



## Interim Progress Report

**Prepared For:** Dinning for Women (DFW)  
**Reporting Period:** 1<sup>st</sup> February 2017- 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017  
**Report Date:** August 2017

This report provides a snapshot of how Dinning for Women has helped change the lives of marginalized girls through its partnership with Mith Samlanh.

You make all that we do possible – on behalf of our beneficiaries,  
**thank you!**

## 1. Project profile

a. Organizational name	Mith Samlanh (MS)
b. Project title	Transitional Shelter for Marginalized Girls in Phnom Penh
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## 2. Outline of the project

**Project goal:** To empower marginalized girls to secure their rights to family, education and employment

The project's Transitional Home (TH) facility is specifically designed for girls who are separated from their caregivers. This includes girls who are separated on the streets, in marginalized communities, in prisons, and in exploitative orphanages. The project intends to directly benefit 120 urban marginalized female children (0-14) and youth (15-24).

The main outcomes of the project are as following:

- R1. Girls are able to stabilize at the TH and receive education during the family reintegration process
- R2. Girls access safe shelter at group homes and are able to attend vocational training classes
- R3. Girls are reintegrated into family based care or alternative care
- R4. Girls have access to education and training during their transition period
- R5. Girls are supported to overcome emotional barriers, access individualized services and sustain the benefits of the project in the long-term

## 3. Project outcomes summary

With the support of this grant, over this reporting period Mith Samlanh provided safe accommodation to **34** girls who are separated from their families (23 girls ages between 0-14 and 11 girls older than 14). The TH is equipped with hygiene facilities, bathrooms, a kitchen, a recreational space and a dining area where the daily meal is provided. The girls live in shared rooms and have their own bed and storage space. As many of these girls have no possessions, they are provided with clothes, sanitary equipment and everything they need. The TH program is run by 12 home parents. All the residents are responsible for house chores, homework, and have access to diverse activities inside and outside the center. Meetings with children are held every week in each center so that children can raise concerns about the services and deal with them instantly. Medical services are also available every day. Counseling and case management support is

provided by social workers and home parents to assist children when they have problems in the TH or in their classes.

Among the **34 girls**, 30 girls staying at TH received support to enroll in training at the Vocational Training Center of Mith Samlanh and public school. The other four girls (siblings) stayed in TH for a very short period of time and were reintegrated back to family. During this period, a total of 10 girls were reunified with their families including: into direct family, foster care families and living independently in Group Home.

The grant has also supported 10 girls in a Group Home, which is similar to a small family arrangement of around 2-5 young people under the supervision of a case manager. The goal of a group home is for the girls to build relationships in the community, to transition to living independently, to develop living skills in a supportive environment, and to learn how to live safely in the community and adapt to adulthood. All the girls living in the Group Home are currently studying at Mith Samlanh's vocational training program (cooking, beauty and sewing VTs) and receive the same services as all the other students in the center.

#### **4. Has funding change for this project?**

- No, it has not. DFW continues to be the main funder of the project and there was no unexpected funding from other sources.

#### **5. Is your organization or project situation different than presented the approved proposal?**

There have been some changes in the project as DFW was informed in November 2016. Mith Samlanh faced some funding shortages in 2016 due to the end of support from its major donors. In order to save funds on operating costs, Mith Samlanh has merged its two Transitional Homes into 1 house, saving about \$6,500 a month in rent/utility costs (a 55% reduction). Mith Samlanh hoped to secure additional funding (alongside DFW's support) to again separate the THs in 2017, however this has not happened as there was no additional new funding. Mith Samlanh took the appropriate measures to maintain its high standards of care for the girls staying at the TH. Girls have separate living quarters, hygiene facilities and a common area of their own on the second floor of the building, separated from the boys area at all times.

**6. Have the number of beneficiaries changed? To report this please refers to the original numbers in your grant proposal under number of women and girl directly impacted and population indirectly impacted.**

- **Target - 120 girls directly impacted.** So far, the project has supported 44 girls directly.
- **Target - 240 indirect beneficiaries.** So far, a total of 132 indirect beneficiaries benefited from the grant. The indirect beneficiaries are the caregivers of direct beneficiaries, who benefited from direct beneficiaries' education and skills training.

**7. What challenges are you facing as you move forward with this project? How are you approaching these challenges?**

- The merging of the 2 THs has raised some challenges specifically on achieving the targets set up at the beginning of the project. Mith Samlanh anticipates some challenges in reaching the targets proposed due to the limited capacity of the house to accommodate higher number of children at the one time. The current capacity of the Transitional Home is approximately 50 children and youth at the one time.
- Currently Mith Samlanh has only one Group Home operational for girls. By the end of the year Mith Samlanh is planning to potentially open a new Group Home for girls depending on the successful identification and selection of candidates. According to Mith Samlanh's criteria, girls are eligible for Group Home if they are over 16 years old, are currently engaged in vocational training or education, are able to care for themselves and demonstrate the ability to live in a group. Priority is given to girls who are currently living in the TH.
- As part of Output 2 *Marginalized girls are reintegrated into family, education, skills training and employment* Mith Samlanh is facing some challenges in supporting the costs of the reintegration and family support of the girls.

**8. Have you revised your original objectives since the project began? If so, why? What are your new objectives?**

- No, the objectives have not changed.

