

# Safe Child Thailand Impact Report 2021 - 2022

**Safe  
Child**  
THAILAND





A background photograph showing the lower legs and feet of several children standing on a dry, dusty ground. One child in the foreground wears a blue skirt, red socks, and red sneakers. Another child next to them wears dark pants and sandals with a cartoon character on the strap. A third child in the background wears a blue skirt and sandals.

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# What we do

We are a UK based charity who support outstanding local organisations in Thailand. We all have one common goal – to keep children safe from harm.

## Helping vulnerable children and those at risk...

In large parts of Thailand poverty and severe deprivation are prevalent, meaning that life can be tough for a huge percentage of the population. Furthermore, children who have fled their homes to escape physical or sexual abuse, can be trapped in poverty inescapably.

Thailand being located central of South East Asia, means it's often a destination for economic migrants and refugees. All too frequently, children from these groups find themselves living in poverty and in need of help.



The projects we support offer these children safety, education and hope.

For over 40 years we have been continuously working toward improving lives for children with disadvantages in Thailand; from children with disabilities receiving support and access to education, to those who have been abandoned by their families.



## Strengthening communities

We also help vulnerable women and mothers – many of whom have arrived in Thailand as unwilling victims of human trafficking.

By providing these women with a safe refuge, a chance at education and a sense of empowerment, we are enabling them to lift themselves, and their children, out of poverty. This creates a positive ripple effect for their communities.



# Our organisational strategy

## Our continued focus on care reform.

With over 40 decades of experience, our understanding of residential care has led us to firmly believe that the best place for a child to grow up is in a loving, family environment.

Where a child is unable to be with their parents, we assist residential partners to provide the best care possible; facilities with trained staff and good accommodation.

Looking forward, we will prioritise Care Reform initiatives and have a clearer programmatic focus and approach. We are on a journey to refocus our work to prioritise the best interests of children, supporting family and community development, as well as promoting alternative care solutions.

## We will continue to:

- Work with partners who offer quality residential care
- Develop policies and best practices in care homes
- Reintegrate children into communities and families
- Ensure proper care is provided for children
- Make sure residential care is only used when absolutely necessary



# Fundraising

The Thai ambassador took part in RUNFEST 2021.

The Royal Thai Ambassador Pisananu Suwanajata and the supportive Royal Thai Embassy staff joined forces with Peter Bradley, CEO of Safe Child Thailand, to run side by side, symbolising our shared commitment to the cause. Through their combined efforts and the overwhelming support from donors like you, we are thrilled to announce that we raised a grand total of £15,000 during this remarkable event. These funds will directly contribute to our ongoing initiatives in providing safety, education, and opportunities for vulnerable children in Thailand.

Together, we are making a profound impact and empowering the next generation.

Thank you for being a part of our journey towards a brighter future for these deserving children.





# Developments, activities and achievements in 2021 – 22

We support multiple projects across Thailand. Our programmatic activities aim to:

- **Reduce** the risks facing children
- **Increase** access to services (education, healthcare, welfare etc.)
- **Build** the capacity of local partners working with children
- **Support** care reform projects keeping families together

Our six core programme themes:



