



Overseas Experience

# Experience Cambodia: Youth

*Ages: 18 – 30*

*20<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 2017*



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World Vision





**Located in the tropics of South East Asia, Cambodia is a country of natural wonders, inspiring people and rich history. From Angkor Wat to the mighty Mekong River, there is so much to see, and so much to learn. Despite all its beauty, the best of this country is the people. They have overcome huge tragedy and are building towards a bright and prosperous future**

- See World Vision's work on education, youth empowerment, nutrition and health firsthand and learn about the unique challenges and successes of the communities you visit
- Be joined on the trip by local Cambodian youth leaders
- Engage with youth and communities and hear their stories first-hand
- Visit other Youth focused NGOs and explore issues of trafficking, fair trade, health, youth employment and child rights.
- Experience the Cambodian life in rural and urban communities
- Explore the ancient World Heritage listed Angkor Wat Temples
- Explore the historical and cultural sites in Phnom Penh and Siem Reap.
- Visit the Killing Fields and engage to understand more about Cambodia's tragic history
- Get involved with fundraising ensuring your visit makes a tangible difference in the lives of Cambodian children.



***"This Country simply exudes HOPE" – Lacinda***



A large group of World Vision staff, wearing orange shirts, are gathered outdoors in a rural setting. Some staff are standing and talking to a group of children, while others are sitting on the ground with the children. The children are wearing white school uniforms. In the foreground, several small ducks are pecking at the ground. The background shows more staff and children, with trees and a clear sky.

# World Vision in Cambodia

## Assisting

children, their families and communities with basic needs such as clean water, education, health and nutrition.

## Working

with government health service providers to improve the quality of their healthcare, particularly for children under five and mothers.

## Providing

training for farmers to increase food production, while others learn small business skills.

## Working

to educate, involve and empower communities in child protection issues.

## Supporting

programs to assist young people who have been trafficked for work, who work in brick factories or who have been sexually abused.

## Working

with urban slum communities under threat of displacement.

## Educating

communities about land tenure and land rights.



# Trip Overview

## Days 1 - 3: Siem Reap

Travel to Siem Reap. Enjoy a day exploring the ancient World heritage listed Angkor Wat Temples. Visit local artisans producing Cambodian crafts. Explore this amazing regional city's many attractions.

## Days 4 - 5: Rural Community

Visit a rural community partnering with World Vision and explore how youth are working as key agents of change. Visit small remote schools and be inspired by the dedication of community volunteers. Explore how World Vision is supporting farmers in improving their crop yields leading to better nutrition and incomes. Immerse yourself in a community and learn about the many aspects of World Vision's work first hand. Explore issues of education, nutrition, maternal newborn and child health.

## Days 6 - 8: New Project

Visit a very new World Vision project in a different rural community collaborating with World Vision and connect with youth to understand more about what it is like to live in this area. Get a unique view of this new project after just having visited a well-established project and understand more about the journey of empowerment and change that communities go through with World Vision. Visit a local savings group to learn about economic development. Explore issues of water and sanitation, youth advocacy and education.



***"I feel proud to work for World Vision having now visited the field. Seeing how empowering, how partner focused and how sustainable our work is – it gives me HOPE" – Bardie***





## Day 9: Urban Community

Explore how different poverty and the solutions are in an urban community by visiting a third community partnering with World Vision, this time in Phnom Penh. Visit a school on the site of the old rubbish dump of Phnom Penh. Explore how change is occurring in this community and spend time engaging with the youth and families in this community.

## Days 9 - 10: Phnom Penh

Learn about Cambodia's tragic past with a visit to the Killing Fields and the S21 genocide museum. Explore Phnom Penh including markets, river cruise and key sights. Visit local NGOs learning about approaches to fair trade, social enterprises, human trafficking and youth economic development.

Reflect as a group and enjoy a final dinner before returning home to Australia the next morning.

*This is a unique opportunity for Australian youth (18 - 30 year olds) to explore World Vision's work and meet inspiring Cambodian youth who are transforming their communities.*

*Immerse yourself in the friendly Khmer culture and explore many beautiful sights along the way.*



***"I have this dream of the way this world should be and after this trip; I believe that it's possible" – Sash***



# Travel Costs

## Travel Costs:

**\$1,250 per person twin share**

*This is inclusive of an initial \$250 non-refundable deposit within two weeks of confirming attendance.*

### What is included in the cost?

- Accommodation in Cambodia
- Transportation within Cambodia.
- Most meals and drinks (excluding alcohol)
- Sightseeing costs
- Contribution to assist local youth join the program

### What is not included in the cost?

- Airfares to and from Cambodia
- VISA's
- Travel insurance (obligatory)
- Passport costs
- Medical health checks prior to the trip
- Spending money



***"I 've met so many people on this trip who despite the challenges they face, are creating beautiful and wonderful things"***  
***– Anastasya***





# Fundraising

## Fundraising amount:

**\$2,000**

*We feel privileged that we have the opportunity to visit these communities, and as such believe it is important to support them in practical ways.*

*We do this by fundraising a nominated amount per trip to help fund their identified development projects.*

We believe it is important that this is a holistic experience for all. Many people visit countries like Cambodia, inspired by the beauty, ingenuity and resilience of its people, but leave little in return.

