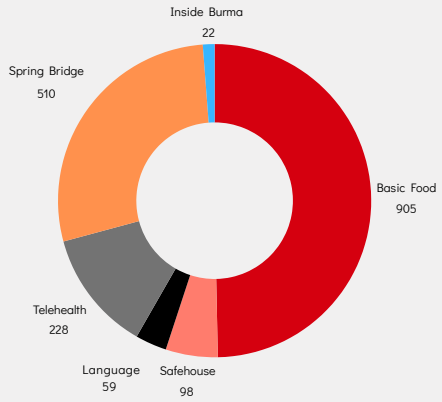
New Myanmar Foundation
Building a strong foundation for our society

Program Overview for January 2024

Since the military coup in February 2021, the New Myanmar Foundation (NMF) has been providing emergency assistance to the Burmese people inside and outside facing humanitarian crisis. The newly arrived Burmese human rights defenders are provided with shelter, basic food and commodities, emergency medical care, online education, life skills training, Thai language, vocational training, and job facilitation for long term income generation. The following are the initiatives undertaken in January.

Highlights

- There are several NMF programs still running. Most of them are emergency response to the humanitarian crisis in Burma. They are essential to the Burmese in Maesot and inside Burma, and the continued fundings are also very crucial for them.
- Some programs such as support to the absconding community leaders inside Burma, human rights program and online Thai language trainings still get the fundings.
- However, there is shortage of fundings to several programs including telehealth, safe houses and online education.
- Industrial sewing machine training is one key women empowerment program. However, due to the chronic lack of funding, it has been discontinued in this January 2024.



Number of beneficiaries in our programs in January 2023

Gender analysis of the overall beneficiaries

Percentage of male 45%

Percentage of female 50%

Percentage of LGBT 1%

Percentage of children 4%

Basic Food Program

The program provided cash assistance of 250 Baht to 905 individuals. Of them 247 were new applicants (121 males, 123 females, and 3 LGBTs), and 658 individuals (336 males, 318 females, and 4 LGBTs) repeated applicants. Since February 2022, NMF's basic food program has provided assistance of 23,036 units (One month units) to 11,170 individuals.

"The financial assistance provided by the New Myanmar Foundation helps me cover minor expenses for purchasing essential utilities, particularly during challenging times at the end of each month."

Female Burmese Refugee in Mae Sot.

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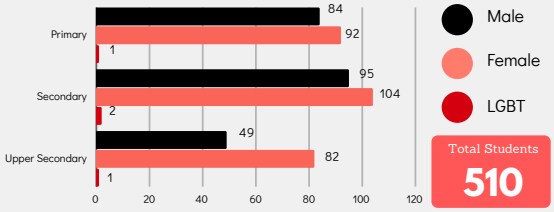
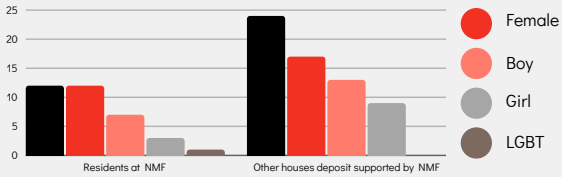
Spring Bridge Online School



Telehealth Program

NMF's medical doctors provided healthcare services to 228 Burmese in Maesot including 72 males, 117 females and 39 children. 16 patients received teleconsultation, while 205 patients were provided with treatment in the home, and 7 patients were referred to Mae Tao Clinic. Since the start, NMF's telehealth program has provided free healthcare services to 1,676 Burmese in Mae Sot, which cover 460 males (27%), 906 females (54%) and 310 children (19%).

Safehouse Program



Human Rights Program

Curriculum development for ongoing trainings

- basic human rights, digital security knowledge
- freedom of expression
- documentation of human rights violations and abuses.

Coordination meeting with local partner CSOs, human rights organizations and interim government institutions were conducted.

In October 2023 avillage in Myaung Township, Sagaing Region, was set on fire in a military raid. 21 houses and many other civilian properties were destroyed.
(Photos: a local HRD organization in alliance)

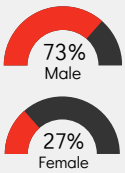
Languages Program

Since the start of the NMF's language training program, a total of 630 trainees successfully completed the Thai and English Training. In January 2024, 259 participants received Languages training (100 males, 153 females, and 6 LGBT) of which, 59 participants have successfully graduated (18 males, and 41 females).

25 % of the students have successfully graduated in English Language Training

Inside Burma Support Program

A total of 22 human rights defenders was provided with cash support in December 2023



Networking Activity

Two statements have been released:
1. On January 4th - A statement marking "Independence Day".
2. On January 11th - A statement commemorating "Karen New Year".

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