

Helping people to help themselves

Annual Report 2024

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From our President

We are looking back to a great year 2024 with more renovations and caretaking of our existing projects and facilities.

The foster children program could be extended and new foster kids were taken into our care program with matching foster parents. We are grateful for the quick responses of people wanted to help. Also some new and unexpected donations came in which helped us a lot to improve, repair and maintain necessary things in the children homes.

And nothing is more rewarding than seeing the kids and students growing up with hope for a better future for their families and for themselves.

"Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good."

Thank you all for your time reading my short intro, thank you for your help and support throughout 2024, we are looking forward to a new and challenging year.

Sincerely,

Wanida Oberg



Introduction

The Rain Tree Foundation is a grassroots social non-government organization registered under the Ministry of Interior in Thailand working among rural and underdeveloped communities.

Our aim is to help people and especially children through education, appropriate technology and self-help projects to improve their living standards. The organization was founded in 1992. It has grown over the years and now serves many communities in Thailand.

Present projects are children & student homes, day-care centers, agricultural & farming projects, informal vocational training, providing appropriate water filter systems, education at rural schools mostly through our volunteering program.



Children in the Garden Eden student home took a picture with school uniform.

Organizational Overview

It all started in 1992 with the organization "Thai Care", which is committed to helping children in need in Thailand. Since 2009, the former Thai Care program became Rain Tree Foundation in Thailand and Thai Care e.V. in Germany. It has grown over the years and now we serve and support many communities within various different projects.



Thailand

administration - office
project coordination
accounting
project implementation
support team & field staff

CHILDREN PROJECTS

5 children homes
2 foster children programs
1 student home
(health care & education,
activities music camps, vocational
training, games & toys, safe
environment for body and soul)

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

training, seminars & workshops
drinking water & water supply
eye-glass project
social enterprise start up
sustainable technologies
agriculture & handicraft projects
volunteering

2024 Highlights

It is said that, "If you pour yourself out for the hungry and satisfy the desire of the afflicted, then shall your light rise in the darkness"

We would love to tell you everything of what we've done, experienced and accomplished. With your help we could make a positive impact on the lives of so many children and communities.

Thank you for caring for the needy and poor.

A summary of our present children projects:

- Mae Na Chorn children's home 22 children, 11 girls and 11 boys
- Mae Hae children's home 37 children, 22 girls and 15 boys
- Ranong children's home 4 children, 2 girls and 2 boys
- Garden Eden student home 16 students, 10 girls and 6 boys
- Wat Chan foster children project 94 children, 61 girls and 33 boys
- Mae La Noi foster children project 106 children, 56 girls and 50 boys
- Khun Yuam children's home 16 children, 7 girls and 8 boys

169 girls and 125 boys, 294 children and young adults have been given the chance of education, healthy food, a safe and loving environment and exposure to the gospel.

In 2024 from all children in our care, 24 children graduated successfully.

Our community projects:

- BioSand household drinking water filters 65 filters installed
- WASH trainings & basic medical care for over 580 children and adults
- Toothpowder and soap making project continued for 100 children and students
- Eye glass project 1.800 glasses given out
- English teaching & technical volunteer program
- Karen Coffee cooperative and social enterprise 41.000 kilos of coffee cherries have been picked and processed into 6.400 kilos of dry green coffee beans
- Sustainable agro forestry and food supply around 1.200 more forest trees, fruit trees and herbal trees have been planted as well as uncountable amounts of vegetables
- 4.300 kilos of rice supplied to children, families and communities in need
- 1.200 kilos of blankets, pillows, towels, jackets, shirts, pants, socks, mosquito nets given out to children and families in need

Mae Na Chorn - Children's Home



Children of the Mae Na Chorn Children's Home take a group picture with school uniform

In the Mae Na Chorn children's home we took care of 22 children and teenagers. 9 of them graduated the secondary school and are attending vocational school and universities. 9 new children from remote villages had the need to stay with us for a safe environment, proper nutrition and further education.

We've been grateful to receive donations such as sport equipments, school supplies, food supplies, clothes and much, much more. The best students have been honored for good grades, all relatives and parents joined biannual the worship and meeting for the new school term.





Children in the Mae Na Chorn children's home take a photo with donated sport equipments.





Weekend activities together









Children in the Mae Na Chorn children's home took photos with the donated items, such as the freezer, winter jackets, and wardrobes.





The children are working together to plant vegetables so that they can have pesticide-free vegetables to eat in the children home.



Graduation ceremony in 2024





We are improving the agricultural area for the children home to expand the vegetable garden and raise animals





We are repairing the fence within the children home to ensure the safety of the children while living there.









The children from Thai-German School Chiang Mai joined activities with the children in the children home and visited the school in Mae Na Chorn.









Christmas celebration at children home.

