

Aun's*dream of having a home came true with generous support from donors





20,000 children are not as fortunate.

Last year, Safe Child Thailand assisted 9,000 children. However there are still 20,000 children living on the streets of Bangkok alone.

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Who is Safe Child Thailand

We are a dedicated UK-based charity committed to making a positive, lasting change for and with children. Every decision we make is driven by our commitment to upholding children's rights.

Our collaborative approach entails working in partnership with local organisations in Thailand who share our common goal and vision. Together, we strive to create a safe and secure environment for children, shielding them from harm, and ensuring a bright and promising future for each and every child.





During this year we have managed to raise £6,130 in donations from online fundraisers and social media campaigns and a further £2,000 from community groups who kindly supported our teacher training programme in Mae Sot.

We raised an additional £4,803 from other community fundraising activities such as the Magic of Thailand, and Richmond RUNFEST which took place during the year.

We are very grateful for the generous support of EP Legal Services and the Anglo Thai Society enabling us to reach even more children and families in need of assistance.





Care Reform Matters Conference

In February 2023, the Safe Child Thailand Team travelled to Bangkok for two conferences to forward Care Reform in Thailand.

On 7th of February 2023, Safe Child Thailand partnered with a local network of organisations advocating Care Reform in Thailand to host a National Conference. A total of 179 people attended the conference with representatives from the Royal Thai Government's Department of Children and Youth, Provincial Chiefs, Directors of Children and Family Shelters, Directors of the Government Welfare Homes, Academics, the Social Work Professions Council, and the Thailand Association of Social Workers. An additional 3,900 joined the conference online.

The conference was the launch of a roadmap to care reform in Thailand which was been signed on by different departments within the Royal Thai Government, a huge step towards getting the government behind care reform. Topics at the conference covered: Family support and strengthening to prevent unnecessary alternative care; Screening process and mechanism to prevent unnecessary family separation; Provision of quality and diverse child care services, particularly alternative care in a family-based environment; Increasing family-based alternative care services - prioritising kinship care and foster care services as primary options, should it be necessary for the child to be separated from their family; Decreasing reliance on institutional care, ensuring it is the last resort for alternative child care.

On the 11th of February 2023, Safe Child Thailand hosted our own conference with our own local partners on why Care Reform Matters. A total of 45 people attended the conference from organisations working in care across Thailand. Topics of the day included working with children with disabilities, transition support for homes, child protection, empowering young people's voices in residential homes, the UN Guidelines on Alternative Care, and family strengthening. At the end of the event, residential homes made pledges as to what steps they will be taking towards reforming their care practices.



Youth Education Programme (YEP)

This brand new programme in Thailand aims to provide young people with a structured pathway towards a brighter future for themselves and their families. YEP initiatives are designed to assist families in facilitating their children's access to various vocational education opportunities, such as attending hairdressing schools, auto mechanic apprenticeships, restaurant training programmes, amongst others, all while staying within their familial environment.

Furthermore, YEP aims to enhance employability, equipping them with the necessary skills and knowledge to embark on successful career paths, thus enabling them to contribute more effectively to the well-being of their families.

For this programme, £26 per month is able to empower young people pursue further education and provide essential assistance to their families. This support encompasses various aspects, including family assistance, access to vocational education centres or training programmes, as well as guidance on career choices and mental health counselling services.

Safe, Equal & Enabling for Children with Disabilities (SEED)

The other new programme created in the past year is the SEED programme which aims to ensure that children with disabilities and their families have the opportunity to access education, actively participate in society, and lead lives of dignity and productivity. Through SEED, families will receive crucial support, enabling parents to work without the burden of leaving their children unattended at home.

Moreover, teachers will undergo additional training to enhance their capacity to effectively support children with disabilities in educational settings. The programme will incorporate physiotherapy interventions to alleviate symptoms, in hopes to enhance the quality of life for these children.

A donation of £26 per month can directly assist families in accessing essential services. These include livelihood support, such as provision of dry food, establishing a supportive network for parents, and offering rehabilitation training and physiotherapy for children with disabilities. The funds will teacher training initiatives geared towards better supporting children disabilities and those with special educational needs within the educational system.

Childs' **Voice**



Since the start of our project since recieving the grant, our activities have encompassed a diverse range of initiatives aimed at empowering teenagers as change agents to support children and young people in residential care institutions. The goal is to ensure their participation in the decision-making process and to foster positive development among the Child's Voice Future Leaders (CVFLs). The project has included a two-day training programme, follow-up sessions, meetings with boarding house administrators, and an evaluation trip. Additionally, we introduced and conducted supplementary activities throughout the project duration.

