

# **Thailand**

# The Thai nonprofit sector comprises associations and foundations engaged in philanthropy, economic and social development, Health and social services, advocacy, and cultural and recreational activities.

# The SPARK! grant will be given to non-profit charitable organizations as the following:

# **Association**

Associations are organizations of members who act together to achieve specified objectives. An association created for conducting any activity which, according to its nature, is to be done continuously and collectively by persons other than that of sharing profits or incomes earned. Associations are appropriate for sports organizations or other groups of people who share similar interests.

# **Foundation**

Foundation is the structure that is normally used for doing work in the charitable or not-for-profit sector. Foundations under Thailand law are established for the benefit of the public, and consist of assets appropriated for charitable, religious, artistic, scientific, literary, educational or other purposes for the benefit of the public and not for profit sharing.

# Children

- **Foundation for the Better Life of Children**: They house children and accept donations such as food, stationary and toys, as well as more essential everyday items like clothes, shoes and toothbrushes.
- **Phayathai Babies' Home**: They house and take care of unwanted newborn babies until a permanent home can be arranged for them
- The CCF Foundation Under the royal patronage of hrh princess maha chakri sirindhorn: They help provide needy children across the country with educational opportunities and basic health services.
- World Vision: Helping improve the lives of children through education, health care and good nutrition.
- Rajvithi Home for Girls, Pakkred Home for Boys: They house these children and make sure they receive a proper education.
- Ban Khru Noi: Offer shelter, food and education to poor children.
- Kru Ban Nok (Mirror Foundation Project): They provide volunteers to help teach kids in rural areas.
- **Duang Prateep Foundation:** Provides foster homes for orphaned or unwanted children and provides them with a formal education as well as introducing them to life-long learning activities.

#### Community

- **Habitat for Humanity Thailand**: They organize trips for volunteers to help build new houses or renovate existing structures for homeless people.
- **Operation Blessing Thailand**: Providing health care and first-aid training, distributing food and water to poverty-stricken communities.

#### Environment

 Seub Nakhasathien Foundation: They run many different programmes aimed at sustaining and protecting our forest regions. The foundation got its name from Seub Nakhasathien, who has dedicated his life to protecting Thailand's forests and the wildlife that lives in it.

- **Greenpeace**: By exposing environmental threats and promoting solutions, Greenpeace aims to protect the planet from further ecological ruin, and to serve as a beacon of awareness and action in the interest of environmental protection and sustainable development.
- Rabbit in the Moon Foundation: They offer regular tree-planting trips to the country, but it's their alternative approach to raising awareness of environmental issues and the range of programs under the Rabbit in the Moon umbrella that has got people interested. Their Nature Study through Aesthetic Consciousness course encourages people to experience nature first-hand through all five senses. The Music for Nature Project teaches children about the environment through the means of traditional music. The Career-Centered Advising project teaches arts and crafts to rural communities so they can make environmentally friendly products that are then sold at the Rabbit Shop.
- **Paper Ranger**: They convert used paper into cute notepads and notebooks which are then sold at cheap prices. The money raised is used to spend on materials and their running costs.

# **Cultural Preservation**

- **Makhampom Theater**: They teach theater arts, produce plays, and promote Thai culture.
- **Restoration works international**: Volunteers pay a fee to work alongside local craftsmen at the cultural site in question. Since 2005, the current project has been the restoration of a 300-year-old Buddhist temple situated along the Annapurna trail in Nepal.

## The Disable

- **Thailand Association of the Blind**: They help train blind people in useful vocational skills and then support their careers.
- The Bangkok School for the Blind: Provide education and career training to blind people.
- Thai Red Cross Eye Bank: They collect donated corneas and offer them as transplants to blind people.
  The Prostheses Foundation of H.R.H. The Princess Mother: They produce artificial legs for those who can't afford to buy their own.
- Foundation for Children with Disabilities: They house and take care of disabled children.
- **Thai Disabled Development Foundation:** They create employment opportunities for the disabled through a special web board where job seekers can post their resumes and search for relevant jobs.

## Animals

- **Foundation for Stray Dogs and Soi Cats and Dogs (SCAD):** They help reduce the number and improve the lives of Bangkok's strays through programmes of adoption, education and sterilization
- Wild Animal Rescue Foundation of Thailand (WARF): They provide animal sanctuaries and fight against the illegal wildlife trade in endangered species.
- Friends of the Asian Elephant: Their hospital has medical tools and kind-hearted vets to take care of sick or maltreated elephants.
- **Elephant Nature Park:** By providing a natural habitat for elephants that allows them to live peacefully in natural surroundings.

## We Are unable to Approve Requests for Individuals or Projects that

- Pose a potential conflict of interest for DDI
- Are not aligned with DDI corporate values
- May involve DDI in controversial issues

- Pose safety or security risks for employees (e.g. clean-up work at disaster site, construction or remodeling work not under the supervision of a trained professional); or any type of volunteer activity not under the supervision of an eligible charity or school
- Are related to fundraising, such as walking or running in a fundraising race
- Consist of fundraisers for individuals rather than registered charities
- Benefit charities with the sole purpose of providing support to a named individual or a named family
- Influence legislation or involve electing candidates to public office
- Involve volunteer activities of programs offered by clubs, membership associations or fraternities/sororities
- Are non-profit state universities, hospital or health care systems