

# Rejoice Foundation Review 2015-16

(Period April 2015– March 2016)

## Main activities

- Core Outreach ([photos](#))
- Formula milk distribution ([photos](#))
- Home Care together with Hospital Healthcare workers ([photos](#))
- Education and Prevention Programme ([photos](#))
- Scholarship Programme ([photos](#))

(PLHIV)			
Number of People living with HIV			
	Sep-14	Sep-15	Feb-16
<b>Home Care</b>			
Mae Ai	36	38	47
Sankampheang	54	54	54
Chiang Dao Home Care	128	138	147
Wiang Haeng	NA	9	12
	<b>218</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>260</b>
<b>Core Clinics</b>			
Chiang Dao	93	94	99
Chomthong	18	18	18
Sanpathong	43	43	43
Sankampehang	36	38	40
Phrao	59	60	61
	<b>249</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>261</b>
<b>Formula Milk</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Scholarships</b>			
University	8	7	7
High School	11	11	12
Junior +pre School	47	47	49
	<b>66</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>68</b>

## Core Outreach.



Weekly visits are made to HIV patients in five established clinics, where medicines and formula milk are distributed. A total of 261 patients are registered at these clinics. A new centre has been established in Mae Ai district, which is about 4 hours drive from Chiang Mai. The Outreach Team currently visit Mae Ai once per month and stay over night in a guest House in Fang, the following day on their return to Chiang Mai, they visit other locations such as Phrao or Chiang Dao.

These core clinics have been very successful over the years. Rejoice is able to visit HIV patients in a group where they can distribute, medicines, milk, clothing etc. The groups are usually very happy to see the Rejoice team arrive on a regular basis. The photo on the left shows a grandmother making baskets whilst taken care of her grandson. The photos below show people affected by HIV receiving clothing in preparation for the cold winters.





## Formula Milk Distribution

Children born to HIV positive mothers receive formula milk free from the Thai government for the first 6 months. Thereafter Rejoice provides the milk formula until the child is about 6 years old depending on physical development. Currently there are 23 children between the ages of 6 months and 6 years receiving formula.

The formula milk programme introduced by the Thai Government some 12 years ago has been a major success. (All pregnant Thai women were routinely tested for HIV).

There are a total of 98 children of all ages registered with Rejoice. 26 of these are HIV+ve. There are 7 children under the age of 12 who are HIV+ve - these children are either from one of the many hilltribes or are children of migrants workers and where breast fed by their HIV infected mothers who, at the time, were not tested for HIV.





## Home Care



The number of patients visited by Rejoice and the HIV volunteers (themselves HIV+ve) increase by the month. To date (February 2016) there are 260 registered patients. Wiang Haeng, on the Myanmar border is the latest district to receive visits by Rejoice. The communities where the home care visits are made are in remote, hard to reach areas. Due to the long distances, the Rejoice Team often stay over night in a local guest house and make further outreach visits on their return to Chiang Mai. The Home care visits are made together with healthcare volunteers (themselves HIV positive) in conjunction with the district hospitals at Chiang Dao (currently 147 patients), Mae Ai (47 patients), Sankampeang (54 patients) and recently, Wiang Haeng (12 patients). Checks are

made as to whether the patients are taking their antiretroviral (ARV) medicine as prescribed, are there side effects. Advice and counseling is given to other members of the family and/or community. Also, basic food provisions and winter clothing are handed out to those who need them. Any children living with HIV affected families are eligible for a scholarship.





## Scholarship Programme

Children living within a family affected by HIV are eligible for a scholarship. The child may be an AIDS orphan, living with one parent, living with grandparents or living with relatives. Rejoice provides scholarships which enables the children to attend school, whilst allowing them to grow up within their own ethnic community rather than them being institutionalized in an orphanage. Currently there are 26 HIV+ children receiving scholarships. Also 7 students are attending University or Technical College and next year a similar number is expected to graduate from school to higher education. Without the Scholarship Programme it is most likely that this would have been impossible. A database spreadsheet of all the children is updated continually and each child is linked to a their own separate PDF file which can be updated with correspondence and photos between the donor and child.

Rejoice has ring-fenced the Scholarship Programme since the sponsorship money goes directly to the child so Rejoice is simply passing on the donation directly to the child. Rejoice does ask the donor to voluntarily contribute a small amount to help with running costs. The scheme is working very well with 68 children already receiving scholarships.

