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# SPONSOR A STUDENT AT PIO SCHOOL!

Sponsor a student at PIO school to give them the chance of education. At PIO every student is supported so that there are no costs to either the child or their family. Providing education for over 1500 children costs approximately \$350,000 USD per year.

**Your monthly commitment  
could change the life of one of  
these students!**

Knowing that someone far away cares about them and their future will be a great encouragement for a sponsored child.



## ABOUT PIO

The People Improvement Organization (PIO) is a local NGO operating in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. It was founded by Cambodian woman Phymean Noun in 2002. Since that time it has continued to provide quality education and support to children and their families.

In 2008, Phymean Noun was honored with a CNN Top 10 Heroes Award and in 2015 she was commended by the World's Children's Prize and named Child Rights Hero of the year for her struggle for the children who scavenge garbage dumps in Cambodia. The same year, Her Excellency, Hun Bun Rany, the President of the Cambodian Red Cross awarded Phymean the Cambodian Medal of Honor.



# HOW DO I BECOME A SPONSOR?

When you make the decision to sponsor a child the PIO staff will help you select a student based on the needs of the child and their potential to benefit from being sponsored.

Please email an **inquiry** to [sponsorship@peopleimprovement.org](mailto:sponsorship@peopleimprovement.org)

or contact us at

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Sangkat Stung Mean Chey  
Khan Mean Chey  
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PO BOX 766

For more information go to [peopleimprovement.org](http://peopleimprovement.org)



My name is Kum Ratana. I graduated last year and am now teaching high school students at PIO. I was born into poverty as the fifth child in a family of seven children. When I came to PIO in 2007 as a nine year old I had been working on the dumpsite to help my family survive. Now I hope I can be an example to all PIO students of how a life can be transformed when support from PIO is joined with personal strength and an intense desire to succeed

**KUM RATANA, TEACHER AT PIO AND FORMER STUDENT**

My name is Sokreth, I am 15 and currently in Grade 10 at the PIO high school. I am one of the very best students in my class. When I was very young my father died. My mother struggled to raise me and my older brother. So when she heard about PIO in 2007 she decided to send me and my brother to live and study at PIO.

Without PIO my life would have been very different. It is difficult living without my mother but I would probably have worked in the fields. Now, I am able to gain a good education to open the door to a brighter future for my family and myself.

**SOMOL SOKRETH, PIO SHELTER STUDENT**



# SPONSORSHIP FAQ

## CAN I VISIT MY SPONSORED CHILD?

You are welcome to do so, but are required to give PIO notice before doing so. All visits will be supervised by a senior member of staff.

## WHAT UPDATES WILL I RECEIVE FOR THE CHILD I AM SPONSORING?

We can supply you with updates on their academic progress and general well-being. In addition you may write to your sponsored child and they will reply telling you about what they are doing and how they are getting on at school.

## WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A SPONSORED CHILD LEAVES PIO? IF I STOP SPONSORING A CHILD WILL THEY STILL BE HELPED BY PIO?

Most children stay at PIO for several years. However they can leave at any time and there are a number of reasons for that. Family circumstances may have improved and they can return to their immediate or extended family, or they may have reached the end of their schooling and want to join the workforce. If the child you are sponsoring leaves PIO then you will be notified and asked if you wish to sponsor a different child.

Yes, we do not differentiate between children that have a sponsor and those that do not. If you are unable to continue your sponsorship the child remains with PIO and we will endeavour to find a new sponsor for them.