Keeping Families Together



Alternative Care Reform



Child Protection and Safeguarding



Education

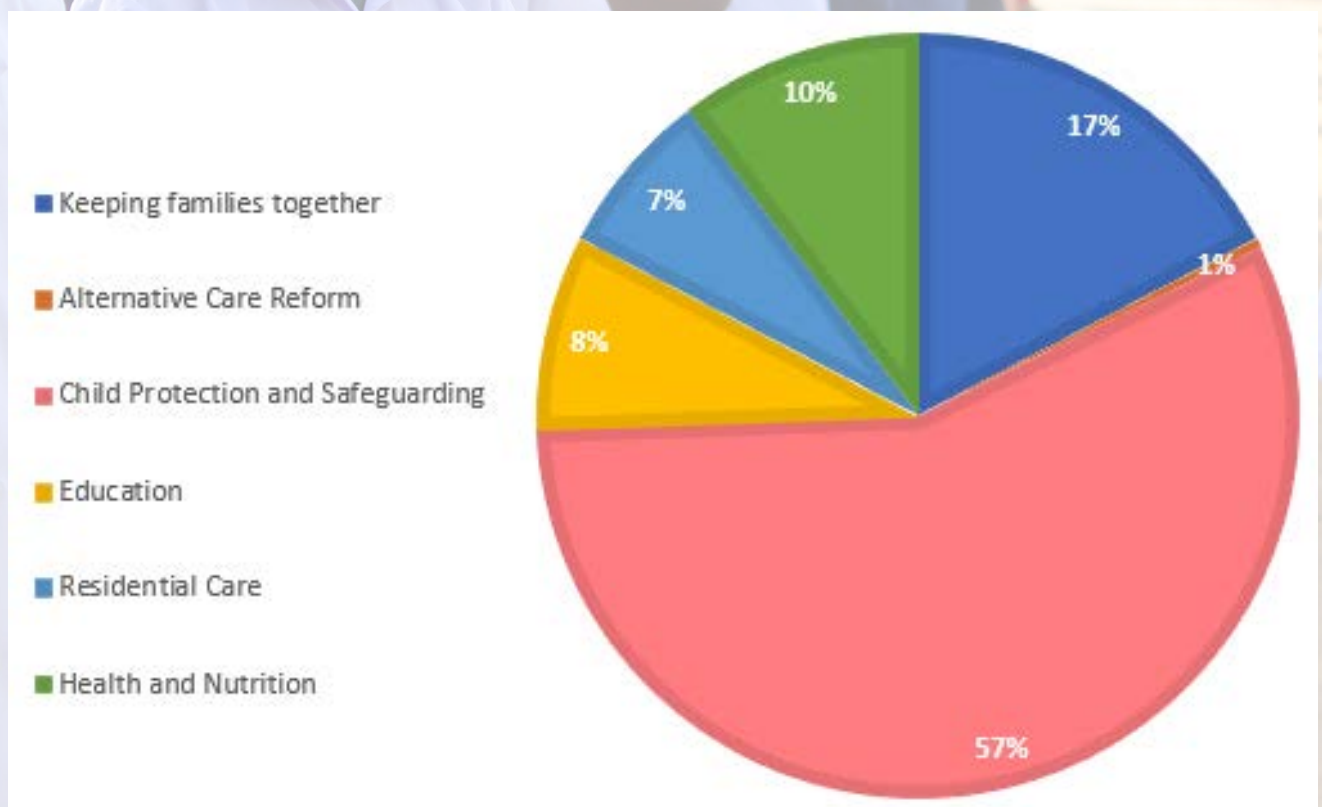


Residential Care



Health & Nutrition

Projects implemented and supported in 2021/22 are discussed below and are featured under the six core themes. The number of children and support staff reached for each project we have contributed to, as provided by our charity partners, is given below.



Total beneficiaries: 9,054



## Keeping Families Together

Beneficiaries: 1,569 across 5 projects and partners

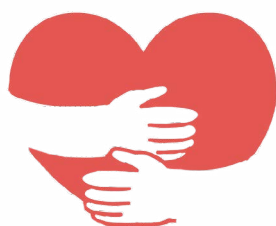
We work with a number of well-established organisations to reduce the number of children who are entering orphanages and institutional care unnecessarily due to poverty, transient families, or lack of opportunity.

The programmes they deliver include training modules in financial inclusion, psychosocial well-being, health, hygiene and the importance of education.



In many cases, these are supplemented with home visits to discuss training topics, and family activities to build relationships and trust.

Supported by Safe Child Thailand, our partners are providing vital outreach work to some of the poorest families and communities.



## Alternative Care Reform

Beneficiaries: 33 across 2 projects and partners

Safe Child Thailand has successfully started the process of raising awareness for the need of Alternative Care.

This includes the transition of an orphanage and conducting national research. The orphanage transition project aims to develop a model for further residential settings to focus on the needs of the child and try wherever possible to connect children with families.



We are working with our partners to develop transition tool kits as well as experience sharing for other homes.





## Child Protection and Safeguarding

Beneficiaries: 5,138 across 7 projects and partners

We continue to support the development of efficient Child Protection practices with our partners and the wider community.

We have supported several institutions in developing, training, and implementing their Child Protection procedures. This also has included family discussion groups, to spread a clear understanding of Safeguarding and Child Protection practices.

Furthermore, we work with a major partner in the Tak Province, to promote capacity building for social workers and professionals, working within education.



In the same province [The Birth Registration project](#) provides documentation to infants and children of migrant parents and supports them to take steps to gain full identification documents so they can access life-changing health, welfare and education opportunities.

The project also runs community awareness campaigns, highlighting the importance and benefits of birth registration and carrying ID papers. The project aims to decrease statelessness and reduce illegal migration and human trafficking.



## Education

Beneficiaries: 747 across 8 projects and partners

Safe Child Thailand's education programme includes providing specialist educational support for vulnerable children including children with disabilities.

The programme also provides scholarships and educational support to children in residential care.

The education support covers the cost of school uniforms, books and materials, tutors and extra-curricular activities.







## Residential Care

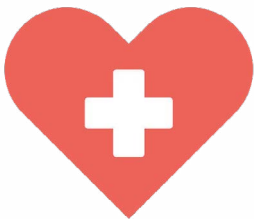
Beneficiaries: 639 across 7 projects and partners

Safe Child Thailand continues to provide residential support where it is absolutely necessary, for the most vulnerable children. Due to extreme hardships children are often abandoned or orphaned and have no safe place to live.