### Woranut is Rejoice's first University Graduate.



Woranut with her mother and Gee at the presentation ceremony at Chiang Mai Rajabhat University.

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5th November 2015

Dear Carol Foo,

My name is Woranut Jumnong. I feel so grateful that you have helped me until I graduate. I graduated with a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering at Chiang Mai Rajabhat University.

Currently I'm working as a construction foreman in Diya Valley Village at Sarapee, Chiang Mai. If it wasn't for you, I wouldn't be successful today. I promise to be a good, honest person for the community. If I have an opportunity, I will give to others, in a similar way, to that you have given to me.

Lastly, may god bless you. I hope you are there to help others who need an opportunity like me.

With respect, Woranut Jumnong

Above is a scan of the letter Woranut wrote to Carol Foo, her sponsor, who lives in Singapore.

A photo album of the scholarship children can be found by clicking on the following link; [Scholarship Programme](#)



SDL Foundation have been sponsoring 12 Children for several years. The photos shows the group receiving their annual scholarship in Chiang Dao



## Education and Prevention

The Education and Prevention Programme reaches out to many diverse groups of people ; HIV patients and their families, children with HIV, schools, community gatherings targeting local youth, get-togethers of HIV healthcare workers to exchange experiences etc.



HIV patients at Chiang Dao Hospital



Children learn the importance of taking their medicine



Weekend Community meeting for the youth in Sankampeang



Lisu hill tribe youths at Nong Khaem School

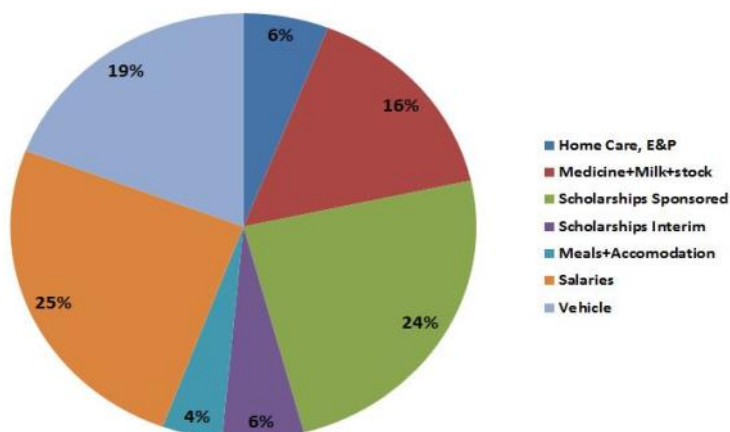


## Education and Prevention Meetings

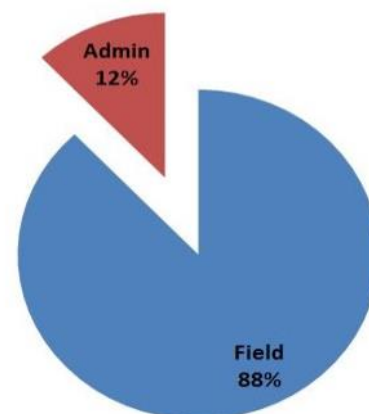
Date	District	Venue	Age Group	Number	Comments
01/12/12	Chiang Dao	World Aids Day Baan Arunotai School	7-18	400+	Rejoice assisted Health Care Workers
29/12/12	Chiang Dao	Chiang Dao Hospital	HIV Patients	40+	Provided food and bathing provisions
23/03/13	Sankampeang Rong Wua De	Rong Wua Deng Community centre	ALL	50+	Assisted Health Care Workers
10/07/13	Chiang Dao	Chiang Dao Hospital	HIV Patients	42	Provided food and Transport costs
26/07/13	Chiang Mai	Rattanakosin Hotel, Chiang Mai	Health Care Worker Staff Training		Rejoice staff attend meeting by PHPT
08/08/13	Chiang Dao	Chiang Dao, Municipality	Health Care Worker Staff Training		Rejoice staff attend meeting by TTAG
11/09/13	Chiang Dao	Chiang Dao Hospital	HIV Patients	28	Provided food and Transport costs
14/09/13	Sankampeang, On Tai	On Tai Community	11-18	30+	Provided food and Transport costs
01/12/13	Chiang Dao	World Aids Day Chiang Dao High School	7-18	500+	Rejoice contributed to providing lunch
25/12/13	Chiang Dao	Chiang Dao Hospital	HIV Patients	40+	Provided food and bathing provisions
07/02/14	Sankampeang	Baan Buak Kang School	14-15	30	
28/03/14	Chiang Mai	Rattanakosin Hotel, Chiang Mai	Health Care Worker Staff Training		Rejoice staff attend meeting by Thai Plus
28/07/14	Chiang Dao, Muang Na	Nai Wai School	14-15	35	
28/07/14	Chiang Dao, Nong Keow	Nong Keow	14-15	35	
07/08/14	Chiang Dao, Kae Noi	Baan Kae Noi Junior School	11-12	30	