Mae Hae - Children's Home

In the Mae children's home we took care of 37 children and kids. 6 of them are still going to kindergarten. It's always a challenge with the youngsters ©



Children in the Mae Hae children's home take a photo with school uniform





The children in the children home participated in the Children's Day activities organized within the village.





The children eat together and do their homework together.

We are really appreciative of any donations made for the kids at Mae Hae Children Home, including the rice, school supplies, sporting goods, towels, raincoats, shoes, and pajamas.













The children took photos with the donated sports equipment and raincoats.





Graduation ceremony in 2024





We regularly review WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) with the children to raise their awareness of the importance of maintaining their personal hygiene.





The children spend time praying together in the evening.

Ranong-Children's Home

The Ranong children's home was established in 2004 together with the local church right after the Tsunami hit Asia. The kids and young adults are from the Mooken tribe or Sea gypsies and 2 girls and 2 boys stayed in 2024 with us.

The lifestyle next to the Andaman Sea is different than in the mountains of Northern Thailand. But still a small vegetable garden and some fruits trees help to have additional food. Gardening activities and handcraft have been extended and it so great seeing those young adult giving back to their community too.



They participated in activities with the church in the village.

Garden Eden-Student Home

Garden Eden, as the name states, is aimed to be another safe and loving home for young adults and students. In 2024, more trees have been planted, more workshops done, an adobe house to grow mushrooms finished, more intern taken in, and much more...

In 2024 Garden Eden Student home we took care of 16 children. And we do further training and education was offer such as money management, cooking and handicrafts.

Beside given the students a loving home and the possibility to study further plans are made to extend the farmland to sustainability and also to have onsite workshop for practical non-formal education.



The children took a group photo in front of the children home.





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WASH training and soap making



We grow vegetables and use them to cook meals within the student home. We also sell some of the vegetables to generate additional income to support student home.









On weekends, the children spend time together on field trips to various tourist attractions in Chiang Mai, providing them with new experiences and learning opportunities around them.





Graduation ceremony in 2024





A photo with donated items, such as a keyboard and a fan.





English learning activities in the evening.



We have installed more solar panels at the student home.







The children took a photo with the school bus before heading to school in the morning.

Foster Children Program - Mae La Noi and Wat Chan

Our foster children program started almost 10 years ago with the approach to help more children in need but without the need of facilities and a lot of staff. Fortunately we have now 6 field staff which are dedicated to help and oversee the foster children program directly.

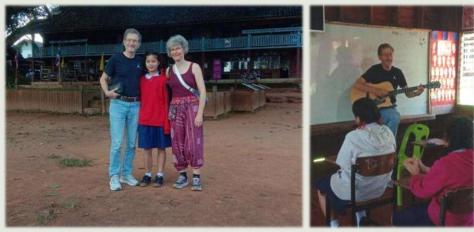
The children within the foster care program are still able to attend the local schools and have as safe home and loving families but lacking in basic needs like enough food, clothes and school support. Through the ongoing support from donors and foster parents we have been able to grow our foster children program to take care of over 180 children together in Mae La Noi area as well as in Wat Chan area.

Still some foster parents came to visit their foster children together with our team and spend a good time together.





Our office staff visiting the children at their homes



Foster parents visiting



More gifts from foster parents, such as school supplies, essentials and toys, always make the kids' faces brighter





The children are always happy when they receive gifts from foster parents on special occasions.



Foster children visit by our staff

We care about any age, from the youngest to young adults; their smiles are making all the hard work worthwhile. And our staff is doing their best to take care of each individual child and their situation.

Ranong-Children's Home



Our Community Projects

There is quite a lot what we do and our main focus is still on children care but we also do some community projects. We don't want to write a lot but show at least some pictures of what we've done the past year. Hope you enjoy ©











BioSand Filter transport, training and installation for families in remote village for safe and clean drinking water





This year, we received support from a fan club of a Thai celebrity to provide water filters to the villagers living on the mountain, ensuring they have access to clean drinking water.





We have also received support with the donation of over 20 water filters to three villages.





Karen Coffee project and village cooperative: help 60 families having a regular and fair income. Every process is done by Karen families from picking ripe coffee cherries until the dried green coffee bean.





Donation box project













We have received many donated glasses and have passed them on to people on the mountain who needed.

