

Sulads Southeast Asia

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# PROJECT PROPOSAL



To Provide for a Sulad Headquarters and  
Training Center for Southeast Asia

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# SUMMARY

In Thailand over 90% follow Buddhism and only 1% of the population is Christian. In looking at Laos, Cambodia, Malaysia, and Myanmar a similar analysis would appear but with even less being Christian.

For Several years the "Sulad Method" has been used in Thailand and other countries in Southeast Asia. It currently has no location which can be used as a headquarters and training center.

This proposal provides for the purchase of a suitable facility to provide a location to act as a headquarters and training center. Through special circumstances the proposed facility has been made available to the Sulads organization at a substantial discount from its original cost. Located in a rural area, it has ready-made and newer buildings, land for cultivation, and potential for self support. The Sulad program in Southeast Asia has been operating for 3 years but due to a lack of personnel and resources it has been unable to expand. Currently there are 10 Sulad missionaries from the Philippines. This proposal will provide the infrastructure needed to expand the program outreach into countries in and around Thailand while keeping operational costs low.

## Introduction

Sulads Thailand was begun over three years ago and formulated to mirror the successful outreach of Sulads Philippines among the indigenous peoples of that country. That program has expanded to almost all areas of the Philippines.

Sulads Thailand now plans to expand its outreach to include not only Thailand but also Laos, Vietnam, Cambodia, and Myanmar. Plans are in place to potentially change its name to Sulads Southeast Asia to better reflect the planned outreach.

By initially using Sulads missionaries from the Philippines the cultural differences are minimized and costs are greatly reduced. With the Philippines being an English speaking country, bringing properly certified teachers from there is far more efficient than from other more western countries.

If the Sulads program is to expand in Southeast Asia it must not depend on missionaries from outside the area but must train and use missionaries from within the countries within its territory. The proposed facility will allow and encourage this while also reducing the cost of the proposed expansion.

The proposed facility will also allow for the unique practical program provided to missionaries in terms of micro enterprises such as agriculture. It also provides a location away from the city influences which is more conducive to a quality training location. It will also provide adequate "laboratory" environment for practical training in outreach ministry.

## Needs/Problems

All of the countries in Southeast Asia are reaching out to be a part of the global market place. This means that most young people are anxious to learn one or more major languages of the world, the most common being English.

This provides a growing opportunity for properly qualified teachers and students to teach and learn English as a second language while at the same time building relationships that can be expanded into gospel outreach. Visas are limited for church organizations but the various schools can request visas for potential teachers. All Sulad teachers will be "supervised and screened" by Sulads Asia and provide them training and tools needed for outreach.

Married couples will be encouraged to participate where possible.

Countries currently served by Sulads Southeast Asia include:

- Thailand- Population 69 Million, 95% Buddhist
- Cambodia- Population 15 Million, 97% Buddhist
- Laos- Population 7 Million, 67% Buddhist
- Myanmar- Population 15 Million, 97% Buddhist
- Vietnam- Population 96 Million, 80% no religion

## Goals/Objectives

To provide funding of \$100,000 for purchase of a designated facility consisting of 6.3 hectares (1575 acres) plus improvements by April, 2020

## Procedures/Scope of Work

All missionaries are required to attend a training program provided by Sulads Southeast Asia. While Sulads Southeast Asia has relied upon imported missionaries, this facility will provide a base for training local missionaries along with those from other countries.

While in the training program they will learn the basics of the "Sulad Method" which will be applied in their work assignment after completion of the training.

The center will also be used as a school for local qualified students from which missionaries will be recruited. The core curriculum will be English language instruction along with other academic subjects. Students will be required to work in various micro enterprises on campus which will help to supplement the cost of instruction as well as provide a skill they can use in their outreach ministry.

The center will also allow for a headquarters for the Sulad program in Southeast Asia which it currently does not have.

# Timetable

	<b>Description of Work</b>	<b>Start and End Dates</b>
Phase One	Promotion of need	November 15, 2019 to December 31, 2019
Phase Two	Purchase of facility	By May 30, 2020
Phase Three	Facility operatioal	July 31, 2020

# Financial Budget

The estimated cost of the facility will be US\$100,000. The current value is estimated at over US\$1,000,000 and is be offered at this special discounted price only to the Sulads Southeast Asia by its current owner, another NGO operating in Thailand. The condition of the property and building is excellent and provides for expansion and self generated income.

Sulads International will be providing promotion of the project and Phase Three will take place as funds are available.

	<b>Description of Work</b>	<b>Anticipated Costs</b>
Phase One	Promotion of need	\$300.00
Phase Two	Purchase of property	\$100,000.00
Phase Three	Dormitory Modifications	\$40,000.00

# Key Personnel

Jhun Cardiente, as program coordinator will provide guidance to the purchase details in consultation with the Thailand Mission, Sulads International, and others.

Chlowe Mantalaba will be charge of the campus itself and guide in the transition from the current owner to Sulads Southeast Asia.

# Evaluation

The progress of the plan will be evaluated based on funds raised and the successful completion of the facility acquisition. A separate business plan is being constructed for the operation of the facility. This proposal is only for the acquisition of the facility/property.

The Thailand Mission will be the custodian of funds during the acquisition process and audits will be made as appropriate. Occular inspections will be made by Sulads International as appropriate.

# Endorsements

Thailand Mission of Seventh Day Adventists 12 Soi 37 Pridi Banomyong, Sukhumvit 71, KlongtanNua, Wattana, Bangkok 10110, Thailand

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# Next Steps

The initial fundraising steps will include but not be limited to: Email contacts with friends of Sulads International and Sulads Thailand through the months of November and December. Regular and frequent communication will continue until the funds needed are raised. All donors will receive regular reports on progress of the project.

Any donors desiring to participate in the project enablement are requested to send donations by check to Sulads International Inc. Credit card donations may be made on the website of Sulads International Inc. Tax deductible receipts will be issued for valid use only in the United States. Other country deductability evaluations must be made by a qualified tax professional.

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# Appendix

## **Sulad Missionary Qualifications**

1. A baptized member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church
2. Committed and dedicated to missionary endeavor
3. Between 20 and 50 years of age
4. Hold a bachelor's degree in education, nursing, English, or Theology
5. Have excellent command of the English language
6. Love for people, the Lord, His church, Buddhist, and animists
7. Passion for sharing the Gospel
8. Being a people person is a must!
9. Willing to serve through teaching English and be involved with outreach activities
10. Team player
11. Healthy self-esteem
12. Open-minded and adaptable
13. Able to commit for a minimum of 3 years
14. Willing and able to work under the guidance of the Sulads Southeast Asia.
15. Willing and able to do things the "Thai/Cambodian/Laosian-style"
16. Learning local language is required
17. Preferably no children at time of recruitment

### **Proposed facility includes:**

1. 6.3 hectares of land (15.75 acres)
2. Boys dormitory
3. Girls dormitory
4. 5 staff houses
5. A conference room
6. Kitchen area
7. Classroom building
8. Vocational training skills building
9. Water system and outbuildings



Entrance to Property



Grounds and Lake



Grounds and Lake



Squash in property garden





Conference Hall building



Pineapple in property garden



Sulads at work in Thailand



Sulads are influencing lives in Southeast Asia