07/08/14	Chiang Dao, Kae Noi	Baan Kae Noi Senior School	14-15	40	
30/08/14	Sankampeang Rong Wua De	Rong Wua Deng Community centre	ALL	35	Community Gathering
09/09/14	Chiang Dao	Muang Khong School	14-15	35	
5-26/10/14	Chiang Dao	Wat Umong Weekend Meditation	HIV Patients	40	Transportation
01/12/14	Chiang Dao/Sanpatong	World aids day Chiang Dao/Sanpatong	ALL	200+	Rejoice assisted Health Care Workers
24/12/14	Chiang Dao	Chiang Dao Hospital	HIV Patients	120+	Provided lunch, clothing and provisions toiletries
06/02/15	Chiang Dao	Chiang Dao Hospital	Children HIV+Ve	10	Provided food and Transport costs
17-18/02/15	Mae Ai	Queen Sirikit Project, Thaton	Health Care Worker Staff Training		Provided food and accommodation
01/07/15	Chiang Dao Nong Khaem	Nong Khaem Lisu village School	Youth 15-25	35	Provided food and Transport costs
29/07/15	Chiang Dao	Chiang Dao Hospital	HIV Patients	65	Monks from Wat Chedi Luang in CM visit HIV patients in Chiang Dao
19/08/15	Chiang Dao	Chiang Dao Hospital	HIV Patients	15	Start of Buddhist Lent (Khao Phansa)
29/09/15	Chiang Dao	Chiang Dao Hospital	HIV Patients	24	Provided food and bathing provisions
01/12/15	Sanpathong	World aids day Chiang Dao/Sanpatong	HIV Patients		
15/12/15	Mae Ai	BAAN PANGTUNDUAE School	13-15	70	
15/12/15	Mae Ai	CHOTKUNAKASEM BAAN MUENGNGAM School	13-15	84	
19/12/15	Chiang Dao, Nong Keow	Nong Keow Village	Christian Group	70	Lisu, Lahu Chin Haw Akha Christian Group provided clothing and supplies
30/12/15	Chiang Dao	Chiang Dao Hospital	HIV Patients	40+	Provided food and bathing provisions
27/01/16	Chiang Dao	Banon School	9-13	68	With SDL + Dr. Martin

## Financial Outgoings

Field Costs April through September 2015



Field vs Admin



The chart on the left shows the breakdown of costs accrued in the field. Included are fuel, maintenance and higher purchase costs for the vehicle and the salaries for the Outreach Team. The Outreach Team now make monthly visits to Mae Ai and Wiang Haeng communities bordering Shan State in Myanmar. The drive from Chiang Mai to these villages is over 4 hours. Because of the long distances and to save on fuel costs, the team will stay overnight in a guest house in Fang or Wiang Haeng. The following day on their return journey to Chiang Mai they can incorporate more home care or clinic visits.

Home Care and Education and Prevention costs are carried out together with the HIV volunteers (themselves HIV+ve) and have been grouped together. Medicine and Formula Milk costs are from the traditional Rejoice “core clinics”.

The School Scholarship Programme continues to be very successful especially with individual donors. We have ring-fenced the programme since the donations received go directly to the student—the donor can see exactly that 100% of the donation goes to the child’s welfare. The “interim” scholarships are scholarships given by Rejoice to especially needy children as a stop-gap until a more permanent donor is found.

Office costs are only 12% of total costs due to the fact that the Office is free of rent—purchase price of the building was raised through previous donations. A separate savings/contingency account for the team (currently 3 employees) is also included in the Administration costs.