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Project// The FREEDOM Project Resource Center Computer Lab

Document// Proposal for Funding

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OUR MISSION/

To prevent child exploitation through culturally relevant programs for vulnerable children and to share their stories to inspire creative, compassionate people to act.

OUR WORK/

We offer educational scholarships, tutoring, and resources to at-risk children in rural Thailand to keep them off the path to exploitation and give them hope for a better future.

PROJECT OVERVIEW/

Title: The FREEDOM Resource Center Computer Lab

Estimated Budget: \$16,265

OBJECTIVES/

- Provide computer access and training to FREEDOM Scholarship Students
- Provide Internet access for homework research
- Teach students proficiency in Microsoft Word
- Teach students how to conduct Internet research
- Teach students responsible Internet browsing
- Teach students typing techniques
- Provide educational games to students, including Math, ESL, Art, etc.

TARGET GROUP/

This project will benefit all the students in SOLD's Scholarship Program, as well as the other local children and community members who frequent SOLD's Resource Center. As of February 15, 2015, there are 125 students enrolled in The FREEDOM Scholarship Program. However, the Resource Center is open to the general public and provides classes and after school programs to many children not receiving a scholarship from SOLD.

COMPUTER LAB/

The SOLD Project will equip its new Resource Center with 10 computers, giving the at-risk children of this poor rural community access to the Internet and the opportunity to learn computer skills. Without access to computers or the Internet, both of which are non-existent in the villages, our students are at a serious disadvantage in school and the job market beyond.

An Internet-connected computer lab enables our students to complete homework assignments that require Internet access, learn valuable software research, and typing skills, as well as pursue niche interests in design, web development, and more. We also intend to install learning games, channeling our kids' fascination with technology and natural desire to play into educational programs that teach math, ESL, strategic thinking, creativity, and other skills.

By investing in the education and development of these at-risk children, we not only prevent them from becoming victims of exploitation, but we free them to succeed, rise from poverty, and change the future for their families, their children, and beyond.

BUDGET BREAKDOWN/

The initial set-up costs of the Resource Center Computer Lab are one-time expenses.

Item	Description/Quantity	Total Cost
Computers	Dell PC Desktop/ 11	\$8,800
Printer with Scanner	Epson/3	\$900
Copy Machine	1	\$1,000
Screen Projector	1 screen	\$275
Software	Microsoft Office Suite/ 10 users	\$1,500
Educational Software	(still researching options)/ 10 users	\$1,000
Misc. Equipment	Mice, Mouse pads, printer ink, etc.	\$2,000
Table & Chairs	6 tables, 11 chairs	\$790
Total		\$16,265

*A check for \$8,000 was donated to SOLD in April so the GlobalGiving project total was decreased by \$8,000.

