

## **MOSAIC CISV THAILAND 2016 Report**

### **Concept**

This is our outreach program that we want encourage the troubled community affected by the conflicts to engage in CISV educational activities and involvement.

Our Mosaic is a month-long project aimed to develop our JB's understanding of the advantage of their social opportunities by comparing their very own lives with that of the local community kids traumatized by the result of conflicts in the south of Thailand.

CISV has been the resources for Peace education so this has become the opportunity to put the theory into practices. We engage our CISV Juniors into thinking deeply what is peace and the consequences. . Learning about someone else's life and ambitions provides an opportunity for self-reflection. The program will empower JB's in Thailand to participate and organize activities in a mini-camp to achieve these goals, developing their leadership skills in the process. We aim to use our knowledge and context to help create the needed attitude, skills, and knowledge to become active global citizens. It is also meant to help them truly understand the conflict in the south of Thailand by hearing it from the kids of Baan Luuk Rieang, who have experienced the terror firsthand.

CISV can empower the kids from Baan Luuk Rieang through our Peace education concepts and processes and hopefully they could come up with possible, non-violent solutions in the future. We strongly feel that this development will be a solid foundation for both the kids of Baan Luuk Rieang and our CISV's JB's' future contribution to better the community they live in.

As CISV Thailand continues to exist, our motivation and commitment to give hope and happiness to the children of the future generation strengthens. By putting them together, we can help both communities to be connected and supportive to each other and making the world a better place to live in.

### **Our Objectives**

The children of Luuk Rieang house will be able to learn more about themselves through the four themes of CISV implemented in this mosaic program. We are convinced that these 4 themes are a solid foundation for a peaceful community. From the activities, participants will get to learn more about themselves from the perspectives of CISV and explore their

capabilities in order to reach their highest potential. More importantly, the goal is to guide them towards conflict with others because of their differences. This simulation will allow them to bring back to their daily lives conflict and resolution skills in a meaningful manner. It will be beneficial in the long run because they will learn ways to empathize and understand the differences between them and others and make peace with it. When they can instill this concept into their system, they will be able to learn to solve problems peacefully. This will not only be advantageous in short run but also in the long run. In the long run (and possibly at a macro scale), they could help solve problems within their communities and greatly impact their lives and the lives of others.

In addition, this program will also be beneficial to CISV Thailand's Junior Branch or The Break group. Our JBs will get to learn more about themselves whilst pushing their capabilities to the limit in order to increase their potential. Not only will this enhance their leadership skills, but also their creativity as well. In addition to leadership and creativity, Junior Branch members will also learn compassion for one another due to their exposure to a diverse group of people meaning they are able to learn from one another's experiences and ideas. However, the end goal of CISV is to not only improve individual potentials and capabilities, but to inspire and encourage these individuals to use their potential and capabilities to further improve themselves and the communities no matter how big or small.

**Participant: 61 Participants**

- Baan Luuk Rieang - 30
- CISV JBs - 25
- STAFF - 6

Duration: 15-21 October, 2016 (7 Days)

The process of preparation and selection and planning has to be done before preparation and training program for the team. We have acquired information about the Luuk Rieang group which are the war affected children in the southern part of Thailand. The staff has designed the program using cisv principles and activities to create the trusting environment for the sharing of the two groups. The planning has been

carefully done because there are many sensitive issues to be talked about so that we all both CISV kids and Luuk Rieang can build the friendship among the diversity situations.

## Narrative

15 October, 2016

Luuk Rieang kids arrived at Donmeung international Airport.



We started off with the CiSV icebreaking and teambuilding hoping to get both groups to open up to one another. We mixed, matched, and divided CISVers and Luuk Rieang kids into 4 subgroups. We also learnt about each other's organizations, roles and objectives. We concentrated on the team building throughout the day.



16-18 October 2016

On the second and third day, we focused on using CISV activities. Since CISV is the peace educational organization. We have introduced CISV 4 themed activities to let the group understand the peace process in CISV philosophy. We also encouraged all participants to reflect, and apply what they learned from these activities using the ASK models. At the same time, Luuk Rieang also shared the real situations in the south [of Thailand where conflicts occurred] and their organizational objectives which closely relates to CISV's. The only difference is that Baan Luuk Rieang faces this harsh reality everyday and have to deal with it peacefully without the necessary tools. This is where CISV steps in to help with our theories on peace and guidelines to achieving peace for our communities.



19 October 2016

Excursion day

It's the time to unwind themselves after the busy activity days. Our excursion begins at the Dusit Zoo where the kids spent a lot of time admiring the beautiful scenery and interesting animals. We have lunch in the zoo. We then headed to Siam Ocean World, an aquarium in the downtown area. Following our tiring, yet amazing expedition, we relaxed with a movie at Central World before having dinner at Siam Paragon and returning to our campsite.



20 October, 2016

We focused on sharing of their harshful experiences in lives. We believe somehow our friendship is strong enough to create the trusting environment to share our experiences from both groups. .From this activity, we realized that our problem is miniscule compared to theirs. We have talked about war but our CISV kids have no direct experiences, listening from them is the eye opener to understand the impact of war and the necessity to create peace. The reflection and debriefing have helped comforting their souls. Both parties have learned a lot from this activity and were able to share their newfound knowledge through the debrief questions in a small groups.



21 October, 2016 (Last day)

The last day of the program is like any other CISV programs which are full of memorable moments and tears. We both have the better knowledge of what the war was like and how they could affect the kids in the area. We have also learnt how to handle the conflict in the peaceful manner and in CISV ways.

At that moment, we realized how strong of a bond we had formed with them. And though we were sad that our time together was over, we were also happy to have showed them the world of CISV. Hopefully, they will have learned something valuable from us as we have from them.

