



# Cambodian Tooth Angel Project



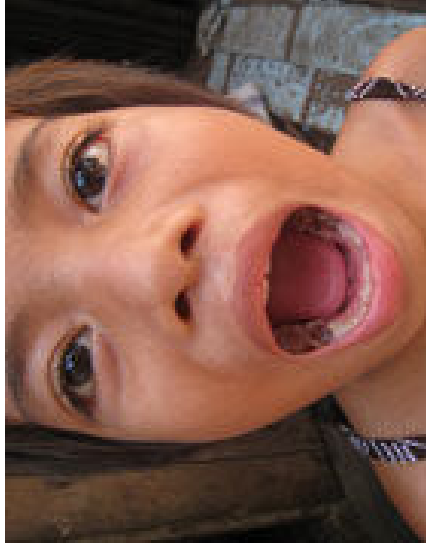
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In Cambodia, 80 percent of the population are designated 'poor' by the United Nations. In most other countries, we take readily available medical and dental care for granted. However in this country, access to basic health care is beyond the reach of many people. This is where WE can make a difference ... BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP. We invite you join with us in taking up the challenge, and become an "ANGEL" on our TEAM.



## The dire situation prevailing in Cambodia

Over a third of the 15 million population live on less than \$1 a day, and so the cost of extracting a painful tooth at a private clinic is, for many, next to impossible. There is really no "free" public health service available in Cambodia, as even treatment provided at the hospitals and health centres needs to be paid for. With only a handful of dentists and doctors remaining after the Khmer Rouge 'Reign of Terror' in the 1970s, most people miss out on any dental and medical care, especially the vulnerable and destitute. The average Cambodian 5 year old child has 8-10 decayed teeth, and teenagers in Phnom Penh have an average of 6 decayed permanent teeth. So the needs are very great.



***"Like slavery and apartheid, poverty is not natural. It is man-made and can be overcome and eradicated by the actions of human beings."***

***- Nelson Mandela***

## The Vision of the Cambodia Tooth Angel Project

The Cambodia Tooth Angel Project aims to bring desperately needed basic dental and medical treatment to the most vulnerable and destitute people in Cambodia. These include orphans, children and adolescents living on the streets, people with HIV, and prisoners.



The Cambodian Tooth Angel Team

## How you can help

For a donation of just 10 dollars you can help one Cambodian to get the urgent treatment they so desperately need, while at the same time becoming a Cambodian Tooth Angel!.

If you are a dentist, dental therapist, dental assistant, medic or have any health related skills and are interested in knowing more about our short term/long term opportunities for volunteers then please contact us at :

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