

189 out-of-school youth studying Thai, English and ICT in weekend classes

39 Burmese students newly enrolled into **29** Thai schools
(totaling 239 currently studying)

372 students enrolled at FED's **2** Burmese Learning Centers

139 youth in Myanmar Migrant Student Union (MMSU)

1359 Thai/Burmese youth educated in Money Management

3561 Thai/Burmese youth trained in disaster mitigation and safety



MIGRANT EDUCATION

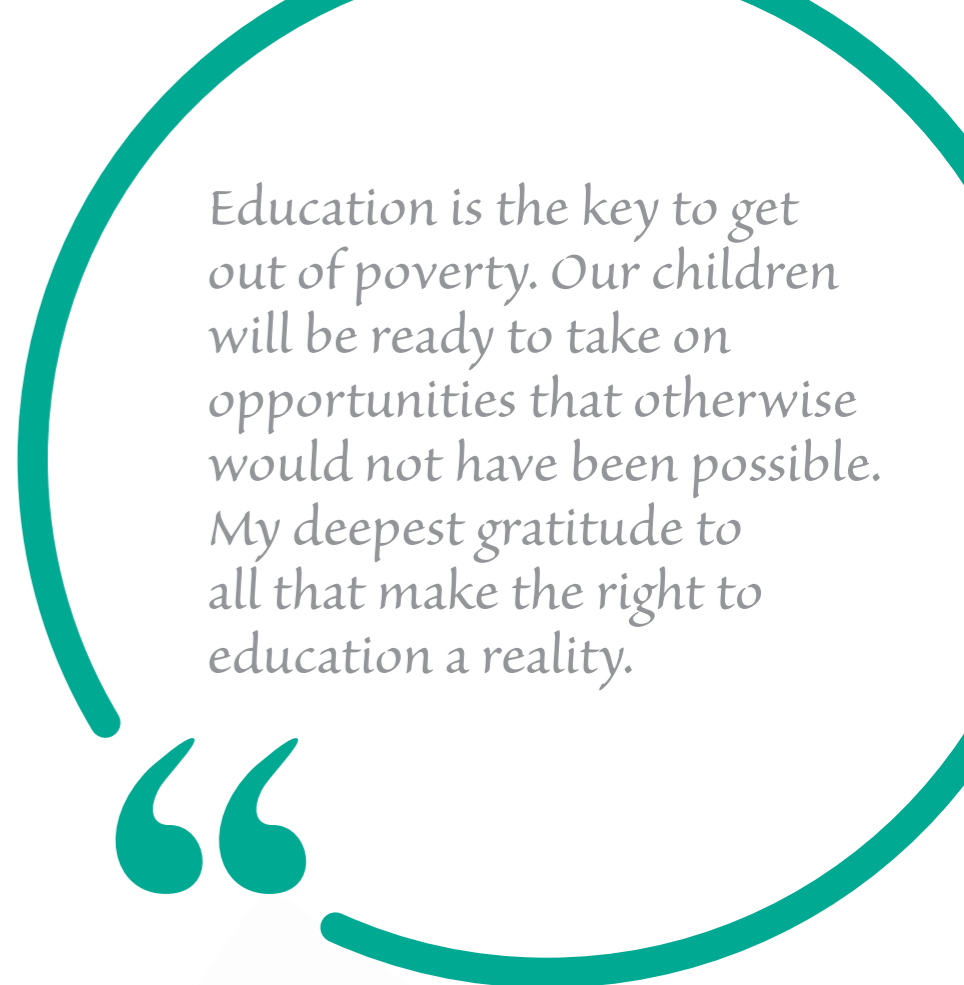
OUR COMMITMENT

FED is driven to provide an education for Burmese migrants as a means to breaking the cycle of poverty that traps many Burmese migrant families. Most migrant children's families have themselves received little or no education. As such, it is extremely difficult for them to find any work other than low paid, unskilled labor/jobs. Typically, jobs that migrants work in Thailand are referred to as the 3 D's: Dirty, Dangerous, and Difficult. The worksites usually include rubber plantations, construction sites, fisheries, and sawmills.

Providing a learning space for the children not only improves their future prospects, but also keeps the children safe from harm by removing them from dangerous work environments. This also offers peace of mind to busy working parents.

