# Saving 50 children from substance-abuse cycle

# **Project Details**

# **1. Project Overview**

### **Project Location**

• Geographical Area: Pai District, Mae Hong Son Province, Thailand

### **Project Type & Focus Areas**

- Type: Ongoing Project
- Key Areas of Assistance:
  - Anti-Trafficking
  - Community Transformation
  - Education
  - Family-Based Care
  - Health & Medical
  - Hunger/Food Security/Nutrition
  - Vulnerable Children Care

### **Target Beneficiaries**

- Number of Beneficiaries: 50 children and parents
- Age Group: Children aged 4-12 years
- Demographics: Tribal children from underprivileged backgrounds

### **Project Goals**

- 1. Equip children with biblical teachings and life skills to protect them from substance abuse.
- 2. Help parents overcome substance addiction through treatment and biblical guidance.
- 3. Improve the overall well-being of children by providing educational, recreational, and spiritual activities.

# 2. Problem Statement

### **Background & Statistics**

• Substance Abuse Crisis:

- 70% of children in Pai district have been exposed to substance abuse.
- 60% of children are actively involved in substance abuse.
- The youngest reported case is 8 years old.

#### Community Challenges:

- High drug trafficking activity in tourist areas.
- Lack of parental supervision due to substance addiction or incarceration.
- Limited positive recreational and educational opportunities for children.

#### **Previous Efforts**

- Government Initiatives:
  - Drug prevention campaigns.
  - Training sessions for community leaders and youth.
  - Drug checkpoints at entry points to the city.

#### • Church and Community Efforts:

- The Light Shine Center has worked with at-risk children since 2006.
- Weekly Christian ethical training has shown positive results in reducing substance abuse among children.

# **3. Project Implementation Plan**

### **Key Activities**

- Weekly Saturday Training:
  - Bible study, sports, worship, music training, and life skills development.
- Youth Camp (October):
  - Intensive 2-day training on substance abuse prevention.
- Parental Training & Home Visits:
  - Monthly home visits and five parental skills training sessions.
- Academic & Language Support:
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Tutoring and school support programs for children.
- Family Support & Livelihood Training:
  - Assisting families in finding sustainable sources of income.

### **Long-Term Impact**

- Improved parental guidance and reduction in substance abuse.
- Increased participation in church and faith-based activities.
- Higher academic achievement and positive behavioral changes in children.

# 4. Project Budget Breakdown

The following table outlines the funding needed and the specific request from CBN.

Item Description	Funding Needed (THB)	Funding Needed (USD)
Weekly activities for children (education & food)	192,000	6,400
Tuition	12,000	400
Health	12,000	400
2-day Youth Camp (October for 70 children)	30,000	1,000
Family Recreation / Training	24,000	800
Tutors	12,000	400
Livelihood Support	45,000	1,500
Project Retreat	10,000	333
Follow-up/Monitoring/Site Visits/Staff Retreat	32,000	1,067
Total Amount	369,000	12,300

## 5. Monitoring & Evaluation

#### • Indicators of Success:

- Reduction in substance abuse among children and parents.
- Increased parental involvement in training and home visits.
- Higher participation in faith-based activities.
- Improved academic and behavioral performance in children.

#### • Tracking & Reporting:

- Monthly reports on fund utilization and project progress.
- Quarterly evaluations to assess the project's effectiveness.
- Post-project impact assessment and documentation of success stories.

# 8. Sustainability Plan

- Short-Term:
  - Continued financial support from CBN and other donors.
- Long-Term:
  - Development of a self-sustaining funding model through local contributions and community initiatives.
  - Expansion of livelihood projects to provide stable income for families.

# 9. Conclusion

This project is dedicated to creating a **drug-free future** for children and families in Pai District. Through **faith-based education, parental support, and community engagement**, this project aims to transform lives and **build a stronger, healthier community.** With the requested funding, we can continue this critical work and expand its impact.