



2020 IMPACT REPORT

Confronting Despair with Extravagant Hope

The Mae Sot District of Western Thailand, on the border of Myanmar, is known for trade and Burmese migrants and refugees. It has become a region where children are exploited as their families break down. The Charis Project is changing this story by protecting the future of generations to come.



**Families protect children.
We protect families.**

OUR MISSION

We equip families with the wisdom and courage to protect their children and raise them to be the heroes they were born to be.

Our Vision

Our three-year goal is to see 180,000 children thriving in healthy homes and to equip 60,000 families to successfully raise their own children.

Thanks to your generosity, 2020 was a year of significant impact...



FAMILY EDUCATION PROGRAM (FED) - Education that empowers families to stay together

Taught classes covering topics such as pregnancy, early childhood development, positive parenting, and safe/unsafe touch impacting **7,315 beneficiaries**.



FAMILY ENTERPRISE PROGRAM (FEP) - Financial literacy for families in poverty

- Educated 271 people in our basic business training
- Provided household management training for 651 people
- Launched 12 new Village Savings and Loan Associations
- Equipped 26 active VSLAs

Together, in the last 12 months (cont.)...



FAMILY ENGAGEMENT AND RESCUE (FEN) - *Hope for the hopeless*

Encouragement, resources, and counseling to families in crisis

- Supported 48 families in crisis
- Delivered 937 nutrition packages to migrant and hill tribe families



SPECIAL COVID RELIEF INITIATIVES

- Placed 27 water filters in communities, churches, and migrant schools benefitting 1500 people
- Provided house to house hand washing and counter-infection training to 5,218 households including over 25,000 beneficiaries
- Distributed seeds to 3,000 households including Thai families, Burmese families, and hill-tribe families
- Provided 80 families in a completely locked-down community with clean drinking water and a water filter system
- Gave 7,000 families a two-week ration of food as well as masks in cooperation with another local organization

Thriving Families

When you strengthen a family, their children's future becomes bright

By the end of 2020 we:

- ▶ Launched Higher Ground Soccer program on Christmas Day serving 500 at-risk Hill Tribe children and youth to protect them from falling into amphetamine addiction
- ▶ Developed 922 financial stewardship and micro-business trainee families
- ▶ Shared out \$40,539 in savings and profit to VSLA member families
- ▶ Launched our pilot Family Coaching Project

Your generous support through prayer and giving helps families become stronger than ever and protect their children from exploitation. Thank you!