These vital residential care facilities work to provide a refuge for young people to develop, grow and learn in order for them to look forward to a brighter future.

Our support includes:

- A Safe House and educational centre for children living with HIV/AIDS
- A residential care home for vulnerable victims of trafficking and the illegal sex trade
- A home and rehabilitation centre for children with disabilities



## Health & Nutrition

Beneficiaries: 928 across 7 projects and partners

This programme is designed to improve health, physical and mental development by providing food, nutrition and health support to vulnerable and at-risk children.

This includes physiotherapy for children with disabilities, medical support for children living with HIV/AIDS and the provision of wheelchairs.

The programme also provides fresh and dried food for students and staff at:

- 3 Migrant Learning Centres
- 2 boarding houses
- 31 schools and boarding facilities









# Financial Review

## Results for the year

Total income 2022 = £538,844

Total expenditure 2022 = £618,515

Following the outbreak of Covid-19 in 2020, there is a potential impact on the charity's ability to raise funds and on its charitable activities.

A continued impact of Covid-19 is expected for 2022/23, especially on programmatic activities in Thailand.

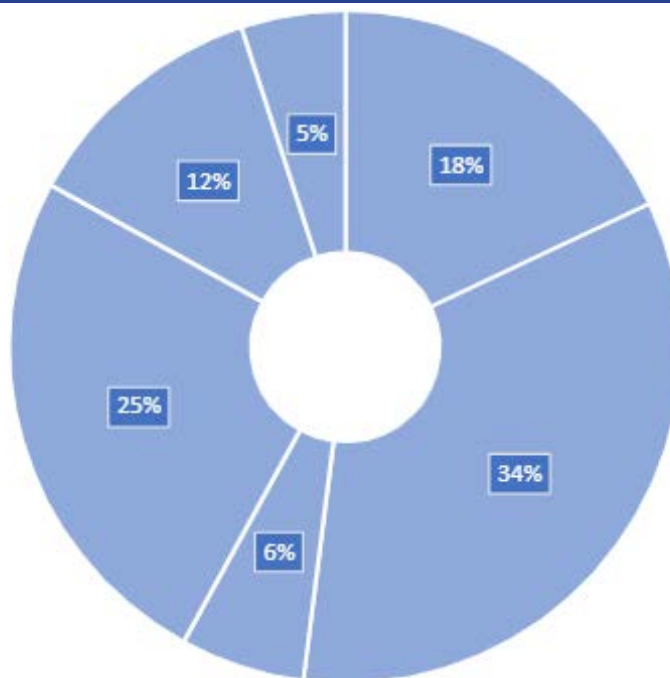
The impact on the economy may have led to reduced disposable incomes, meaning people giving less to charity, including both one-off and regular giving.

Corporate giving is also likely to reduce in the short term. This is as a response to economic uncertainty.



## Programmes Expenditure Breakdown from April 2021 to March 2022

Health and Nutrition: 18%  
 Child Protection: 34%  
 Keeping Families Together: 6%  
 Residential: 25%  
 Education: 12%  
 Alternative Care Reform: 5%





## Future plans and strategies

We will continue to focus on Care Reform working with Thai partner organisations to adopt and develop new initiatives. Raising awareness of Child Protection and Safeguarding will remain central to our work as will the importance of ensuring that children with disabilities will feature on all our Care Reform themes.

During the next year we aim to open a bank account held within Thailand to receive and distribute in-country donations, This will be facilitated by an additional member of staff, Thailand based, who will scope new in country funding opportunities.







# Thank you for all your generosity

We're very grateful for the generosity of the public. The donations enable us to continue to work hard protecting children in Thailand, and we're even more appreciative for your support during challenging economic times.

We're very aware of the need to raise monies in an ethical manner compliant with the fundraising rules laid down by the Fundraising Standards Board.

We strive to ensure that you're kept informed of progress we've made and successes achieved, as well as shedding light on the issues facing children in Thailand and its border countries.

# Thank you!



# Structure, Governance and Management

All Trustees of the charity constitute company directors for the purpose of company legislation. Existing Trustees have the power to appoint additional Trustees as they consider necessary. The Trustees who served throughout the year were as follows:

Mr S Buckley

Mr A Chatikavanij

Dr S Conway

Mr F L Cremer

Mr S Landy

Mr M Patterson

Resigned 10 March 2022

Appointed 15 May 2021

## Key management personnel

The Trustees consider that they together with the CEO, Head of Development and the Programmes Manager comprise the key management of the charity in charge of directing and controlling, running and operating the charity on a day to day basis.

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