Without education this cycle of poverty will continue. Providing Burmese migrant children with an education, delays the age at which they enter the labor force. Also, when they do start work, they will be equipped with the skills to demand better job opportunities and a decent living wage.

All students receive free transportation services to and from school. Students living in remote areas such as rubber plantations would likely not have an opportunity to go to school, were it not for the transportation services offered by FED.



Education is the key to get out of poverty. Our children will be ready to take on opportunities that otherwise would not have been possible. My deepest gratitude to all that make the right to education a reality.

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FED Education Coordinator



MIGRANT EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS 2017



Visit from ASH

Students and chaperones from the American School of the Hague (The Netherlands) annually visit FED. During the student exchange activities both groups share their experiences, cultures, dances, teachings and they went out on an educational excursion to the National Park of Khao Sok



Student Camp

A student camp is a great way to bring Burmese and Thai students closer together. All 58 children were trained in how to defend child rights, educational rights and how to help achieving these rights for other children in their communities. The Camp was arranged for 2 nights and 3 days.



International Children Day

To promote international togetherness and awareness among children worldwide, FED held a celebration and sport competition at our learning center on January 14, 2017. As we all have the responsibility to create a better world for our children through proper education for future generations.



Peace & Art Contest

Our school was invited to join the peace movement organized by the International Peace Youth Group (IPYG). FED helped to spread awareness around peace building and the conflicts of war to the students of our learning center. All art created by the students was gathered and shared with IPYG.

Non-Formal Education

The NFE program is designed for unschooled young adults aiming to achieve a certifiable education. Running weekend Thai, English and Computer classes at the ULC for 178 migrant students. 39 out of 178 students have moved on to the Thai NFE school located in Takua Pa district.



Safe Water Safe Land

"Safe Water Safe Land" from Poland approached FED to provide a "Rescue after Drowning training" for our students and staff. The training focused on how to act if someone is drowning and how to properly apply CPR, a first aid technique that can be used if someone's heart has stopped.



Meteorological Excursion

Our Education Program arranged an excursion with its grade 7 students to visit the local Meteorological Center to get hands on experience in weather forecasting and atmospheric physics. The students were very amazed by the physics and science that took place!



Safe School Initiative

Our Unified Learning Center took on a leadership role for Safe School Training by exchanging its activities with local Thai schools in the area. In June our students visited 3 schools for a Meet & Greet and to do several Safe School activities/trainings at their schools.



Global Vision International

GVI is an Award winning provider of high impact programs and will assist FED in designing and improving educational curricula for our Burmese Learning Centers. They will also help recruit professional volunteers for our programs. We are very excited working with them since 2017!



Japan ISAK Summer Camp

We are so proud of our first student ever, Hnin Chu Thwel, to go overseas for a Summer Camp in Japan! International School of Asia, Karuizawa (ISAK) ensured a safe trip and she was so excited to go. Thanks to ISAK students for their great assistance and Hnin Chu Thwel had a super experience!

Students Back to Myanmar

27 students moved back to Myanmar and were able to continue their studies with approved Transfer Certificates. Some enrolled into Universities, which is a great accomplishment for our teachers who spent years teaching our students preparing them for higher education.



Students to Thai Schools

The FED Integration Program helps Burmese migrant children to integrate into Thai schools. They will benefit greatly from the Thai education while staying in Thailand. In 2017 the program was able to enroll 39 Burmese students, currently totaling 239 Burmese migrant children studying at a local Thai government school.



Start of Computer Lab

The first step to building the promising lab has been made: a wall that divides the library from the lab for closed classes. In the time of the internet this room will be key to the development of our children. Big thanks to everyone who supports this. Special thanks to Alex and Conni from Germany for their kick-start donation.



Student Transfer Certificates

With the Education Quality Assurance Board (EQAB), we held a 2-days Educational workshop for migrant teachers. The goal is to have Accredited Transfer Certificates for all migrant schools in Thailand, so migrant students can continue their studies when they return to Myanmar.

Total **778** Burmese migrants educated in Thailand

Cost per student approximated at **250 USD** per year

239 Burmese students studying at **29** Thai Government schools