The amount you raise will support the communities you will be visiting and others like it in Cambodia. By joining the program, you become part of the solution rather than simply a tourist.

Upon registering for a trip, you will receive a fundraising pack that includes many resources for methods and strategies of fundraising, advice and tips for planning, and testimonials from various participants of past trips. We provide these resources to aid you on your fundraising experience. We want to set you up for success, so we're always here to help you out.





# Frequently Asked Questions

## How do I fundraise?

There are various fun and creative ways to successfully fundraise. When you register for the trip, you will have a regular point of contact that will be there as support right up until your departure.

Your contact is a fundraising expert and they have helped hundreds of people reach and exceed their targets.

You will also receive a registration pack with a comprehensive fundraising guide full of great ideas and case studies from previous participants.

## What happens if I don't reach my target?

You will, don't even go there with that thought! With the right commitment and a good fundraising plan you have plenty of time and the support you need from us to reach your fundraising goal.

## What sort of things do people do to fundraise?

Sausage sizzles, trivia nights, auctions, morning teas, cinema nights, eBay sales, family fun day, family dinner, chocolate boxes, dance parties and donations from family and friends are just a few ways to fundraise.

## When does the fundraising target need to be reached by?

Before you travel. The secret to making fundraising easy is to speak to us, develop a clear strategy, and then get started.

## How can I get the company I work for to help me?

Many larger companies have Community Foundations or Corporate Social Responsibility programs and as part of these programs they offer to dollar match funds raised by employees for World Vision. We recommend approaching your company and finding out if they are able to support your fundraising efforts.

## Why would people want to donate to me?

Generally, people want to make a difference. Critically, your friends and family will support your commitment to helping the world's poor. Fundraising is a way to include them in your journey, before, during and after the program.

## Are donations tax-deductible?

All donations that go to World Vision over \$2 is tax-deductible (providing your supporters received nothing in return for their donation) your donors will be issued with a receipt.

## How do donors get receipts?

When your fundraising monies are paid to World Vision we will issue a tax-deductible receipt to the supporters who made a donation, providing they have provided all the relevant details.





### **Is it safe to travel in Cambodia?**

World Vision International monitors security in Cambodia. In addition, staffs monitor the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Smartraveller website ([smartraveller.gov.au](http://smartraveller.gov.au)) for security and risk levels. Cambodia is currently categorised as “exercise normal safety precautions”.

### **What is the accommodation like?**

When choosing accommodation and transport methods, the security of our travellers is always our first priority, and our well-travelled staff members from World Vision Australia are there to support and journey with you.

### **Do I need to get medical clearance from my doctor?**

Yes, every participant will need to have a medical check completed by a doctor. We advise participants to see a travel doctor who can provide specialist advice about travelling in Cambodia.

### **Do I need travel insurance?**

Yes, comprehensive travel insurance is compulsory for all participants and is the responsibility of each participant to arrange.

### **Is there consular representation in Cambodia for Australians?**

Australia has an embassy in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

### **What if there was an emergency in Cambodia?**

All necessary steps and precautions will be taken to ensure your safety and the safety of the group whilst in Cambodia. World Vision has a comprehensive emergency and crisis management plan, should a situation arise.

### **What will be the size of the group travelling?**

The size of the group is generally 10 Australian participants with five Cambodian youth and two World Vision Leaders

### **Will I receive fundraising support?**

Yes, you will receive a fundraising pack which includes resources and tips on multiple ways to fundraise. We want to set you up for success, so we're always ready to help you out.



# Countdown to Experience Cambodia Youth!

Click 'Sign me up!' and apply before the trip becomes full!

Make your \$250 deposit within 14 days of being offered a place on the trip to confirm your place.

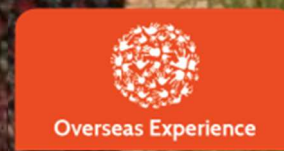
Receive an information pack from us and book your flights.

Fundraise \$2,000 for the communities you will meet!

Final payment is due 14th November 2016.

Team meets in Cambodia 20th Jan 2017!

*Please note: dates above are subject to change depending on group needs and schedules*







## **Overseas Experiences**

*creating life changing connections*