



# Marist Asia Foundation

compassion in action



2015  
Annual Report

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# 2015

## Marist Asia Foundation serves Burmese Migrants on the Thailand Burma Border with Health, Education and Migrant Support Programmes



1. HIV AIDS Health Programme. In 2015 we supported 75 Adults / Children living with HIV AIDS
2. Education Programmes: In 2015 75 Burmese Migrant Preschool children, 95 Burmese Migrant Secondary Age children, 12 University Online Diploma students received a brighter future with education.
3. Migrant Support Programme: In 2015 English and computer classes were provided to help Migrant Workers gain skills for a brighter future.

### In 2015 we did some incredible things



**In 2015 the Health Programme** provided 2,883 translation services in hospital, 1,264 home visits, 359 nutrition packs, 11 HIV Education workshops, 683 hospital visits.



**In 2015 the Education Programme** 100% of preschool graduates will start primary school in 2016. 34 new students began Yr1 and we had 83% retention rate Yr 4 students. 90% of Yr 4 students continued in English Programme. All 2015 Online University Programme graduates employed. 12 new students began Online University and have achieved high grades in 3 completed courses so far.



**In 2015 the Migrant Support Programme** provided computer classes, english classes and developed the network relationship with Thai Government, Burmese Learning Centres - Teachers, and Catholic Social Services supporting Migrant Rights.

Probably the greatest achievement is seeing 200 Burmese Migrant Children coming to the Marist Centre every day. Safe. Smiling. Enjoying learning. Growing in self confidence and hope. The more we learn about our students and migrant families the more we recognise the large obstacles and their hunger for education as a step to a brighter future

## Achievements



# 2015-16 HIGHLIGHTS



" One of our most memorable moments is still on our first meeting with the 'University Online Diploma' students. As they introduced themselves, one boy spoke of how lucky they were to live in Ranong, where there was electricity 24/7, and running water. We suddenly recognised how lucky we have been all our life "

*International Volunteer*

Thank you to all our friends and supporters. Special thanks to Mísean Cara (Ireland), Marist Mission Centre (Australia), Caritas Verona (Italy), Australian Catholic University (ACU) Thai Burma Border Programme, Singapore Friends, 'small change, BIG difference' monthly supporters, Marist Schools, Supporter Schools, Partner Parishes worldwide, and the many individual donors of 2015



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# 2015-16 HIGHLIGHTS



" The hungry ask us for dignity not charity "  
Migrants and refugees are not pawns on the chessboard of humanity. They are children, women and men who leave or who are forced to leave their homes for various reasons, who share a legitimate desire for knowing and having, but above all for being more

*Pope Francis*

" While respecting its traditional ministries, the Society of Mary remains open to every form of apostolate, but preference is to be given to those works which are humanly unattractive and less rewarding. In all their ministries Marists are to be wholly compassionate and understanding towards human frailty."

*Marist Constitutions - 137*



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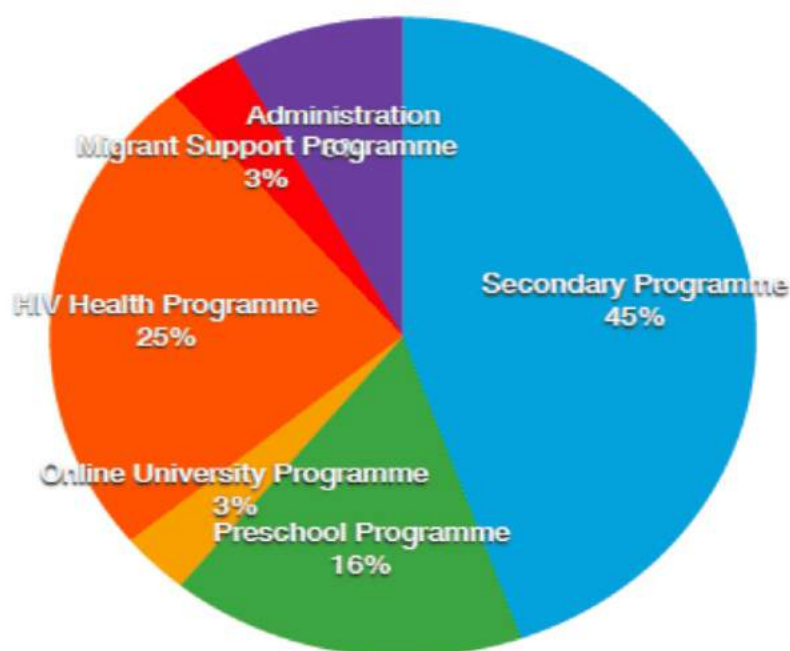
# Finance Report 2015

MARIST ASIA FOUNDATION

ANNUAL REPORT: EXPENDITURE REPORT 2015

## Marist Asia Foundation Programmes 2015

- Secondary Programme
- Preschool Programme
- HIV Health Programme
- Migrant Support Programme
- Administration
- Online University Programme



Programme	THAI BAHT	EURO	AUSTRALIAN
SECONDARY EDUCATION PROGRAMME	2,499,786.69	72,300	107,842
PRESCHOOL EDUCATION PROGRAMME	1,004,414	26,500	39,388
ONLINE UNIVERSITY PROGRAMME	195,393	5,141	7,662
HIV AIDS HEALTH PROGRAMME	1,525,527	40,145	59,824
MIGRANT SUPPORT PROGRAMME	206,204	5,426	8,086
ADMINISTRATION	490,431	12,900	19,232
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,172,000</b>	<b>162,500</b>	<b>242,037</b>

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# OUR PLANS

Over the next year, we will continue to support poor Burmese Migrant Families with quality Preschool, Secondary and Higher Education opportunities. We will accompany some of the poorest migrants living with HIV AIDS. Following a needs assessment we will develop our Migrant Outreach Programme to serve Migrant Workers and their families.



## COMPASSION LEARNING SERVING

**COMPASSION:** is significant for Marists, Buddhists, Christians, Muslims. It is a way of life we seek to show and grow in each child, each encounter, every programme.

**LEARNING:** provides the fundamental step out of poverty. It is the focus of our education and health programmes.

**SERVING:** is compassion in action. We care for the most abandoned and seek to create a community that welcomes and includes all.



## SUSTAINABILITY

Over the past few years we have diversified our funder base and grown friends and supporters from around the world.

We aim to form 3 year partnerships with funders, grow our friends and supporters, and make connections with Marist communities worldwide.

If you wish to become a friend and supporter contact Fr Frank Bird SM.  
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Marist Asia Foundation is a work of the Society of Mary - District of Asia, serving Burmese Migrant Worker families on the Thailand Burma Border. Donations can be made to support health, education and migrant workers and the needs of the Marist Community in Ranong. Our current need is to build a community house and chapel to provide safe and secure accommodation and welcome volunteers and staff to the Marist Mission in Ranong. contact [maristasiafoundation@gmail.com](mailto:maristasiafoundation@gmail.com) for details or visit [www.maristasiafoundation.org/donate](http://www.maristasiafoundation.org/donate)