

April 2019 News

More than just a roof over their heads



CLS realises that there is more to educating children than providing them with school books and lessons. Children need to feel secure, have a roof over their heads and food in their bellies. Which is why CLS takes a holistic approach to education within the community, assisting needy families with shelter, food, transport and physical wellbeing.

“When children have a safe and clean place to go home to, they achieve better at their studies,” CLS Director, Nget Sothy (Mr Thy) said. “The family’s health improves and parents are often better able to earn a living.”

“We can build basic houses for families in Chumkriel for less than USD\$1000,” Mr Thy said.

CLS, together with donors, volunteers and community members, is pleased to have supported 11 families over the past year - either by building new homes, or helping to repair or renovate existing shelters.

Read more about the [CLS shelter building project](#) on our website.

Creating Happy Homes



Tay Thea and Mong Sok raised six children in a small shelter attached to the side of a relative's house. Two years' ago CLS provided the family with materials to build a new home.

Daughter, 11-year-old Som Sokpisey, who attends school at CLS, is thrilled with her home, and skipped around eagerly showing it off to CLS visitors who came to inspect the home.

Her father, who works as a contract builder earning \$6 a day when work is available, built the two-room home himself and created an extension made from recycled tin.

Recently, CLS was able to provide the family with nine sheets of tin to replace the leaking recycled panels. Tay Thea wasted no time and was busy hammering away at the renovations before the CLS visitors had even left

Renovation Rescue



In a nearby family, E Mom works hard to support her family with irregular cleaning work. Her husband has epilepsy and is unable to work following a seizure where he fell in a rice paddy and nearly drowned.

The couple have four children and CLS has provided the school-age children with uniforms and school supplies, and encourages them to attend school.

They try to keep their humble home clean and tidy but rust from Kampot's heavy rains has set in. Late last year, thanks to the help of supporters, CLS was able to provide the family with tin and a pole to make a lean to shelter at the side of the house.

Many hands make light work

Watch CLS organisers, local community members and volunteers build a new house for family. The family love their new home and say 'Orkun - thank you' to CLS donors who made it possible. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8vREju_W35w&feature=youtu.be

goes to support Chumkriel Language School and its programs.

Please visit their website:

<http://www.chumkrielsupporters.com/donation/>

On behalf of Chumkriel Language School and our entire community we would like to say...

Orkun (thank you) for supporting our Community.

Without your assistance we could not continue our programs to help children learn, have fun & stay healthy.