These activities included Roundtable talks, which were well-received and recommended for inclusion in future iterations. The Child's Voice project has largely achieved success in meeting expected outcomes across various indicators, such as Personal Development training, Mental Health, and Skills Development. Feedback from young participants indicates they have formed new friendships, actively engaged in discussions, and gained confidence in interacting with teachers. This initiative has not only benefited the CVFL's but has also had a positive impact on participants from the boarding houses, leading to overall improvements in communication and socialisation.

Direct beneficiaries

- 16 CVFL's (8 male students, 8 female students)
- 8 teachers (4 male teachers, 4 female
- teachers)
- 32 non-CVFL students from roundtable talks (16 male students, 16 female students)
- 12 non-CVFL students from Drugs & Youth society workshop (8 male students, 4 female students)

Indirect beneficiaries:

- 70 students from a boarding house (29 male students, 41 female students)
- 37 students from a boarding house (17 male students, 20 female students)
- 40 students from a boarding house (13 male students, 27 female students)
- 292 students from a boarding house (146 male students, 146 female students)



Welcoming our Ambassadors!

SCT Youth Ambassadors represent Safe Child Thailand on their university campus. They raise awareness of Safe Child Thailand's work to ensure that children grow up in a safe and nurturing environment and they help to raise funds that support our local partners in Thailand.

"I'm very excited for my journey with SCT! I look forward to making any sort of impact big or small for those less fortunate. I also wish to inspire younger generations to share, be kind and mindful of underprivileged children around the





Ursula

"Hi, I'm Ursula! I'm a Politics and International Relations student at SOAS in London, and having already loved my previous work with SCT as an English conversation mentor, I'm really excited to explore this new area of the charity, meet new people, and help out as a Youth Ambassador."

Natasha

"I wanted to be a Youth Ambassador for Safe Child Thailand because I believe that every child deserves a safe and happy childhood. I'm passionate about collaboratively creating positive, systemic changes, and I know that Safe Child Thailand is doing important work to help protect vulnerable communities. I'm so excited to be a part of this team and to help make a difference!"





"I am so excited to join SCT as a youth ambassador to help continue their incredible work improving the lives of children in Thailand."

"My Social Anthropology degree taught me that the world is full of new information day in and day out and as students in this world we need to engage and open those doors to learn about this information and make our selves familiar in a world of unfamiliarity. I am determined to strive and learn more and more about SCT and bring my ideas forward to help raise awareness and expand my knowledge in an area I have not explored before. As a person interested in expanding their experience and knowledge within NGO's for her future I am glad to start my journey with Safe Child Thailand."





Vanessa

"When one cannot see impact happening, it becomes difficult to continue believing in the cause. Yet, as a previous English Conversation Mentor for SCT, I have seen before my very own eyes the powerful work that SCT does and the noticeable impact that it has upon the children. Thus, being part of SCT as an ambassador is part of the continued experience of striving to promote an impactful and important cause with an organisation that has authenticity and impact as its ethos."

"I decided to join SCT as a youth ambassador to promote their mission and encourage civic engagement among young people."





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"After watching A Tale of Thousand Stars (2021), I understand the dilemma of under-privileged children, especially those from underdeveloped villages, and volunteers who have been trying to help. Inspired by this meaningful Series Wai, I would like to contribute my effort and time into the projects of SCT in order to bring positive influences to children's life like Tian does in the series."

"Being a Southeast Asian myself, I empathise with the struggles currently faced by people in Thailand and would love to contribute my work to improve the living conditions of the people in Thailand. I hope to look back a year later and feel proud of what I have achieved throughout the year with Safe Child Thailand, "





Neeraja

"Starting out my professional journey at the age of 18 with a children's NGO in India, solidified my profound calling to advocate for the rights and well-being of children. I discovered my true vocation. The opportunity to work for Safe Child Thailand, advocating for children in Thailand, fills me with profound enthusiasm, as it is within this meaningful endeavor that I aspire to dedicate my skills and experiences. I ardently look forward to collaborating with like-minded individuals in the pursuit of safeguarding and empowering young lives in Thailand, as we strive to create a brighter, safer, and sustainable future for these"vulnerable members of society.

"The reason why I wanted to join is because I believe in the power of education and the importance of creating a level starting point for every child to fulfil their own potential."



"My name is Lena and I am excited to join SCT as a Youth Ambassador. I believe every child has the right to a bright future, to gain access to all available opportunities and to enable their full potential. I want to make a difference and help children in Thailand live healthy, happy and safe lives."









Modupe

"I joined SCT to raise awareness of the current state of vulnerable children and to inspire others to partake in this pursuit of empowering these children through quality education, healthcare and a safe environment."

