Cambodians on reciprocal Civic Service to France - Kep, CAMBODIA

Our partner France Volontaires visited KEPCHILDREN with 14 young people departing for a Civic Service mission, exchanging ideas with Carla and Morgane, our French volunteers.



April 2024

Mobilization for the Khmer New Year organized by ASAN - Nantes, FRANCE

Valérie, our treasurer, and Carine, a long-standing volunteer, represented KEPCHILDREN at a festive evening organized by the Soleil d'Asie Nantes association, celebrating Khmer culture and actions in favor of Cambodia.



June 2024

Visit from Camille and Matthieu, committed donors, and organization of a fair at KEPCHILDREN - Kep, CAMBODIA

Camille and Matthieu, loyal donors, spent three days with their children at KEPCHILDREN, financing and organizing a fair while discovering the daily life of the association.



Acacia International Pre-school collection - Phnom Penh, CAMBODIA

Acacia International Pre-school organized a collection for KEPCHILDREN, donating clothes, toys and furniture. Some of the furniture was refurbished for our solidarity boutique and playroom, while the rest was redistributed to our partner Kep Gardens.



July 2024

New partnership with K.O.L - KKEP ON LEARNING

K.O.L, our new European partner, supports the underprivileged children of Kep by financing the canteen, the salaries of the activity leaders and additional lessons, offering optimal support while relaunching educational projects.



August 2024

Caroline's and Lisa's families raise funds to renew tables - Kep, CAMBODIA

Thanks to a fund-raising campaign organized by Caroline, Marc, Merlin and Lisa's family, KEPCHILDREN has renewed the classroom tables, making them more comfortable for the students. The old tables have been redistributed to families.



September 2024

Support from honorary member Karin Rogenmoser - SWITZERLAND

Karin Rogenmoser, our honorary member, organized a fundraising stand in Schinznach Dorf, Switzerland, for KEPCHILDREN.

The event raised €900, thanks in particular to the support of Carsten Mumbauer, community leader of the Fanziskus Church.



Photo exhibition by photographer Julien Borello - Grenoble, FRANCE

KEPCHILDREN was highlighted in Grenoble thanks to a photographic exhibition by Julien Borello. During his visit in February, he captured moments of life and solidarity within the association, offering visitors a touching look at the children we support.



October 2024

KEPCHILDREN takes part in French Volunteering Day organized by France Volontaires - Phnom Penh, CAMBODIA

On October 11, we took part in the French Volunteering Day in Phnom Penh, hosting a stand to present our actions. This strengthened our partnerships and paved the way for new collaborations to increase our impact.



New partner: Nos Racines viennent du Cambodge

The donation from our new partner, the association Nos Racines viennent du Cambodge, covered rice distributions in October and December, as well as the purchase of school supplies, school bags, uniforms, shoes, sand for sports fields and sports equipment.



December 2024

Visit and financing from our loyal partner Challenge Cambodge - Kep, CAMBODIA

Challenge Cambodge's exceptional donation at the end of the year, accompanied by their visit, enabled KEPCHILDREN to finance the rental of the land and part of a future classroom, thus ensuring the sustainability of our projects in 2025.



SUCCESSFUL DIGITAL CAMPAIGNS

2024: “Operation Christmas” at KEPCHILDREN



This year, we have renewed “Operation Christmas”, allowing our donors to choose from a variety of gift kits to support KEPCHILDREN students over the festive season.

The kits on offer were as follows:

- **Dental Health kit:** covers the cost of a visit to the dentist and provides children with oral hygiene products to encourage good habits.
- **School Kit:** provides all essential school equipment for the year 2025, including uniforms, supplies and shoes.
- **Rice Kit:** provides a monthly distribution of 10 kilos of rice throughout the year, guaranteeing a basic diet for pupils.
- **Sponsorship kit:** provides a complete schooling package, including school supplies, uniforms, shoes, transport and 10 kg of rice per child, all year round.

Thanks to this initiative, we raised a total of **€2,505**, representing **62 kits** offered in the fields of dental health, education and food.

A huge thank you to our donors for their invaluable support, which makes these actions possible!

OUR ACTIVITIES

This year, 66 children were supported by KEPCHILDREN. Here's an overview of our activities and projects.

