

# CAMBODIA



## **OVERVIEW**

PfD began working in the isolated northeast of Cambodia in the early 1990s, focusing mainly on re-constructing critical water and sanitation infrastructure after the turmoil of the Khmer Rouge. Since 1999, PfD's focus has shifted to improving access to quality healthcare, especially in reproductive, maternal and child health, reducing the burden of malaria and the spread of drug resistant parasites, and improving the livelihoods of families in rural villages through agricultural development.





#### LOCAL SUSTAINABILITY

By working with local partners, PfD has a greater understanding of priority needs and local resources that can help address those needs. By building the capacity of local partners, PfD increases the likelihood that gains will be sustained. PfD works with local partners in design of programs, implementation, and monitoring and evaluation. Local partners include local NGO, community based organizations, faith-based entities, and traditional leadership councils or bodies. In Cambodia, PfD teams up with local partners to support innovative technologies that allow remote communities to access health services and commodities.



#### IMPACT TO DATE

to their community



of workers slept under insecticide-treated nets



of people correctly answered malaria quiz show questions at health events "I was elected as Village Health Volunteer. I received strong encouragement from the PfD staff and wanted to learn everything I could about my new tasks. I have learned the importance of good health and what parents and the community need to do every day in order to improve the health of our families."

> Kim Yeng Village Health Volunteer in Krachech, Cambodia







### AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Partnering with the Cambodian Rural Development Team, PfD has implemented a wide range of community development activities to improve food security and health. To better address water security issues and enhace the livelihoods of fish-farming families, PfD has constructed house-hold rain water collectors, rehabilitated fish aqua-culture ponds, and installed cement bio-digesters to capture methane gas at various village locations in Damrei Phong.

#### MISSION AND VISION

PfD's staff and volunteers work in partnership with local and international groups to improve quality of life for vulnerable people in underserved communities. We envision a more just, peaceful, and environmentally sustainable world, and seek to empower people by increasing their access to training, education, and resources to create more vibrant and resilient communities, with more accountable leadership.

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### HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

PfD's malaria prevention and control program has a primary focus on improving access to early malaria diagnosis and treatment services. PfD has worked to encourage behavior change centered on prevention and treatment of malaria as well as implemented programs to educate communities on safe sex practices for two decades. By engaging village volunteers and authorities, teachers, commune councils, students and local elected officials, PfD is able to attain sustainable development in communities in Cambodia.



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#### ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

PfD works closely with our local partner, Kredit, to issue microfinance loans to small enterprises. These loans are coupled with training and education. In Stung Treng and Kratie provinces, PfD has partnered with the Allen Foundation to improve food security for vulnerable farming households.

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