## Piglet breeding helps Khaodee Orphanage

March 2016::Announcement; March 2016: total funding through BEA-Stiftung; March 2016: purchase of 5 mother pigs

**Project description**: The Khaodee Orphanage is located in the province Chiang Rai, in the so-called "GOLDEN TRIANGLE" of the countries Laos, Myanmar and Thailand. The region is infamous for the cultivation of opium poppy and the making of heroine. The impacts on the local population and the number of drug addicts are extremely high, resulting in negative reactions both nationally and internationally. The Thai government tries to intervene by forceful criminal prosecution. Further positive aspects are the promotion of cultivating tea and coffee as well as an improvement of the tourism industry. Nevertheless, there are many poor people in the mountain territories, mostly



expelled from neighbouring countries. Survival is difficult in these partly very cliffy mountains, where the areas for agricultural use are limited. We want to provide a reasonable alternative for the cultivation of opium poppy by systematically supporting very poor families, single women and elder people in achieving their own income in a sustainable way.



**The project aim** is to breed piglets on the grounds of the orphanage and then sell them with a weight of 20 kg. The orphanage thereby generates money and at the same time it is able to provide piglets at favourable terms to our start-up businesses regarding sustainable pig keeping for poor families. As the pigs live on waste from household, gardening and agriculture, they only cause little addiditional costs. After four months, the pigs weigh 100 kg and can either by slaughtered for the family's own purpose or they can be sold to earn money and buy further piglets.

The Khaodee Orphanage is already experienced in breeding piglets and therefore owns an appropriate pig-home with spacious stabling. Unfortunately, some of the important breeding sows of the last generations have died of an animal disease and the orphanage has no money to buy new pigs. We want to build up the breeding stock with **six** particularly tough and useful breeding sows by providing a one-off support to help the orphanage gain income by selling the piglets. We need **250 Euro** for one breeding sow (a total of **1500 Euro** for six animals). The **GESINAS**-Foundation in cooperation with ImmunoTools GmbH will take its share in the coordination, the further training in pig-keeping and pig-breeding, information about pig diseases and in regular medical treatment of the breeding sows and their piglets.



The BEA-Foundation donated completely this project with 1500 EUR directly after its announcement.

We and the children and the staff from Khaodee-Orphanage thank BEA-Stiftung and Beatrix Ackermann very much for this generous donation.

## Please donate now:

GESINAS-Foundation donation account: BIC: GENODEF1BSL, IBAN: DE13280629130014419300 Purpose: Piglet breeding Khaodee Orphanage

Donation receipts can be issued Further donations are used for similar projects.

## About our project partners, the Khaodee Church Ministries in Thailand:

Khaodee Church or Good News Church (*khaodee in Thai language means good news*) was founded and organized by Pastor Simoon Chaiwangyen in 1991 and runs an orphanage with 100 children. The address is 31/1 Moo 17 T. Pateung, Maechan, Chiang Rai, Thailand. There are Hill tribes in the close vicinity belonging to the poorest amd least educated Thai people. The Khaodee-Orphanage aims to help children from poor families, orphans and physically and/or sexually abused children to achieve good social structures and access to education.

The GESINAS-Foundation in cooperation with ImmunoTools GmbH is already supporting the Khaodee-Orphanage, in order to sustainably improve the situation of the children, their families and relatives and provide the children with school education and access to the universities.

This leads to a combination of purely social projects, as especially supported by the GESINAS-Foundation and SOCIAL BUSINESS. The main character of SOCIAL BUSINESS is a mix of social responsibility and market-based trade, something that has been practised by our partner ImmunoTools GmbH for many years now.

The sustainability of SOCIAL BUSINESS consists of financial support during the phase of Start-Up and thereby providing the base for the families to gain their own income without being dependent on further donations. In the long term, a donation combined with education, training, transfer of knowledge and long-term mentoring leads to a significant improvement of the life situation.

## Project progress: 17th March 2016

There has been already the possibility to acquire the sows on the 17th of March 2016. Instead of acquiring 6 sows as formerly planed only 5 animals have been purchased which are a bit older and heavier. Only 95 percent of the donated sum had to be spent for the 5 sows which weigh together more than 520 kg. The rest of the donation was used for cleaning solution and disinfectant powder to begin with cleaning and disinfecting the hog houses thoroughly before using them again.



There are 2 main advantages of the purchase of elder sows: first of all the orphanage can start earlier to breed piglets for another project ,, the pig breeding as source of income for poor families".

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