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Save the Date! 2023 Festival of Light

The 2023 Festival of Light Gala will be held on Friday October 6, 2023, at the Loveland Living Planet Aquarium in Draper. Mark your calendars and be sure to join us as we help transform lives in Cambodia!



March 2023 Expedition

A group of five couples traveled to Cambodia in early March, spending time with our CJF team visiting individuals and families we are helping. A fun part of the trip was we created our own Cambodian version of "Random Acts", providing some life-changing surprises help to several graduates of our Academy of Business Creation! We anticipate another expedition



in early November so send us a reply if you have interest in joining!

Check out a video of one of our visits here!



Making A Difference!

Vorn Sarin lives in Kampong Cham province. After graduating from CJF's Academy for Business Creation class he applied for and received a small business grant from CJF for \$819 to buy some tools and equipment to start a LP gas business (propane). His first month in business he made over \$2,000 in net profit, and his first four months have resulted in \$7,840 in net profit! CJF continues to provide ongoing mentoring and he is happy to see the growth and progress of his new business! He has put in a lot of effort and has worked hard!

Chorng Kheng lives in a small remote village in Battambang province. He is currently married, and has a one-year-old daughter. In the past, he was a farmer. In hopes of improving his livelihood, in 2020 he studied motorcycle repair. In March 2021 he learned about the Academy for Business Creation (ABC) classes offered by Cambodia Job Foundation. He completed the class and received a graduation



certificate in December 2021. The class motivated him to run his own business. In June 2021 he decided to borrow some money from a relative to buy a small piece of land, and build a small shop-house to start his business. The next month, July 2021, he launched his motorcycle repair business. During his first month, he earned less than \$100 per month. He did not have the resources to buy needed equipment and tools, or spare parts for inventory. These constraints made his business run very slowly, and limited what he was able to earn. In January 2022 Mr. Kheng applied for and received a small business startup grant from CJF for \$372. He was able to buy critical equipment including a cutting machine, welding unit, an auto-key making machine, and a drill press. In the first month after purchasing this equipment, he was very surprised that he was able to earn \$223. After 6 months, and with continued mentoring from CJF, he is now averaging \$756 per month in income! That is a dramatically more than what he was making previously, and has had a profoundly positive impact on his livelihood and his family!

It All Starts with ABC!

It all starts with education! Our Academy for Business Creation (ABC) course is a free course provided by CJF that teaches principles of small business management and growth. Some of our students already



have a small business, some want to learn. In every case, before applying for a grant or receiving mentoring, individuals must first complete our ABC course. In many cases, that's all they need to make a huge difference in their existing business or get started with a new one! Last year we had over 800 people sign up for our ABC courses, which we teach in 4 different cities in Cambodia. Currently over 100 individuals are taking the course!

Click to see a video of our classes!

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