

PRESS RELEASE: Moments Make Families: Loving Brothers & Sisters

SOS Children's Villages Thailand commemorates UN International Day of Families

According to SOS Children's Villages Thailand has been the winner for the Thailand NGO Awards 2014 for the large category of non-profit organizations from across Thailand that demonstrate good governance and accountability, innovations in resource mobilization, and effective programming and financial management. This is the great support to SOS Children's Villages Thailand to fulfill our commitment to help Thai children who have lost the care of their parents to become a part of "A loving home" by our four principles which are: mother, brothers and sisters, house and village.

SOS Children's Villages, which works globally to ensure children have a supportive family, is encouraging people to celebrate the UN International Day of Families on 15 May. SOS Children's Villages Thailand (as a member of SOS Children's Villages International which is active in 134 countries over the world) commemorates this special occasion to conduct the press conference at LG (Indoor), Siam Square One, Bangkok in this year concept "**Moments Make Families: Loving Brothers & Sisters**"; **bonding relationship between SOS brothers and sisters.**

Thana Taerattanachai, Secretariat and Board of Director of SOS Children's Villages Thailand said about the objective of this event "We know that every child should live in a family who will support them to reach their potential. The International Day of Families will be a special day to take some time to giving thanks to our own families, and to remember and reach out to **all those children throughout the world who do not have a family that nurtures and gives them a sense of belonging.** SOS Children's Villages Thailand help children who lost their parental care to grow up in the most natural way possible and develop their individual skills, interests and talents. **Especially, the SOS mother gives the child a home in her heart. Boys and girls of different ages and background live together as brothers and sisters that is how a lifelong bond grows.** Presently, there are 700 children caring in 60 SOS families of 5 SOS Children's Villages; Bangpoo Samutprakarn, Hatyai Songkla, Nongkhai, Chiang Rai and Phuket. We also guide them on their path from childhood to adulthood. There are more than 500 integrated youths and adults from SOS Children's Villages Thailand who are living as independent, responsible and contributing members of Thai society".

We would like to invite you to become "Elder brothers and Elder sisters" to make the difference to "Young brothers and Young sisters" in SOS families to have the second opportunity in live to have a loving family and happy childhood once again by support SOS Children's Villages Thailand. For more information, please visit the website www.sosthailand.org or www.facebook.com/SOSThailand or tel. 02-3801177.

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