



# มูลนิธิที่ใจนักงาน Opportunity Foundation

## In 2007

there were 1.5 million reported cases of abuse of girl children in Thailand\*



**In recent months,** almost half the 49 rape and abuse cases reported by one provincial hospital alone were girls under the age of 15 years\*\*

Victims of cruel, selfish and violent actions, abused children are left with scars in their hearts, feelings of no self worth, and a struggle to find a path to their future. These feelings will not just disappear. If no one comes to rescue them out of this despair, these victims are likely to remain in the cycle of repeated victimization. They may even become abusers.

Laws and legal processes are important to help protect the child but are not enough to give them a good life in the future. In fact, there are large numbers of children who are victims of abuse who have been helped by legal processes, but will not be able to return and live safely in their homes. Often their families or communities do not even see the seriousness of the problem. What children coming from such situations really need is to live in a safe and secure environment.

Who will give these children a place of secure refuge to live?

At Opportunity Foundation there is someone waiting now to give safety in a warm family, bringing healing and restoration of bodies, minds and hearts, and helping them grow to be good members of society. That is the reason for establishing Opportunity Foundation... to offer healing, love, hope and encouragement to the lives of these children, supplementing and coordinating with the efforts of government and other organizations involved in child protection within Thailand and internationally.

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The best thing for any child is to live with her own family, but in the case where a young child has experienced abuse and cannot possibly live safely in her family, Opportunity Foundation is dedicated to building warm family units where these children may receive the things they have lacked or lost, and may be raised up as good citizens in society.



## Opportunity Foundation Gives Our Children:

- love, warmth, encouragement and opportunity,
- a safe place to live and good nutrition
- families with parents to care for them as though they were their true family
- counseling and guidance for their lives from the parents, social workers, psychologists, foundation staff and other relevant professionals
- ongoing care for physical and emotional health in a conducive environment
- opportunity for education and learning as appropriate in each case, from early childhood to advanced education building a love of learning
- activities that develop the body and mind



Darkness



Healing



New Life



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- \* Health Systems Research Institute (HSRI), Ministry of Public Health of Thailand
- \*\* Buriram Provincial Office of Social Development and Human Security



## Opportunity Village

We are building Opportunity Village, a beautiful and safe place to live, surrounded by a lush nature park environment in Nang Rong City, Buriram Province, (Northeastern Thailand). This village will have warm family style homes for the Foundation families and their children.

In future years there will also be a residential facility for elderly women who have no safe place to live, a temporary shelter for young women, and a nursing station with professional staff. There will be a learning center and vocational development facilities, meeting and seminar rooms, an athletic field, a fitness center for the elderly and other residents, and Foundation offices.

## Your opportunity to join us

Working with the target group we have chosen is very difficult, but this is the task we have chosen, and we do it with all our capabilities. The value of one child's life is great beyond measure, and these children have encountered cruelty and injustice. We are committed to doing everything possible to help these children to regain the things they have lost, and to restore their self value and hope.

We need others who have hearts of love to help, ready to sacrifice in order to create opportunity for these children. Many hands are needed in this effort, and all forms of support are welcomed, including financial and in kind donations, volunteering time or joining our staff on a long term basis.

## Details for Financial Donations:

**Building Opportunity Village and Family Homes**  
Bank Account: 414 084 000 2  
Name of Account: Opportunity Foundation (Project)  
Bangkok Bank, Nang Rong Branch, Buriram Province

**Family and Children Expenses (food, education, etc.)**  
Bank Account: 414 087 086 8  
Name of Account: Opportunity Foundation (Family Homes)  
Bangkok Bank, Nang Rong Branch, Buriram Province

**Professional Staff (social worker, psychologist, etc.)**  
Bank Account: 414 083 397 3  
Name of Account: Opportunity Foundation  
Bangkok Bank, Nang Rong Branch, Buriram Province

Please advise name and address of donor by email, fax or transaction details. Opportunity Foundation will issue and mail a donation receipt accordingly.

## Organization Information

**Name :** Opportunity Foundation  
**License Number :** BR 2/2550 date 19 April 2550  
**Vision :** Working with government and other organizations to promote social welfare, providing assistance to people who have suffered abuse and need services not available elsewhere (such as specialized professional staff and facilities) in order to provide them with opportunities for better lives.

**Mission :** Prepare homes with a warm and safe family atmosphere for children and elderly who have suffered abuse, bringing healing and restoration, and development in accordance with Thai culture and way of life.

**Objective :** Promote services and support for family life and its complete and enduring development for children and elderly who have suffered abuse.

**Tasks :** Build Opportunity Village as a place with an atmosphere of safety and family love.  
**Goal :** To be a center providing care for cases received from government and other organizations.

**Target Group :** The focus for initial years of foundation operations is girl children (new born to twelve years) who have been physically or emotionally abused with no safe place to live.

**Geographic Area :** Primary target area – Southern E-san area of Thailand.  
Secondary target area – Thailand and bordering areas of surrounding countries.

**Source of Funding :** Private organizations and individuals within Thailand and internationally.

