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- Yes, add me to Operation Smile's email list

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OPERATION SMILE THAILAND

Since 1997, generous supporters have helped Operation Smile Thailand:

- Provide free surgical and post-operative care to over 8,000 children and young adults
- Conduct post-operative treatment and therapy for patients with significant speech difficulties and dental issues
- Increase access to quality care by sponsoring training and educational programs for Thai medical volunteers
- Deliver safe surgery to every patient through Global Standards of Care which are quality-focused policies for medical treatment, medical equipment and supplies
- Empower students with a sense of social responsibility and volunteerism while building leadership skills
- Raise funds and awareness for children suffering from facial deformities



OUR STORY

We believe that all children deserve to live their lives with dignity. And for those suffering from facial deformities, dignity begins with a smile.

Each year, thousands of children in the Kingdom of Thailand are born with a cleft lip or cleft palate. They are often hidden away, shunned by their family, and isolated from their community.

As part of the largest volunteer-based cleft charity in the world, Operation Smile Thailand provides free and safe surgery for children suffering from clefts throughout the country. Our teams focus on delivering immediate results today and building sustainability programs to create a lasting impact for tomorrow.

But too many children still need your help.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is a cleft lip and cleft palate?

A cleft is an opening in the lip, the roof of the mouth or the soft tissue in the back of the mouth. A cleft lip may be accompanied by an opening in the bones of the upper jaw and/or the upper gum. A cleft palate occurs when the two sides of a palate do not join together, resulting in an opening in the roof of the mouth. A cleft lip and palate can occur on one side or both sides. A child can suffer from a cleft lip, a cleft palate or both.

What causes cleft lip and cleft palate?

The exact cause is unknown. Cleft lip and cleft palate occur early in embryonic development, before the child is born. Scientists believe a combination of genetic and environmental factors, including maternal illness, drugs or malnutrition, may lead to a cleft lip or cleft palate.

How does a cleft affect a child?

Children with a cleft lip or cleft palate must endure many physical, emotional and developmental problems. Most children are not able to eat properly and as a result may suffer from

malnutrition and life-long developmental ailments such as speech impediments. The children often don't attend school and are frequently ostracized by their communities, adding deep emotional pain.

How frequently do cleft lips and cleft palates occur?

Cleft lips and cleft palates occur in approximately 1 per 500 births, the ratio varying considerably across geographic areas or ethnic groupings. (Source: World Health Organization International Collaborative Research on Craniofacial Anomalies)

YOUR GIFT CAN CHANGE A LIFE, FOREVER

Costing approximately 25,000 baht per child, a life-changing surgery can be performed in as little as 45 minutes. Unfortunately, even this small cost remains out of reach for many families living in rural Thailand and too many children never receive the desperately needed surgery.

Give a child a better chance to live their life with dignity ... and a chance to smile.