"As a masters student nearing the end of her degree, one of the most important and meaningful things I did during my degree was being a part of the English Conversation Mentor Programme. I am thrilled to continue my journey with Safe Child Thailand in a more proactive way. I am passionate about working with vulnerable groups and children are on the top of the list for me, this combined with my degree in humanitarianism, aid and conflict allows me to understand these issues more deeply and work more effectively. I can't wait to contribute further to Safe Child Thailand's goals!'



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Activities and Achievements

(Development, Activities and Achievements)

Programmatic development

Safe Child Thailand supports partner organisations and projects across Thailand. Our programmatic activities aim to:

- **Support Care Reform projects**
- Keeping families together;
- Reduce the risks facing children by supporting Child Protection programmes;
- Increase access to services (education, healthcare etc.); and
- Build the capacity of local partners working with children.

0.		Direct Beneficiaries	Indirect Beneficiaries
	Health and Nutrition	2,145	503
80	Child Protection and Safeguarding	2,966	9,000
AT/SAFE CHILD	Keeping Families Together	173	45,355
MAHWIX	Residential	2,325	
ER: NISHAT MAHW	Education	978	233
PHOTOGRAPHI THAILAND	Alternative Care Reform	538	32,786



Alternative Care Reform

Total expenditure: £95,180

Safe Child Thailand has taken a pioneering role in advancing alternative Care Reform in Thailand through launching a range of comprehensive programmes, including a residential home transition project and research initiatives. One significant endeavour is the Home Transition Project, which seeks to establish a pilot project for the numerous homes across Thailand. In collaboration with partners, SCT is developing transition toolkits and facilitating the exchange of experiences to benefit other residential homes. Additionally, Safe Child Thailand has formed a partnership with Mahidol University, Bangkok, to conduct research that involves mapping out residential homes in Thailand. This research serves as a foundation for subsequent advocacy efforts within the field of alternative Care Reform.

Our in-country partner has produced two research papers that have been presented at the National Alternative Care Conference in Bangkok and other media events, effectively disseminating valuable insights. Safe Child Thailand has also hosted two conferences targeting distinct stakeholders. Both conferences shared a common goal of advocating for the significance of Care Reform in Thailand while also showcasing best practices related to various aspects of Care Reform.

With the aim of introducing and reiterating the United Nations Guidelines on Alternative Care, Safe Child Thailand has organised training sessions for local NGOs. This initiative is geared towards empowering practitioners to implement operational changes within their own services and residential centres.

Safe Child Thailand's signature project, "Child's Voice," positions the empowerment of children in residential care at the core of care reform. This project has been warmly embraced by children and young adults, as well as local partners who recognise its importance in promoting meaningful change within the care system.

We worked with 4 partners, 538 Direct Beneficiaries and with over 32,786 **Indirect Beneficiaries**

Keeping Families Together Total expenditure: £5,000

Families with children who have disabilities often opt for residential care. However, our principle is on keeping families together by providing comprehensive support to families with children who is on keeping families together by providing comprehensive support to families with children who is on keeping families together by providing comprehensive support to families with children who is on keeping families together by providing comprehensive support to families with children who is on keeping families together by providing comprehensive support to families with children who is on keeping families together by providing comprehensive support to families with children who is on keeping families together by providing comprehensive support to families with children who is on keeping families together by providing comprehensive support to families with children who is on keeping families together by providing comprehensive support to families with children who is only together to dissuade parents from choosing to send their children to care is only together together to dissuade parents from choosing to send their children to care is only together t centres.

Our approach includes tailored physiotherapy activities and physical rehabilitation that are customised to each child's specific disability. The programme addresses the overall health, development, and well-being of children with disabilities. A dedicated full-time professional nurse is available to offer holistic care encompassing prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation across physical, mental, and social aspects.

