



HELPING
PEOPLE MOVE ON

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COPE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

In 2018, COPE is expecting to support about 1,500 people to receive prosthetic and orthotic rehabilitation services. But to do this, we need your help. Please consider a donation to COPE or organise a fundraising event to help us to continue to support these vital, life-changing services. If you would like to receive our fundraising pack or discuss a fundraising idea, please contact COPE at fundraising.cope@gmail.com

WHAT YOUR MONEY CAN BUY

- Five days food allowance for one person: USD 20
- Lower leg and foot prosthesis for one person = USD 220
- Above knee and foot prosthesis for one person = USD 350
- Lower arm and hand prosthesis for one person = USD 170
- Upper arm and hand prosthesis person = USD 240
- Child clubfoot treatment for one person = USD 320

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A NEW LEG TO HELP TOM ACHIEVE HIS DREAM

This is Tom. He is 14 years old and lives in Meungpieng village, Meungpieng district, Xayabouly province. Tom is the oldest in his family and is currently studying in year three of secondary school. He used to play football every day with his friends after school and also helped his parents work in their farm, until his leg became swollen and painful. At first, his parents tried to treat him with traditional herbs and medicine at home but it became worse and worse. After he visited the hospital, he was diagnosed with bone cancer.

One month later, Tom had his leg amputated at the 150 hospital in Vientiane. He moved to CMR in April 2017 to receive his first prosthesis. He returned to COPE and CMR for his second device in August 2018.

“Since I received my prosthetic leg, I am so much happier. I can walk again, return to school and help my parents to work in the field and feed our ducks and chickens. In the future I want to be a mechanic I dream of having my own shop and I would also like to share my knowledge with people who have disabilities to help them to be independent and able to support themselves. Thank you so much to COPE and the kind supporters who have given me hope for my future.”

ON THE JOB CLINICAL TRAINING IN FIVE REHABILITATION CENTRES

After conducting the first round of quality clinical audits in the first half of the year, in this quarter COPE and CMR senior technical staff developed tailored training for each rehabilitation centre based on their audit results. The training focused on areas identified in the audit as most in need of support in order to strengthen the capacity of

prosthetists, orthotists and physiotherapists and to improve the quality of rehabilitation services for people with the physical disabilities. With thanks to the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and CBM for supporting this training.





WHAT'S ON AT THE COPE VISITOR CENTRE?

On August 27th 2018, COPE was honored to welcome the Australian Ambassador to the Lao PDR, Mr. Jean- Bernard Carrasco and the Deputy Head of Mission, Jane Chandler. The Ambassador received a tour to learn about the work of CMR and COPE helping people with physical disabilities to move on, how prostheses and orthoses are being made and more about the UXO problem in Laos.



LA LUNE RESTAURANT FUNDRAISING EVENTS

On 30 July 2018, we were delighted to welcome representatives from La Lune Restaurant who donated an incredible \$18,375 from two fundraising events held at their restaurant. Thank you very much for supporting people with disabilities to access P&O rehabilitation services.

If you feel inspired to hold a fundraiser for COPE, please do get in touch with us!

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