



ENHANCING THE QUALITY OF LIFE

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Himalayan Children's Fund News

Dear Friends,

Rinpoche is currently in Taiwan and continuing to heal from his fall. He is doing well but it will still take time.

Here at HCF we have just completed our yearly audit and will be updating our financials soon. We are very grateful once again to the comprehensive and dedicated work of Vivian Kao and Kao and Kao CPAs.

Now that the new school year has begun we have many students at SMD and SMDBS needing support. If you are a sponsor of a student, please share your story of connection with others that we may provide more help to both schools!

Please enjoy and share the news.

~ Debra Ann

TARA ABBEY

The renovations at Tara Abbey have provided space for a new 'sick room'. The nuns can be cared for on the premises while protecting others from contagion.



SPONSORSHIP RATES

SMD BOARDING SCHOOL

Boarding Student	\$900.00*
Day Student	\$420.00

FOR MONASTICS

SMDBS or SMD Monk	\$480.00
Shedra Monk	\$600.00
Nun (base sponsorship)	\$240.00
Additional for school nun	\$240.00
Monk (base sponsorship)	\$240.00

We will always accept any amount toward sponsorships and find additional sponsors to complete the full fee amount.

* SMD calculates \$935.00 as the actual cost for boarding students, however, HCF is reluctant to increase sponsor fees and will continue to raise additional funds for the support of the school.

PHENDE CLINIC (NAMO BUDDHA CLINIC)

Since the Phende Clinic became officially registered last year, preparations have been underway for a fully functioning lab in order to provide basic pathology services that would otherwise require a few hours drive into the city. Having met all government requirements the lab is now ready for use and an opening ceremony was held May 8th.



What's next? The construction of a canopy over the balcony where patients wait in line for their consultation or treatment. As you can see in the photograph to the right, patients currently have to stand and wait in the open air, exposed to the full onslaught of any weather. The staff has proposed providing benches for sitting and attaching a curved canopy with metal supports which will protect from the strong monsoon rain as well as the sun. The estimated cost is \$4,000.00.

To donate through HCF designate: Phende Clinic.



CERT REFRESHER TRAINING

A CERT refresher training was recently conducted at Tara Abbey and Nammo Buddha. The monks and nuns are very committed to this knowledge and ability to provide emergency service to the community.

