

Charity Review Phuket Has Been Good to Us Foundation

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Background:

The Foundation was established in 2005 by Mr. Tom McNamara, an American who lived and worked in Thailand for over 20 years, with core objective to contribute to the local community in Phuket, following the 2004 Asian Tsunami. After finding that Thai people wanted their children to learn English, as they understood it was the key to their children's future success, and that most schools could not afford flluent English speaking teachers, the idea to set up an organization to make this education available to the children for free was initiated.

In 2006, Phuket Has Been Good To Us Foundation became a registered charity in the Kingdom of Thailand and Board of Directors was implemented. Since then, many local and international supporters have been inspired by this initiative and joined to enable the provision of free, quality English education in Phuket.

After Mr. McNamara passed away, Ms. Fleur Birch-Atkinson, his daughter and her associates have attributed and continued her father's intention by transforming the Foundation to English language charitable institute. The Foundation has grown over 10 years and is now a well-established charitable organization which improves the life of over 1,500 children and be an inspiration to all those who follow.

Charity Purpose:

The Foundation's main objective is to provide quality English education to underprivileged children of Phuket community so as to:

- 1. Improve the economic opportunities and life chances of young people by funding and implementing high quality, practical English language education in government schools on Phuket Island.
- 2. Create vocational opportunities by developing English skills through various methods, including formal education as well as afterschool and non-curricula activities.
- Enhance opportunities for students to explore other interests while developing English skills through
 English Integrated Studies programme which covers the teaching of Science and Maths in English in addition to
 regular English classes.

Description of Activities:

1. Teaching Programme

The Foundation provides English classes as well as Math and Science in English at government schools in Phuket, by employing qualified, fluent English teachers using fundraising to pay for their stipends.

The Foundation's pilot programme was introduced at Baan Kalim School in 2006, teaching English to 124 students. In 2007, the Foundation expanded to 36th Rachaprachanukroh (RPG) Kamala School.

In May 2015, the programme was expanded to teach English Integrated Studies (EIS) at RPG 36 Kamala School. This includes 2 hours of English, 2 hours of Science in English, and 2 hours of Mathematics in English for primary grade 1-6.

Due to the recent COVID-19, the Foundation lost two of long term sponsors who provide substantial finance support. The pandemic has severely impacted the Foundation, draining finances and shrinking funding. Due to limited resource, the Foundation has to temporarily suspend work at Baan Kalim School and reduce the number of teachers from 5 to 3.

2. Coconut Club

In October 2008, the Foundation began after-school and weekend programs called "Coconut Club" for the residential students at RPG 36 School. These children, either orphans or their families are unable to look after them, live at school during school term. Currently, there are over 200 residential students at RPG 36 School.

Coconut Club serves the additional function of supporting the Foundation's language programme by supplementing classroom instruction, offering additional opportunities for Thai children to practice their conversational English outside the classroom in a more relaxed social environment. Coconut Club meets 4 times a week, Monday to Thursday 3.30-4.30 pm, whereby a variety of activities will be organized by teachers, volunteer staff and visitors such as arts & crafts, sports, team building games, music lessons, cooking classes, etc.

Our Review Process:

Ms. Kamonchanok Chanton, an officer of the Giving Back Association get information about the Foundation's Phuket Has Been Good to Us Foundation from Khun Graham Haslam, who has provided us with detailed information on financial matters, both income and expenses to be used to make a review report.

Values and Transparency:

Ms. Pensri Thuanthong, Chairman of the Foundation has presented the Phuket Has Been Good to US Foundation's 2021 Annual Report and finance report audited by Mr. Sittichok Kwansong, Certified Public Accountant, Registration No 4346. The Foundation's operating expense and administration expense represented 64% and 20% of donation received, respectively.

<u>Financials</u>	Charity:	Phuket Has	Been Good to	Us Foundation
Thai Baht Receipts and Outgoings	<u>THB</u>	Notional	<u>Notional</u>	
	<u>Audited</u>	Donation	Time Value Volunteers	<u>Total</u>
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2021</u>	2021	<u>2021</u>
Carlo	00.670			00.670
Cash Savings Deposit	89,670 4,468,240			89,670 4,468,240
Current deposit	523,526			523,526
	5,081,436	-		5,081,436
Income				
Donation Cash	2,700,000			2,700,000
Corporate contribution	600,000			600,000
Fund Raising Activities	1,081,404			1,081,404
Bank interest	9,904			9,904
Total	4,391,308			4,391,308
<u>Expenses</u>			_	
Operation Expenses				
Salary	2,200,000	50%		2,200,000 50%
office rent	280,000	6%		280,000 6%
Medicine and Treatment	60,000	1%		60,000 1%
School Equipment	25,854	1%		25,854 1%
Transportation	125,780	3%		125,780 3%
Utilities	100,000	2%		100,000 2%
Depreciation	31,004	1%	_	31,004 1%
	2,822,638	64% -	-	2,822,638 64%
Administration & Marketin	g Expenses			
Salaries-Manager&office	400,000	9%		400,000 9%
Administrative	177,000	4%		177,000 4%
Fund Raising	300,000	7%		300,000 7%
	877,000	20% -	-	877,000 20%
	3,699,638	84%		3,699,638 84%
Cash Surplus (Deficit)	691,670			691,670
% of Operation expenses	64%			64%
% of Overhead	20%			20%