01. Schooling support

- **Material Support:** Every semester, we have provided our students the necessary materials for studying and attending school: backpacks, school supplies, uniforms, and shoes. Thanks to the donations received, we have also been able to regularly offer new clothes and hygiene kits to the students and their families.
- **Academic Support:** Every day, our students from CP to 3e attend support classes in Khmer and mathematics. These daily classes enable them to consolidate what they have learnt alongside public school. **They are essential, as 77% of our students have no school support at home.** Every Sunday, our English teacher also offers lessons to our students to help them develop their English skills. Last but not least, we have continued to offer financial assistance to families to cover the cost of compulsory extra tuition at the public school.



Review

The continuation of this academic support and all of our efforts in favor of education has borne fruit, as we have observed an **increase in school attendance and student engagement in their studies**. A survey has shown that **95% of students wish to continue their education** at least until high school graduation, and **61% aspire to pursue higher education**.

OUR ACTIVITIES

02. Kindergarten and day-care center

Welcoming kindergarten students: a busy day

This year, we are taking care of **7 kindergarten students** in our premises every morning from Monday to Friday. This welcoming allows families to continue their professional activities peacefully while offering children playful awakening from a very young age.

So, every morning, our tuk-tuk driver Pu-Mao goes to the students' homes to pick them up and take them to KEPCHILDREN. Under the supervision of our facilitator Soteareak, the kindergartners enjoy **playful and creative activities** throughout the morning, have time for **showering** and **brushing teeth**, a **meal, and a snack** before falling asleep for a nap. Then, the students are taken to the kindergarten of our partner Educating Smiling Children for the afternoon where they receive an introduction to Khmer. After this busy day, they are finally brought back home by Pu-Mao!

Day-care center opens in the afternoon!

Since this year, KEPCHILDREN has been offering a day-care center for pupils from CP to CM2 with our activity leader Sotheareaksmeay. This new service meets a need: some pupils only have school in the morning, and have free time in the afternoon.

On the program: varied educational activities, playtime, reading sessions in the library, shower sessions, care of minor injuries.... This new program is in addition to the tutoring classes that students take after this games and activities session.



OUR ACTIVITIES

03. Social support

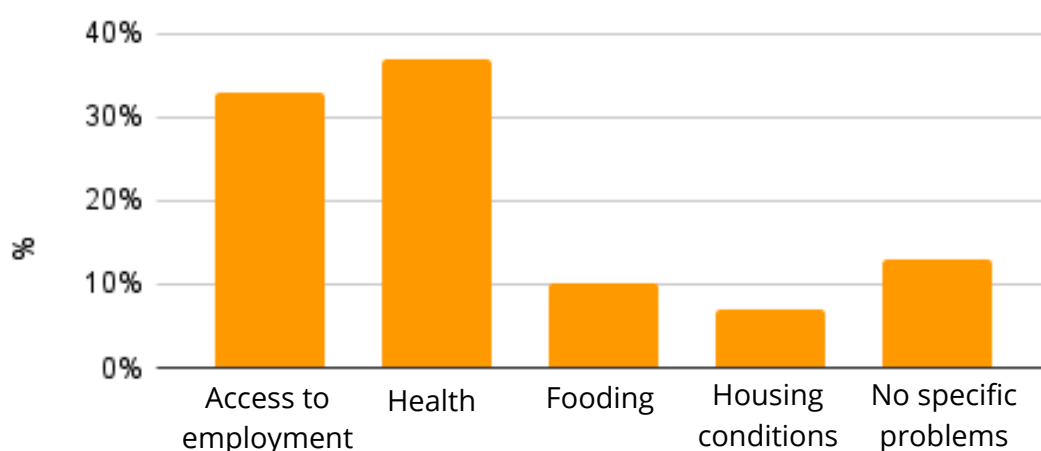
To accomplish our mission in favor of education, we prioritize social work as close as possible to families and their needs. Building strong relationships with families is crucial to best support students in their schooling. Every month, we organize **collective and individual meetings**. These meetings allow us to **address any difficulties encountered and to find solutions together**. If necessary, we visit families at their homes to discuss any social, health, or educational challenges they may encounter in order to provide them with the best possible support.

Additionally, we conducted our **annual social survey**. This survey enabled us to calculate the family income for each household and to assess their overall situation and any changes.

This work was carried out by Sony, our social worker who has been with us this year, and Srey Nay Horn, our director.

Here is a statistical overview of the main difficulties our families encounter, and for which KEPCHILDREN works tirelessly to address:

Difficulties encountered



OUR ACTIVITIES

04. Fooding support

Before joining KEPCHILDREN, many children were forced to work to help their families, often prioritizing work over schooling. Our work involves supporting families so that every child can go to school without this causing a loss of income for the families.

