

FR. RAY FOUNDATION SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

Fr. Ray Foundation



The Fr. Ray Foundation is the funding organization for several social projects in Pattaya, Thailand. It takes its name from Fr. Ray Brennan, an American Redemptorist priest. The Foundation manages a School for Blind Children, a Drop-In Center for Street Kids, a Vocational School for the Disabled, an Independent Living Center, a Children's Village for homeless children, a Day Care Center and a Home for Street Kids.

The Redemptorist Children's Home: The Children's Home, formerly known as the Home for Street Kids, was opened in 1990 with the aim of offering street kids

a chance to have a normal childhood again. Currently, we have over 180 children in our home which is located 9 kilometers outside of Pattaya City. Most of the children come from broken homes and have been exposed to a life of begging, use of drugs and even child prostitution.

The Redemptorist Vocational School for the Disabled: Disabled people in Thailand have a very difficult life. Looked down upon by society, many are reduced to doing menial work or to beg for a living. In 1984, Fr. Ray founded the School with just four disabled students. Today there are over 220 young Thai adults studying Electronic Repair, Computer Programming and Computer for Business in English, learning a trade that will allow them to become independent and productive members of society. All graduating students are guaranteed a job before they leave the School.

The Redemptorist School for Blind Children: The 1980s were a busy time for Fr. Ray. Apart from opening the School for disabled young adults, he also opened, in 1986, a School for the Blind. Now over 130 blind children receive an education that is consistent with the national curriculum, as well as independent living skills. The students learn to read and write Braille, walk using a white stick and how to take care of themselves. The School is also home to many children who are multi-handicapped.

The Redemptorist Drop-In Center for Street Kids: Compared to the whole of Thailand, Pattaya is a very prosperous city. Many children who have run away from home end up on the streets trying to earn a living. Some steal, some end up taking drugs, others even prostitute themselves. The Drop-In Center was established in February 2004 to provide street children with temporary shelter, providing food, clothing, a sleeping place, bathing facilities, rest, relaxation and fundamental health care. Outreach workers visit the streets nightly to try to gain the trust of the kids, before inviting them to visit our Home. Eventually, some of them accept the move to our Children's Home; for others we find employment and some go back to school or college to gain qualifications and learn a trade.

Fr. Ray's Village: Fr. Ray's Village is a place that allows orphaned, abandoned and neglected children to belong to a home and a family. Competent and responsible Mothers and Co-workers provide unconditional love and inspiration, support and encouragement which allows these children to grow up normally, enriched with their God-given talents, and contribute their share to the progress of the human family.

Fr. Ray's Day Care Center: A slum area is not a safe place for a young child during the working hours, but many poor parents have no option but to leave their children to fend for themselves while they are working. Fr. Ray's Day Care Center allows the poorest of the poor to have their under school-age babies and toddlers to be cared for while their parents are working. We provide food, health care, and a safe and loving environment for the babies and toddlers as well as giving them a good preparation for primary school.

Fr. Lawrence Patin, C.Ss.R.
Director

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We need people to fully sponsor or partially sponsor a child/student. The cost of raising and educating a child/student varies according to their age and individual needs. Our biggest expenses are food, education and transportation. If you divide the total expenses by the number of residents, it comes out to about US\$ 2,000 per child/student per year.

You can either fully sponsor or partially sponsor a child or student. No matter what type of sponsorship you choose, you will receive a picture and a short history of the child/student you are sponsoring. If the child is old enough, you will receive a letter or a birthday card from the child.

Please fill out the form on this page and send it to us. Donations can be paid in cash, personal check, bank draft or bank transfer. You can pay a certain amount of your sponsorship monthly, or send it two or three times a year, or one lump sum according to your choice.



I Wish to Help in the Sponsorship Program:

- Project _____
- Partial Sponsorship: 250\$US (minimum)
- Full Sponsorship: 2,500\$US
- I want to help, but not sponsor a child.

Please Print

Date

Amount

Anniversary date

Birthday

Wedding

Name

Address

Telephone

Email

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We thank you for your interest in the Fr. Ray Foundation. If you have any questions, we will be glad to answer them for you.



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