



## International Children's Day

June 1st, 2015



On June 1st is International Children's Day, a public holiday in Cambodia. It also marks the day M'Lop Tapang officially started 12 years ago.

International Children's Day was proclaimed to draw attention to children's issues. This is very important in a country like Cambodia where much of the population lives [below or near the poverty level](#), where almost one third of the countries [children are malnourished](#), and many remain [vulnerable to abuse](#).

Join us in celebrating International Children's Day and help to improve the lives of Cambodian children and youth by making a small donation now.



## A New Bicycle for Roenun

"I feel so lucky like I win the lottery!"



Thanks to your donations our Outreach Team has been providing bicycles to children and youth to help them to get to school easier. 10 year old Roenun was one of those children. [Read more.](#)

## Something to Smile About



New Board Member

Very happy to welcome the newest member to M'Lop Tapang's [Board of Directors](#).

**Dr. Ngim Chanrith** (pictured third from the right) Dean, Faculty of Developmental Studies, Royal University of Phnom Penh.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank **Francesco Caruso** who resigned recently from the Board for his many years of support and guidance to M'Lop Tapang.



Helping Others

Like everyone around the world, the staff here were sad when they learned of the disaster in Nepal.

Until May 31st, one dollar from all special drinks sold at [Sandan](#), and one dollar from each toy sold at [Tapang's](#) Gift Shop will be donated to the relief effort in Nepal.



Cambodian Cooking

This month the staff and students of [Sandan](#), M'Lop Tapang's vocational training restaurant share this recipe for [Pumpkin Amok](#), one of the most popular vegetarian dishes.

## Providing free family dental care



Dr. David is one of the [dental volunteers](#) who donate their time and skills throughout the year to work alongside our Khmer [Medical Clinic](#) staff. "It is an amazing experience to come to M'Lop Tapang and help..." [Read more.](#)

## Education Needs

### New school supplies for 1,000 children



Earlier this month our Education Team provided [new uniforms, shoes, books](#) and other supplies to more than 1000 boys and girls in the "[Back to School](#)" program that attend local public schools.

## Dance, Music, and Circus Acts

### Arts Program students perform on stage



Each month more than 200 Cambodian children and youth participate in



### Under Construction

Construction has started on building of a new Performing Arts Center and a new Night Shelter. Check out future newsletters for updates and more details.



### [7 ChildSafe Traveler Tips](#)

Learn what you can do to protect children.



If you are in the Sihanoukville area and see a child in danger call our

[ChildSafe 24-Hour Confidential Hotline](#)

**M'Lop Tapang**, a local non-profit organization registered with the Royal Government of Cambodia, has been working with the street children of Sihanoukville since 2003.

We currently work with over 4,000 children and 1,500 families in the Sihanoukville area providing shelter, medical care, sports and arts, education and training, counseling, family support and protection from all types of abuse.

[Donate Online Now](#)

M'Lop Tapang uses GlobalGiving UK to accept donations online. Although it is based in the UK, donations can be made online from anywhere in the world.

[Arts Program](#) activities. As well as just having fun, the activities give children the chance to learn about important life lessons like discipline, commitment, and teamwork. Public [performances](#) are scheduled regularly to give students the opportunity to show off what they have learned.

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