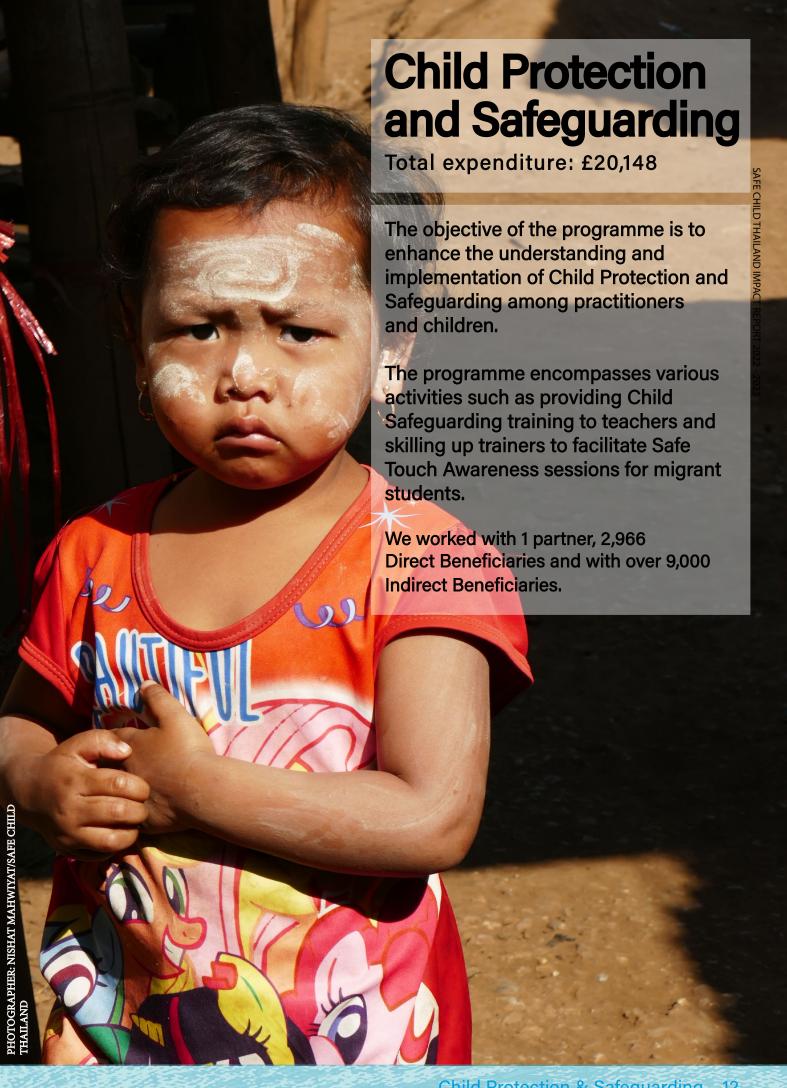
For children with intellectual disabilities, occupational therapy is provided to help them learn essential life skills and daily routines. Additionally, art therapy activities and access to a vocational training room enable children to enhance their drawing abilities, including techniques like working with light and shadow and creating 3D drawings. As part of its support, we also provide dry food packages to families with disabled children.

We extend community-based rehabilitation services to families with children who have disabilities within their communities. Collaborative partners offer in-house rehabilitation training to parents, enabling them to provide care at home and reducing the need to bring their disabled children to external centres.

Parental training is a key component, specifically tailored to parents of children with disabilities. Mentorship is also extended to the Parents Club of Disabled Children. All these efforts are geared towards providing robust support to parents and families, emphasising our commitment to promoting family cohesion and well-being.



We worked with 4 partners, 173 Direct Beneficiaries and with over 45,355 Indirect **Beneficiaries**