Special visited



AVC from Switzerland visited the various projects of the Rain Tree Foundation. It was a great honor to have the opportunity to welcome them and show them the different projects that the foundation is currently carrying out

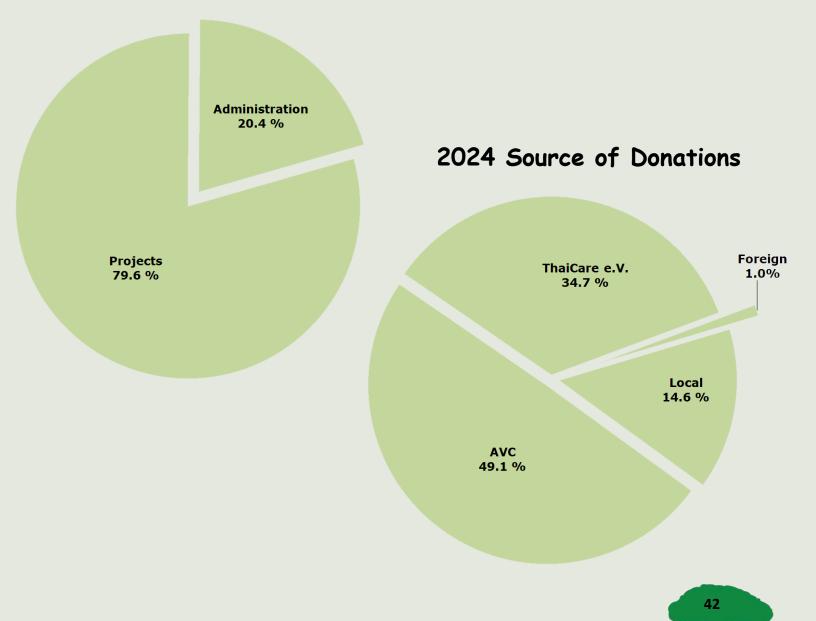


Thai Care, our good partner from Germany, had the opportunity to visit us. We are very happy to have the chance to meet again after more than 10 years of not seeing each other

Financial Statement 2024

Statement of Income and Expend	liture for the year ending 31st D	ecember 2024
Income	2024	2023
Donations	12,388,457.54 THB	9,154,462.58 THI
Bank Interest (Others)	5,558.31 THB	4,121.56 TH
Total Income	12,394,015.85 THB	9,158,584.14 TH
Expenditure		
Expenses for projects	9,825,021.35 THB	7,873,755.00 TH
Administrative expenses	2,522,255.53 THB	2,024,022.02 TH
Тах	555.83 THB	412.16 TH
Total Expenditure (ex. Tax)	12,347,276.88 THB	9,897,777.02 THI
Surplus/ (Deficit) (before Tax)	46,738.97 THB	(739,192.88) THI
Balance sheet	as at 31st December 2024	
Assets	2024	2023
Non- Current Assets		
Plant and equipment	121,623.92 THB	151,715.66 TH
Other non-current assets	0.00 THB	30,103.40 TH
Total Non-Current Assets	121,623.92 THB	181,819.06 TH
Current Assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	376,031.29 THB	74,799.34 TH
Other current assets	3,052.80 THB	3,052.80 TH
Total Current Assets	379,084.09 THB	77,852.14 TH
Total Assets	500,708.01 THB	259,671.20 TH
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Current Liabilities		
Account payable and Others	21,250.00 THB	26,540.00 TH
Accrued income tax	555.83 THB	412.16 TH
Total Current Liabilities	21,805.83 THB	26,952.16 TH
Total liabilities	21,805.83 THB	26,952.16 TH
Fund Balance		
Funds	200,000.00 THB	200,000.00 TH
Excess of Income over Expenditure	78,902.18 THB	32,719.04 TH
Reserves	278,902.18 THB	232,719.04 TH
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	500,708.01 THB	259,671.20 TH

2024 Project Expenditure





How you can help

Become a Foster Parent

With our foster children program the children are able to attend the government school instead of having to help their families to earn money. They can also have access to more varied and healthy food that otherwise they wouldn't be able to afford. Furthermore, we provide health care, clothes and a caring and loving environment for them.

You can become a foster parent and support a rural family in difficult situation, so that their children can become healthy and nourished individuals with 25€ (1.000THB) per month.

Donate a BioSand water filter

With the BioSand water filter a whole family can have clean water for decades, without the need of electricity or fuel, and with very low maintenance costs.

You can donate a water filter for a family in the mountains for only 70€ (2.800THB).

Become a volunteer

We need volunteer English teachers for rural schools all year round. With your help, these children can learn English language, and have better opportunities for their future.



Make a donation - Make a difference

Many of our projects need an ongoing support from a strong partner in order to be continued and developed. We are also pleased about donations in kind, like second hand toys, clothes, blankets, etc... We need many things, but unfortunately we cannot provide for all needs.

If you chose a onetime donation or monthly giving, you can be confident that 100% of every Baht, Euro or Dollar donated supports Rain Tree Foundation programs.

Our bank account details for transferring funds:

Account Name: Raintree Foundation

Account Number: 402-244477-1

Bank: Siam Commercial Bank

Branch: Big C Hangdong

Swift/BIC: SICOTHBK

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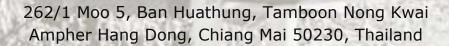
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Thank You - for being part of - to change, to improve, to support those in need for a better future!



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