

# Project Justification: SOLO Cambodia

## Purpose

SOLO Cambodia is a strategic initiative under Majesty International designed to equip Cambodia's youth with internationally recognized Wilderness First Responder (WFR) and Village First Aid (VFA) skills. The program will train 20–40 instructors who will then multiply impact by training hundreds of youth annually, providing communities with life-saving medical skills, leadership development, and pathways to long-term empowerment.

## Alignment with Majesty International's Prioritization Framework

### 1. National Focus – Serving Cambodia's Most Vulnerable

SOLO Cambodia directly addresses Cambodia's urgent need for trained medical responders in rural and underserved areas. It prioritizes Khmer youth who will remain in-country, applying skills to save lives in their own communities. By building a Cambodian-led instructor base, the program strengthens local resilience without reliance on external trainers.

### 2. Education-Based – Creating Sustainable Learning Environments

The program delivers structured, competency-based training in emergency response, combining theory with hands-on, scenario-based learning. Instructors will not only teach first aid but will also embed these skills in schools, youth programs, and partner NGOs, ensuring ongoing education rather than one-time training.

### 3. Holistic Development – Leadership, Service, and Community Responsibility

SOLO Cambodia is more than technical training—it builds leadership, critical thinking, teamwork, and a sense of civic responsibility. Participants are mentored in both skill mastery and character development, fostering leaders who serve with integrity and compassion.

### 4. Targeting Priority of Life – Reaching At-Risk Youth

The program prioritizes youth under 30, with special focus on those under 20 who are at risk of exploitation, poverty, or labor abuse. By equipping them with recognized medical skills, SOLO Cambodia opens pathways to employment, community service, and further education.

### 5. Longer-Term Sustainability – Multiplication Through Instructor Development

Rather than relying on foreign trainers indefinitely, SOLO Cambodia trains Khmer instructors to replicate the program nationwide. This "train-the-trainer" model ensures scalability, community ownership, and independence from ongoing foreign facilitation,

making it financially and operationally sustainable.

**6. Strategic Leverage & Partnerships – Working with Established Networks**

SOLO Cambodia partners with global leaders such as SOLO Wilderness Medical Schools and the Asclepius Snakebite Foundation, as well as Cambodian NGOs, churches, and community organizations. These partnerships provide technical credibility, broaden reach, and ensure that trained instructors have immediate platforms to teach.

**7. Resource Efficiency & Feasibility – High Impact for Cost**

The program leverages a one-time instructor certification investment to create years of recurring community training. By equipping a small number of trainers who will multiply skills across hundreds of youth annually, the cost per person trained becomes exceptionally low compared to repeated foreign-led courses.

**Conclusion**

SOLO Cambodia embodies Majesty International's mission and core criteria by equipping Khmer youth to save lives, lead in crisis, and serve their communities with competence and compassion. It turns short-term investment into long-term transformation, builds Cambodian-led capacity, and provides a sustainable framework for medical training that can be replicated across the nation.