

WHO WE ARE

Hands Across the Water is an Australian charity that provides a life of choice for disadvantaged children in Thailand. Hands was established in 2005 after our founder Peter Baines OAM was introduced to the kids of Takua-Pa who had lost their parents in the 2004 Boxing Day Tsunami. 15 years on, Hands now operates in seven different locations across Thailand, supporting at-risk children - giving them a safe home and a valuable education.

The money raised with Hands is used to provide the life-saving necessities for the kids in our homes and importantly, supporting many families in an outreach program keeping kids out of our homes. We know the best place for kids when all things are equal is in a family. When that doesn't exist we provide a home for those kids, which really is just one big family.

The kids who live with us are because of one of three situations. They have no known family to care for them, they have a family member who is known to them but is unable to care for them, or they are living in an unsafe environment and have been placed in our care by the police or government.

Each and every child who spends a month, a year or their formative years growing up with us is valued and matters. Because every child matters.



THE DIFFERENCE WE'VE MADE



We currently have 46 students at University



We fund seven projects across Thailand



100% of donations go to the children and communities we support



Each night over 350+ children will sleep in a comfortable bed waking up safe



0% of donations are spent on administration or fundraising



We have raised over AU\$27,000,000



Our bike riders have ridden a combined distance of more than 536,000km



In one year we provide 328,000+ meals to the children and communities we support



We have had 1,000+ people ride with us



Running our homes costs \$1.9m per year

OUR HOMES

Home Hug, Yasothon
Baan Home Hug is home to 130 children today, many of whom have HIV and either do not know or have no connect with their parents.



Home Hug, Surin
In March 2012, a second home was built out at Surin as an extension of the Yasothon family, providing a home for children during the week who are unable to attend schools in Yasothon.



The New Life Project, Kanchanaburi
In 1996, The Duang Prateep Foundation established The New Life Project in Kanchanaburi Province, for children and young women who face problems from both their families and society to rehabilitate, restore the children's lives and mental health in a safer and happier environment.



Pama House, Chanthaburi
PAMA House is a home based in the south east of Thailand that was opened in March 2015. It is currently home to 18 at-risk children from the local community.



The New Life Project, Chumpon
Run by our Thai partner, the Duang Prateep Foundation (DPF), this project gives boys who are at risk from drugs, exploitation, abuse and crime a place to call home. They learn skills such as farming and learn to live and work together.



Baan Tharn Namchai & Baan Nam Khem Community Centre and Tsunami Refuge, Khao Lak
The first home - Baan Tharn Namchai - opened in August 2006. Today, Baan Tharn Namchai is home to more than 100 children. Baan Nam Khem provides a nursery and childcare for over 50 Baan Tharn Namchai and community children

