First Quarter Report Christian Center for the Development of People with Disabilities MaeSaRiang MaeHongSon THAILAND January – March 2021

1.Progress report on our programs / projects

Eleven students were integrated into local schools in 2020. CDPD also followed 28 students who have been placed in specialized schools (4 at the school for the deaf, 7 at the school for people with intellectual disabilities, 4 at the school for the blind, 7 at the school for people with physical disabilities, 2 at a vocational school and 2 at university). Five students attended the CDPD's prevocational program. A music teacher





continues to be on staff and several students are benefitting from music lessons. CDPD continues to advocate for an inclusive society ensuring that people with disabilities are able to attend and take part in special community activities. CDPD provides community awareness and education with two radio programs per week, one in Thai and one in the Karen language. Advocacy groups are also key to empower parents of

children with disabilities, as well as, persons with disabilities.









CDPD staff continues to encourage and support the work of several advocacy groups made up of people with disabilities. Work was done to make sure clients and their family members understood their rights.





2. How many people are on staff?

- 1Nurse Director,
- 3 Special Education teachers,
- 1 Vocational teacher,
- 1 Music teacher, and 1 Health worker



3. How many volunteers do you have?

None. The Covid pandemic has made it impossible to have volunteers work at the center.

4. How many people are you serving?



CDPD staff has worked directly, in a number of different capacities, with 382 clients who had many different kinds of disabilities and needs. The staff have also worked with the families and communities of these clients.





Four new cases were assessed, 12 health checks were done in Chiang Mai, 23 were transported to study in special need schools in Chiang Mai, Chon Buri and Chiang Rai, and 2 were taken to a vocational school in Chiang Mai. Thirty clients come to CDPD for pre-school and pre-vocational education.







5. What have you accomplished?

CDPD has been able to give a good understanding of the rights of people with disabilities to the people with disabilities and their families, and then organize them into advocacy groups that work with the government to encourage the granting of these rights. People are more aware of the abilities that people with disabilities have and are more accepting. People with disabilities are receiving their educations and are developing their potential. They are providing income for the family.





The staff also adapted one toilet to make it accessible to people with disabilities in a village.

They have helped people with disabilities and their families travel to government hospitals for

therapy.





CDPD takes clients to play music in new churches in villages.





CDPD takes clients to participate in People with Disabilities Day activities, helps them to perform at CDPD activities, perform music for different occasions, and participate in various income generation activities. During a survey that the staff conducted, two new clients were found, assessed and accepted into the program (1 deaf, 1blind).

6.Where are things headed?

In the future, CDPD plans to buy land and develop an agricultural training center. Many of the people living with disabilities in our target area are unable to find jobs after completing their education. This is often because jobs for people with disabilities are only available in large cities and our clients' families do not want their relatives to live away from home. They are often poor and live in villages or rural towns and make a living through agriculture. This center would teach agriculture to people with disabilities and their families. Training would be for 20 people at a time, and occur two times a year. They would be given knowledge about principles of agriculture, how to plant rice, vegetables and fruit; and how to raise pigs, goats and chickens to sell. Other organizations could also learn at

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