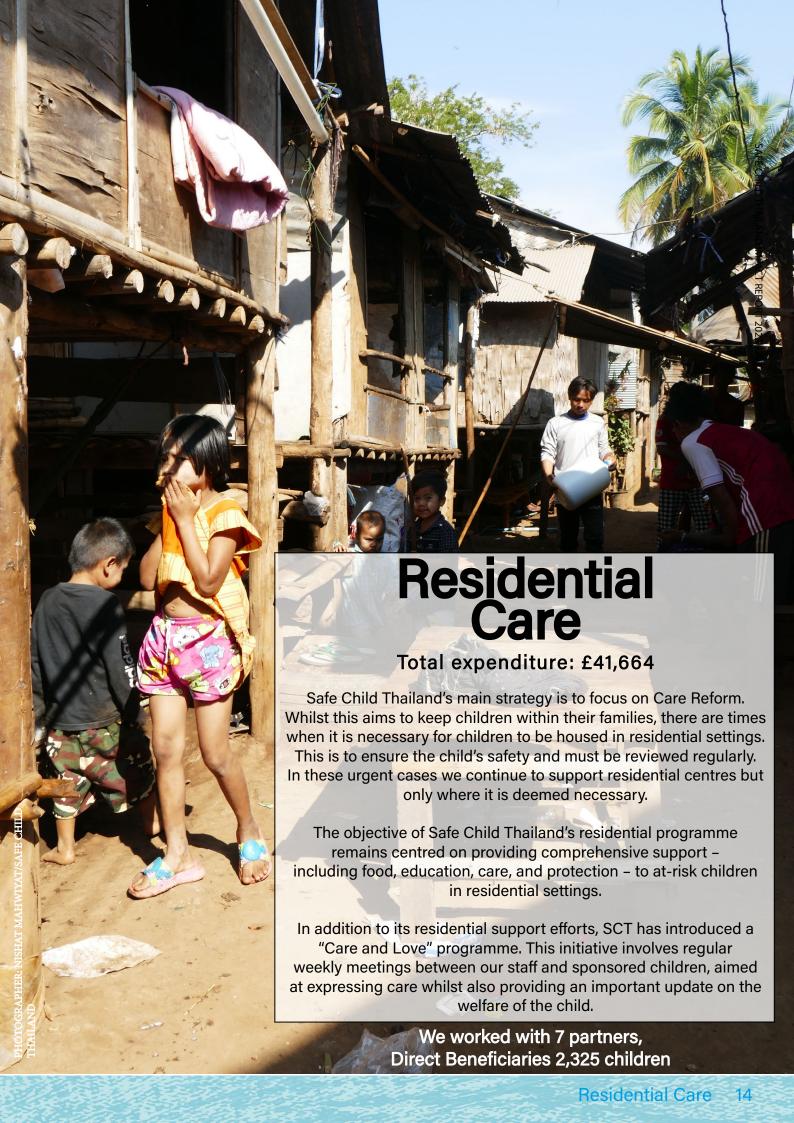
Education Total expenditure: £78,471

The SCT education programme is designed to extend educational assistance to students facing challenges. This support encompasses education scholarships and the provision of new school uniforms. Moreover, the programme seeks to enhance the overall quality of education for underprivileged children, offering opportunities such as extra tutorial classes during summer breaks, engaging summer camps, dynamic sports activities, and scout camps.

Additionally, the education programme is committed to aiding young adults attending vocational schools by imparting skills that enable them to achieve independent livelihoods.



We worked with 8 partners, 978 Direct Beneficiaries and with over 233 Indirect **Beneficiaries**



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Health and Nutrition

Total expenditure: £38,050

This programme aims to enhance the overall health and well-being, both physically and mentally, of children by offering nutritional support and healthcare services to those who are vulnerable or at risk. Additionally, the programme supplies fresh water and nutritious food to students at Migrant Learning Centres and residential settings. Safe Child Thailand's health programme includes medical check-ups, as well as the promotion of physical health development activities.

Furthermore, Safe Child Thailand collaborates with local partners in Mae Sot on a mental health project, which involves conducting awareness sessions on mental health and social well-being at Migrant Learning Centres and within communities. In addition, SCT has organised Psychological First Aid (PFA) training sessions for local people from Migrant Learning Centres.



We worked with 7 partners, 2,145 Direct Beneficiaries and with over 503 Indirect Beneficiaries

Financial Performance

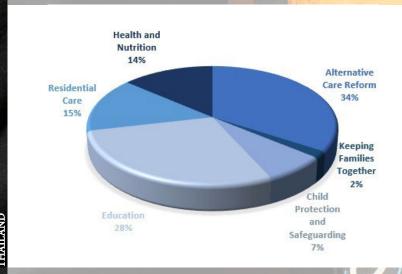
Financial Review

Results for the year April 2022 - March 2023

Total income = £543,676Total expenditure = £708,928

Within the financial year 2022-2023, Safe Child Thailand has directly benefited 9,125 children and their families and indirectly benefited up to 87,876 children and families at risk of poverty and harm.

As of 31 March 2023, the charity had total funds of £506,873 (2022 - £672,125). Of this total, £71,524 (2022 - £102,905) is restricted and held for application towards specific projects and/or activities. A further £30,000 (2022 - £50,000) has been designated to cover the cost for the office accommodation and £456 represents tangible fixed assets. Free reserves, general funds, at 31 March 2023 totalled £404,893 (2022 - £519,220) and equated to 5.9 months' expenditure based on the budget for the next financial year, falling in line with the desired level set out in the charity's reserves policy.





Working in Partnership

Our Approach

Safe Child Thailand are supported by a small group of committed partners who help make a huge difference to the lives of children in Thailand.

Our approach to working with businesses is one of collaboration. We will work together with you to plan clear and mutual goals as well as methods to engage your workforce.







We have a range of partnership options to suit any kind of business

- **Sponsorship**
- Cause Related Marketing
- Strategic Skill Based Volunteering for **Employees**
- **Payroll Giving**
- Charity of the Year



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We are always keen to discuss how we might work together.

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Governance

The trustees who served throughout the year or who have been appointed since 31 March 2022 were as follows:

Mr S Buckley – Chairman Dr S Conway Mr F L Cremer Mr M Hurley Mr S Landy Mr M Patterson

(appointed 12 May 2022)

Chief Executive Officer - Peter Bradley