To achieve this, KEPCHILDREN provides families with a monthly distribution of **10 kilograms of rice per child**, encouraging families to prioritize education. Through the implementation of the "**Canteen for All**" project, this assistance is supplemented by two free meals per week for all students in the association, and a daily meal for kindergarten students.

A varied and balanced nutrition is crucial for good health and optimal concentration in class, which is why the canteen and food assistance to families are among our **top expenditure items**.

This assistance is occasionally supplemented by various food baskets depending on the donations received by KEPCHILDREN.



The KEPCHILDREN canteen.



Preparation of the monthly rice donation to families.

OUR ACTIVITIES

05. Health support

In Cambodia, despite a rapidly expanding healthcare offer, **access to healthcare remains marginal** for many families in precarious situations. KEPCHILDREN puts **health care at the heart of its programs** to improve families' overall quality of life.

- **Reimbursement of healthcare costs**

We participate in financing the healthcare expenses of all children, their families, and our employees, totaling **109 beneficiaries** for this program. We fully cover the healthcare expenses of our students and reimburse families up to 50% of their expenses.

- **Dental care**

All our students also attended their **annual dental check-up**. Thanks to our partner the Buddhist Library Cambodia Project dental center, this visit enabled us to monitor the students' dental health and provide them with the necessary care.

The meeting was also an opportunity for the dental center's professionals to run an **awareness-raising workshop** for our students on the importance of dental hygiene and good eating habits.

- **Material aid for health**

Throughout the year, we provide our students with the necessary hygiene items: soaps, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoos, etc. This assistance is made possible thanks to the donations we receive at KEPCHILDREN.

- **Specific health care**

Three of our students require specialized annual care at clinics located in Phnom Penh and Takeo. We have covered the costs of these treatments and supported them throughout these procedures.



OUR ACTIVITIES

06. Socio-cultural support

Throughout the year, we offer our students a range of socio-cultural activities. From setting up **educational workshops** to organizing **extracurricular outings**, our goal is to provide students with exposure to the outside world. We aim to offer them a rewarding experience that goes beyond their school or family routine.

Workshops and Educational Projects:

- **Raising awareness of disability with the NGO Damnok Toek**, followed by a day of playful exchange between our two audiences.
- Organization of an **environmental awareness workshop**, including a beach clean-up with our students.
- **Workshop to raise awareness of the dangers of excessive sugar** consumption and the importance of a balanced diet.
- **Film** evenings throughout the year to help children develop their cinematic culture.
- **Open discussions with teenagers** on respect for intimacy, understanding their bodies and consent, accompanied by interactive activities.



OUR ACTIVITIES

06. Socio-cultural support

Outings and Extracurricular Activities:

- River Park Kampot activity area welcomed our teenagers for a day so they could enjoy their facilities: water inflatables, boat rides, slide, etc.
- Our kindergarten students visited the butterfly farm and Wat Samathi Pagoda in Kep.
- We also offered various outings to the pool and beach for our students throughout the year.
- Our students enjoy boxing classes every Sunday thanks to our partner, Sourires de Kep.
- The Social and Educational Center (formerly MCS) allows some of our students to attend their Apsara dance classes on Saturdays. In return, some of their students come to attend our boxing classes.



Coming in 2025...

Short term:

- To fight against voluntourism, we continue to work with volunteers over long periods. In 2025, we are renewing the contract of Morgane L., a Service Civique volunteer in 2024 who is pursuing a one-year mission as a Volontariat de Solidarité Internationale. We will also be welcoming Morgane V., a Service Civique volunteer, for 12 months, to lend her a helping hand.
- Continue our actions and projects begun this year.
- Continue to organize extra-curricular outings and special days for children.
- Accelerate the professionalization of our team in Kep by offering them more training and the means to be autonomous and fully involved in our actions.

Long term:

- Strengthen and consolidate our funding base to ensure the sustainability of our projects and programs.
- Develop and intensify our partnerships.
- Help our teenagers interested in pursuing their university studies by supporting them financially.
- Continue the schooling of our students for the current school year and beyond, with the aim of finding a sponsor for each child to ensure their long-term education.
- Find the necessary funds to buy a plot of land and build our premises, in order to perpetuate KEPCHILDREN and get out of the precarious situation of renting every 3 to 5 years. This will enable us to develop long-term projects for our association. (Land price: \$250,000).

If you have any ideas or suggestions for future actions and projects future projects that we could consider within our association, we are we would be delighted to hear from you.



***Thank you for your
attention!***



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