



Dear Friends at TSD Logistics,

**YOUR FIRST PROJECT
REPORT IS HERE!**

We are so excited to share your first Progress Report!

In the second half of 2022, you made a generous gift to charity: water to provide clean water for people in Cambodia. We are thrilled to tell you that progress is underway. Soon, clean and safe drinking water will bring transformative and lasting change into people's lives, and we can't say thank you enough.

Your gift was sent to our local partner in January, and right now, we're about six months into our 21-month timeline.



This preparation period is crucial for each project's success and sustainability. Our partners have been hard at work obtaining construction permits, purchasing supplies, and collaborating with community members. Community engagement is especially important at this stage, as it creates a sense of ownership and pride in the completed water project.

We'll have more updates for you soon, and we can't wait to share them with you. Thank you again for believing in the same future we do — one in which everyone has access to clean and safe water!

COUNTRY:

Cambodia

LOCAL IMPLEMENTING PARTNER:

CLEAR



Your generous gift:

\$20,000

Total grant amount:

\$3,000,000

ABOUT CLEAR CAMBODIA

Clear Cambodia was founded in 1999 to provide families in rural communities access to safe water, sanitation facilities, and hygiene education. They operate the largest BioSand Filter (BSF) program in the world and implement roughly 22,000 BSFs per year in communities, schools, and clinics. Their work is critical to improving water access throughout Cambodia, where the plentiful water sources are often contaminated by iron, arsenic, or even human waste.

BSFs are a valuable alternative to buying bottled water (a financial impossibility for most rural families) or boiling the impurities out of surface water (which is both time-consuming and harmful to the environment). Layers of gravel, sand, and biofilm are used to remove dangerous toxins. To promote ownership, families assemble their own BSFs and participate in maintenance training.

PROGRESS TO DATE

Your funds were sent to our local partner in January, and the following six months are considered the planning stages of project implementation. Preparation is one of the most important stages of the process. Our partner uses this time to assess and select which communities or schools will receive water points based on factors such as geography, need, community interest, the risk of overlap with other organizations, and the availability of spare parts for future repairs. Once a school, health clinic, or community is determined, construction materials are transported to the site and training begins.

WHAT'S NEXT?

In the next few months, the construction of BSFs will accelerate. Once construction is complete, Clear Cambodia will test the water flow and quality. Every family will also learn how to manage and maintain their BSF. Meanwhile, Clear Cambodia will encourage community members to build latrines and coordinate training covering topics such as sustainability, sanitation, and hygiene. We can't wait to share even more details in your next report!

DID YOU KNOW?

Clear Cambodia's BSF Construction Training program teaches community members how to construct and maintain their own BSFs using local materials such as sand, gravel, and cement. The training program includes both theoretical and hands-on components and aims to empower community members with the skills and knowledge to improve their own access to clean water. So far, the program has trained over 2,000 people in BSF construction and maintenance.

FOR SHARING

*Let people know about your project!
We drafted this message specifically for sharing on social media.*

"Our first water project update has arrived! Clear Cambodia, one of charity: water's local partners, has officially started construction on the project(s) we helped sponsor in Cambodia. We can't wait for people to have the clean and safe drinking water they deserve."

