

The Bathroom

In Kampong Thom, Cambodia, a humble new building is having an outsized impact on locals' lives. Along with our trusted partners, Care For Cambodia has constructed a few small, clean bathroom facilities for villagers who previously lacked proper sanitation.



Before, villagers had no choice but to bathe in the open or in dirty enclosures. This was not only uncomfortable but risky, exposing them to diseases. Women in particular feared using such facilities, compromising their health.

After consulting with villagers about their needs, we built simple enclosed bathrooms. For villagers accustomed to open bathing, having privacy is a luxury. Mothers are relieved to have a hygienic place to wash infants. Fetching water no longer means compromised modesty.

The bathroom facility also improves community dignity. With clean bodies and clothes,

children can attend school confidently rather than facing stigma. Adults similarly gain self-assurance interacting with neighboring villages.

We pledge to maintain the facility providing soaps and cleaning as needed. They hope to construct similar bathrooms across provinces lacking sanitation. For now, this humble bathroom building is giving back pride and hope. With basic needs met, villagers can focus on building a better future.