**9. What progress have you made toward achieving your objectives? Please address each stated objective.**

<b>Output 1.</b> Marginalized girls access transitional shelter facilitating their social reintegration		
	<b>Target</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
# girls provided shelter at the Transitional Home	100	- 34 female children/ youth who are separated from their caregivers accessed shelter at the TH during this period.
# girls provided shelter at Group Homes	20	- 10 female youth provided with shelter at one Group Home.
<b>Output 2.</b> Marginalized girls are reintegrated into families, education, skills training and employment		
# girls staying at the Transitional Home receive support to enroll in education during	100	- 30 girls staying at the TH and Group Home received support to enroll in education/training: - 19 girls attended the remedial and support classes at Mith Samlanh. - 9 girls accessed vocational training - 2 girls were supported to be reintegrate into public school
% of girls at the TH receive family reintegration support	100%	- 100% of the girls have a reintegration plan. During this reporting period family assessment and family tracing were conducted for all the girls. As a result, eight girls from TH were reintegrated into family based care including six girls into biological family and two girls in foster care.
% of girls are provided case management support and follow-ups for at least one year	100%	- 100% of the children in TH have case management files open and received ongoing follow up and support including counseling and needs assessments from their social workers.
% of school-aged girls access education	100%	- 100% of school-aged girls accessed the education center of Mith Samlanh.
% of girls who are interested and of-age access training in the vocation of their choice	100%	- 100% of female youth in TH and Group Home who are interested and of-age accessed training in the vocation of their choice.

**10. Do you anticipate any difficulties in completing our project in the timeframe outlined in your proposal?**

- Project activities are on track, however as explained above there might be some challenges in achieving the targets proposed at the beginning of the project.

INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT TO DINING FOR WOMEN

APPLICANT: MITH SAMLANH

PROJECT: TRANSITIONAL SHELTER FOR MARGINALIZED GIRLS IN PHNOM PENH

PERIOD: 1 FEB 2017 - 31 JULY 2017

REPORT: 31-Aug-17

#	EXPENSE	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	ACTUAL EXPENS	BUDGET	REMAINING	%	Explanation
1	PERSONNEL											
1.01	Manager Independant Living	150.00	225.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	1,375.00	3,250.00	1,875.00	58%	
1.02	TH Centre Manager	250.00	375.00	210.00	210.00	210.00	240.76	1,495.76	2,925.00	1,429.24	49%	
1.03	House parents	801.00	1,201.50	855.00	887.87	855.00	910.36	5,510.73	11,700.00	6,189.27	53%	
1.04	Staff Benefit	-	190.00	-	-	-	-	190.00	190.00	-	0%	
		1,201.00	1,991.50	1,315.00	1,347.87	1,315.00	1,401.12	8,571.49	18,065.00	9,493.51	53%	
2	INDIRECT COSTS											
2.01	Transportation/Gasoline	216.16	205.84	60.81	88.98	459.01	169.23	1,200.03	2,160.00	959.97	44%	
2.02	Phonecards for staff	15.00	15.00	29.34	40.00	30.00	30.00	159.34	300.00	140.66	47%	
		231.16	220.84	90.15	128.98	489.01	199.23	1,359.37	2,460.00	1,100.63	45%	
3	DIRECT COSTS											
3.01	Material Support for girls in IL	65.17	47.04	2.50	58.19	16.50	22.54	211.94	1,600.00	1,388.06	87%	Currently only one Group Home is operational. In the next semester, Mith Samlanh is planning to potentially open a new Group Home if suitable candidates are available
3.02	Food Support for girls in IL	135.63	186.99	80.97	227.98	75.92	105.80	813.29	7,000.00	6,186.71	88%	Currently only one Group Home is operational. In the next semester, Mith Samlanh is planning to potentially open a new Group Home if suitable candidates are available
3.03	House Rent for girls in IL	197.64	167.98	188.98	307.67	104.04	181.24	1,147.55	2,400.00	1,252.45	52%	
3.04	Food/ Drink /Snack in TH	-	217.04	61.32	558.82	1,564.69	636.85	3,038.72	9,000.00	5,961.28	66%	
3.05	Hygiene Materials in TH	-	192.70	-	-	158.58	-	351.28	921.45	570.17	62%	
3.06	Recreational materials for TH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	780.00	780.00	100%	Plans are under way to buy recreational equipment for girls in the TH in the next semester.
3.07	Centre Rent	-	600.00	215.00	250.00	250.00	275.00	1,590.00	3,300.00	1,710.00	52%	
3.08	Utilities ( Electricity , water supplies, gas, trash )	100.00	100.00	-	-	169.05	36.00	405.05	1,200.00	794.95	66%	
		498.44	1,511.75	548.77	1,402.66	2,338.78	1,257.43	7,557.83	26,201.45	18,643.62	71%	
4	ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT											
4.01	Head Office Management & Admin	330.64	661.92	500.00	150.00	217.00	150.00	2,009.56	3,273.55	1,263.99	39%	
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GRAND TOTAL		2,261.24	4,386.01	2,453.92	3,029.51	4,359.79	3,007.78	19,498.25	50,000.00	30,501.75	61%	

FUNDS RECEIVED 50,000.00  
 Voucher N° ID1702009  
 Date 27-Feb-17

50,000.00 TOTAL FUND RECEIVED  
 30,501.75 FUND BALANCE



















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