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*“Education is the most powerful
weapon which you can use to change
the world.” – Nelson Mandela*



Education and capacity building are powerful tools for personal growth and empowerment. The skills and knowledge individuals gain through education remain with them throughout their lives, enabling them to build sustainable and independent futures. Our efforts to reduce vulnerability among marginalized groups, New Life Center Foundation (NLCF), continue receiving funds from the Sievert Larsson Scholarship and Create Your Future Foundation (SLSF/CYF), played a critical role in supporting young people through access to education. As a result, during the 2025–2026 academic year, a total of 301 students received scholarships and access to quality education. This support helped protect them from potential exploitation and human trafficking while expanding their opportunities for a better future.

We are also proud to celebrate 84 students who successfully graduated from university, associate degree programs, and high school during this period. As a reflection of the program's long-term impact, 79% graduates have secured employment in safe environments with fair wages, marking an important step toward sustainable livelihoods and independence.



CUMULATIVE STATISTICAL OVERVIEW (2007-2025)

Total number of Graduates: 734

Number Currently Studying: 301

- University: 263
- Associate's: 23
- High/Tech School: 15

Total number of students who dropped out: 95 (8%)

Number of Applicants in 2025: 400

Number of Interviews in 2025: 171

Number of Acceptances in 2025: 92

Total number of scholarship recipients as of Dec, 2025: 1,130



Life Skills Training

On 21 March 2026, NLCF conducted life skills training sessions for scholarship recipients. This program assessed participants' knowledge, confidence, and work-life challenges. While many reported prior exposure to topics such as teamwork (80%), self-discovery (73%), and financial management (53%), significant gaps remain in essential skills, including communication, conflict management, and self-confidence.

15 Participants



Approximately 80% of participants face daily financial difficulties, driven more by behavioral patterns than lack of knowledge. Many also struggle with self-awareness and emotional management, reflecting a need to strengthen their inner foundation.

The training achieved strong outcomes, with average scores increasing from 2.59 to 4.00 (+54%). Over 80–90% of participants applied their learning in real life, demonstrating improved self-awareness, clearer career direction, stronger interpersonal skills, and a more practical financial mindset.

To ensure sustainable impact, continued training, follow-up activities, and practical workshops are recommended to reinforce long-term behavioral change.

Lily* was born as youngest among four siblings into a Hmong family in Laos, where having a son is highly valued. ethnic minority group and her father having strong hopes that his youngest will be a son. When her father learned Lily is not a boy, he became abusive and left the family for a new wife before she was born. Lily's mother was left alone to raise four children in extreme poverty, with little food and no stable income.

In 2015, Lily's mother brought her children to Thailand in search of a better life. Lily was born there, but without legal documents, she could not obtain a birth certificate and was given a 'zero identity' status for the whole family through her aunt's support. Lily's mom got a daily labour just for 200 THB, while Lily's older siblings went to study at a temple to access food and education. Lily's childhood was marked by hardship. Her mother remarried to second husband and ended at Lily's 10 years old due to domestic violence and Lily experienced sexual abuse at home. Her mother then finds out that she was pregnant for 2 months. During this time, Lily was often blamed and mistreated, leaving deep emotional scars. Fortunately, her aunt took her to the hospital for support. Despite these challenges, Lily carried heavy responsibilities from a young age, working in the farm, caring for her younger sibling, and continuing her education with little time to rest or play.

After finishing Grade 9, Lily was told to stop studying, work on the farm, and prepare for marriage to a rich man. Lily felt deeply upset and told her mom "I will continue high school level". Her mom was very angry and grabbed the knife to punish her, causing Lily to run away and stay at a friend's house. A few days later, Lily came back and pretended to follow her mother's wishes, "I will do farming instead of studying", Lily secretly enrolled in an adult program school on Saturday and completed high school education. Lily dreams of going to university pursuing a field she is passionate about, but still worries about the expenses.

Beyond Where I Began



'I would like to sincerely thank the New Life Center Foundation for granting me this scholarship opportunity. This support has given me hope to pursue my university education and has helped me erase the negative belief that my life was born with misfortune. I am determined to study hard and make the most of this scholarship to achieve my life goals'

- Lily

At her age of 18, when her mother remarried seemed happier, Lily shared her plan "Mom, I will go to work in the city and send her money every month". She then found a job as a waitress, earning 380THB per day, and sent 3,000 THB to her mother each month while saving the rest for her education.

