**Summary Activity Report 2011~ 2014**

**Rural Assistance Program**

**Prey Veng, Cambodia**

**General Information and report from the field:**

Having started in 2000 with just two villages, the RAP project now covers 43 villages of Baphnom and Preah Sdech District of Prey Veng Province, Cambodia. During this period of time RAP has been providing direct support to 384 of the poorest families in these two districts of Prey Veng, some who have received drilled wells on their land and/or from varying types of assistance ( 80 PLHA families persons living with HIV/AIDS). This has had a significant impact on the families assisted, for example, in 2011, under the organization of voluntary communal groups, there is 7,568,000 Riels ( approximately $ 1892 ) in aggregated savings and the PLHA groups of have savings aggregate in the amount of 6,585,000 Riels ( approximately $1646) . In total, there are 601 families totaling approximately 3474 individuals who in some manner directly benefited from the project and many others who benefit indirectly.

**Examples of Strategic Activities conducted by the RAP :**

* Strengthened the capacity of 70 drilled well members on chicken raising, pig raising, home gardening, fish raising and multi-purpose farming
* Selected 30 new drilled well families annually through application process
* Organized the general meeting for the PLHAs groups with the participation of 75 PHLA members ( 55 were women)
* Organized training workshops on self development for the leaders of PLHA groups
* Strengthened the capacity of the PLHAs Federation of Baphnom on establishment of institution and financial management
* Followed up on advise and training previously given to PLHAs and Drilled wells members
* Supported 80 PLHA members to go to Neak Loeung referral hospital to get ARV ( anti-retroviral) and OI ( opportunistic infections such as TB ) medicines.

**Examples of annual Project Outputs**

* 155 families have home gardens
* 89 families raised 3,254 chickens
* 45 families raised 13,400 fish fingerlings
* 87 families raised 239 pigs
* 112 families produced compost for rice production and vegetable growing
* 132 families planted 458 fruit trees
* 145 families planted 435 cassia tree ( multi-purpose tree)

**Summary Conclusions:**

**During the period of 2011 ~ 2014 families have continued to see visible positive impact of the RAP.**

**Most of the families served by the RAP, improved their living conditions.** The poorest families and the PLHAs were able to improve their living conditions with RAP team guidance and as a result of cooperative community efforts. Additionally, these two groups gained more of a voice within the community.

**Social discrimination between the community and PLHA continues to decrease** as more PLHA took a more public roll to educate others in the community about the impact of HIV/AIDS and how to stop HIV/AIDS infections.

**The RAP allows PHLA to access medical care and to improve their health and daily lifestyle** by producing nutritionally healthy food for home consumption and access to safe drinking water.

**Local HIV/AIDS networks at the commune level are linked** to each other at district levels and continue to protect dignity of PLHA and reduce discrimination.

**Information and education helps to empower the poorest members of the community** and families impacted by HIV/ AIDS.