However, higher education often comes with high costs, which remains a challenge for Lily. But she didn't give up and continued searching for opportunities, eventually Lily found a New Life Center Foundation scholarship and applied. She was overjoyed when she saw her name on the list of selected recipients. Today, Lily is in the second year of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, majoring in Chinese Language. Alongside her studies, she works part-time, earning about 200 THB per day to support herself. Lily believes that developing herself through higher education is the way to live a better life, and also proving to her mother that women can achieve anything to create a brighter future.



Turning What I Have Received Into Strength For Others

Wawa, a young Karen woman, grew up without her parents and in deep poverty, facing an uncertain future from an early age. To continue her education, Wawa moved in with her aunt and uncle. However, life there was difficult. Her uncle was an alcoholic addition, the family had financial hardship, and resources were limited. From those factors and to keep studying, Wawa chose to live on the school campus was the best choice.

During school break, Wawa worked at the Royal Project planting trees, cleaning leaves, and gardening earning 120 THB per day. She did this to ease the burden of her aunt and uncle, who could only support 500 THB per month. Later on, Wawa moved in with other relatives raising 3 children, but the struggle continued, often hearing *“I can not support you as I must prioritize my children for the school”*. Still, Wawa preserved things quietly. With resilience and determination, Wawa achieved an outstanding GPA of 3.82.

Wawa’s life changed when she learned about a scholarship from the New Life Center Foundation (NLCF) through her friend who used to receive it before. Wawa applied, was selected, and started receiving at year six of high school continuous support for five years. In 2025, Wawa graduated from Rajabhat University Chiang Rai with a degree in Social Psychology (Faculty of Education).

Today, Wawa works with the Mae Fah Luang Foundation as a Child and Youth Development Officer. This changing life has witnessed to us that *“Once a girl who felt she had no path forward, she now stands before young people sharing her journey, inspiring hope, and empowering others”*. Wawa’s story is a powerful reminder: when given the right opportunity and support, a life can be transformed and return as uplift many others.



A Commitment to Brighter Future

NLCF is pleased to fully allocate all the funds received from SLSF/CCF each year to support scholarship recipients. In the 2025 academic year, formalized agreements with a total 301 students. During this process, many parents expressed heartfelt gratitude for the support provided through NLCF and SLSF/CCF. One father, though visibly nervous, stepped onto the on stage with full of happiness that *“Without this scholarship, my child would not be able to continue their education. Beyond the schoolling, it had brought hope to families and open the door to a better future opportunities for the students. Thank you very much for helping us!”*

301 Students attended



Field Visit

In the 2025–2026 academic year, our dedicated case managers, Phinit and Jarunee, provided guidance, counseling, and encouragement through the field visits. They engaged with 25 families (around 50 individuals) and supported 25 students throughout the process. Through this close connection, our team built strong relationships and gained deeper insight into students' living conditions, challenges, and root causes affecting their lives. Many families we met are among the most vulnerable and at high risk of human trafficking, depression, and hopelessness. These visits not only empowered students but also extended meaningful support to their families during home visits.

On the other hand, we were encouraged by their heartfelt gratitude and determination to complete their education and build better futures. Jarunee shared that *“Through my role, I’m truly grateful for the opportunities these children have received through this program. It’s inspiring to see them pursue their dreams, find meaningful work they enjoy, and build brighter, more secure lives for himself and family members. Thank you so much for making this possible.”*



Case Managers

"The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you." — **B.B. King**



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Jarunee Wala



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“On behalf of the entire team at NLCF, scholarship recipients, and the families of students, we are so grateful for your generosity and long standing support. Your commitment has restored many lives, prevented different types of harm, and created a brighter future for thousands of people.

Because of you, the young generation who are under vulnerable, facing hardship, and fighting through high risks have been encouraged to pursue their dreams through education with hope, resilience, and continue making a positive change in their life and families. Thank you for walking alongside with the New Life Center Foundation and opening up the door of education accessible to those who need it most.”