



Charity Review

Universal Foundation for Persons with Disabilities

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Charity Purpose:

Universal Foundation for Persons with Disabilities focuses on career training across the country to enable disabled persons to be self reliant and enhancing the capability of disabled persons which also improves the Thai perception to be that the disabled persons are not a burden to society.

Universal Foundation for Persons with Disabilities founded by Prof. Wiriya Namsiripunpong who is also the chairman of The Christian Care Foundation for the Blind in Thailand under the Royal Patronage of H.M.the King Rama 9. The Universal Foundation for Persons with Disabilities registered number is 0460 as a Public Benefit Organization and was elevated to a Public Charitable Organization on February 14, 2007. Donations to the foundation is entitled to tax deductibility. item number 628 in accordance with the Ministry of Finance.

Review Process:

Prof. Wiriya Namsiripunpong, the Chairman of the UFPD kindly allocated his time to meet Mr. Manu Pensawangwat, a GBA's representative for site-visiting, interview, review and rating on Friday 1st, December 2017. He spent almost 2 hours for the interview section. His staff presented the last two years financial statements for the year 2015 and 2016 with the foundation's brochures and the minute of the general meeting for the year 2016 to GBA's representative on the day.

Brief Biography/History:

Founder's Background

In 1967, Prof. Wiriya Namsiripongpun had an accident from unintentionally playing a bomb causing him completely blind when he was at 15 years old.

He met Miss. Genevieve Caulfield, the founder of Bangkok School for the Blind and received permission to attend the school class, after his brother had previously used much effort to get him be admitted to the school and was refused due to his age.

Learning in Bangkok School for the Blind, he was able to pass the school classes and subsequently had the good opportunity to learn with normal student at Saint Gabriel's College in 1968 and Assumption School in 1970.

- 1972 he was admitted to the Law faculty, Thammasart University.
- 1976 he was selected from the university to be a teacher at the Faculty of Law with the University. Since then, he also works for the right of disabled persons.
- 1976 to 1979, he collaborated with the Bangkok Association for the Blind on building library for the Blind and calling for the amendments the Act that limited the right of persons with disabilities.
- 1983, he graduated Master degree from Harvard University, Cambridge Massachusetts USA. Since then, he initiated the Council of All Kind Disabilities Persons and dedicated his life to work with the Council up to present. He now has assumed the role of Chairman of the Council for 4 terms.

The Foundation establishment background.

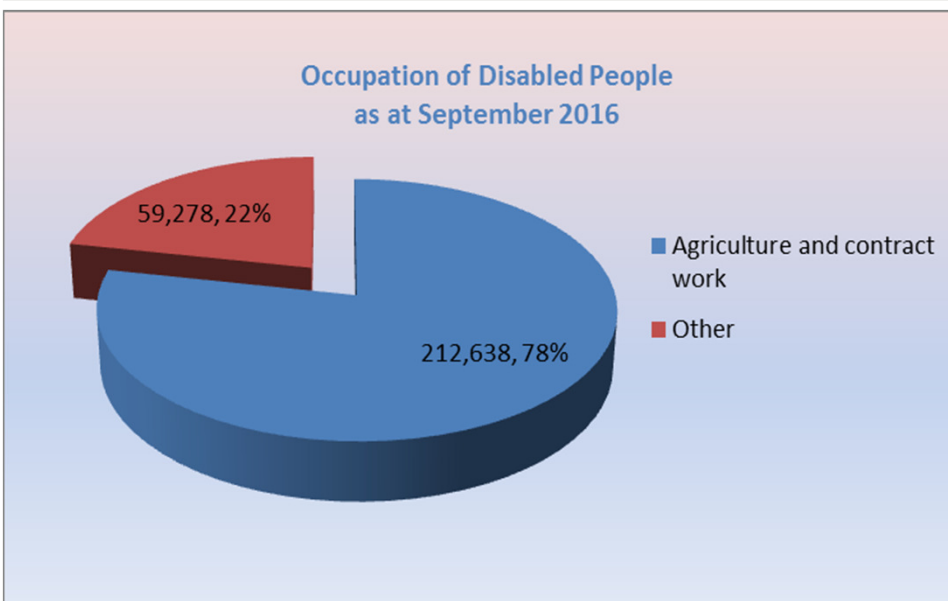
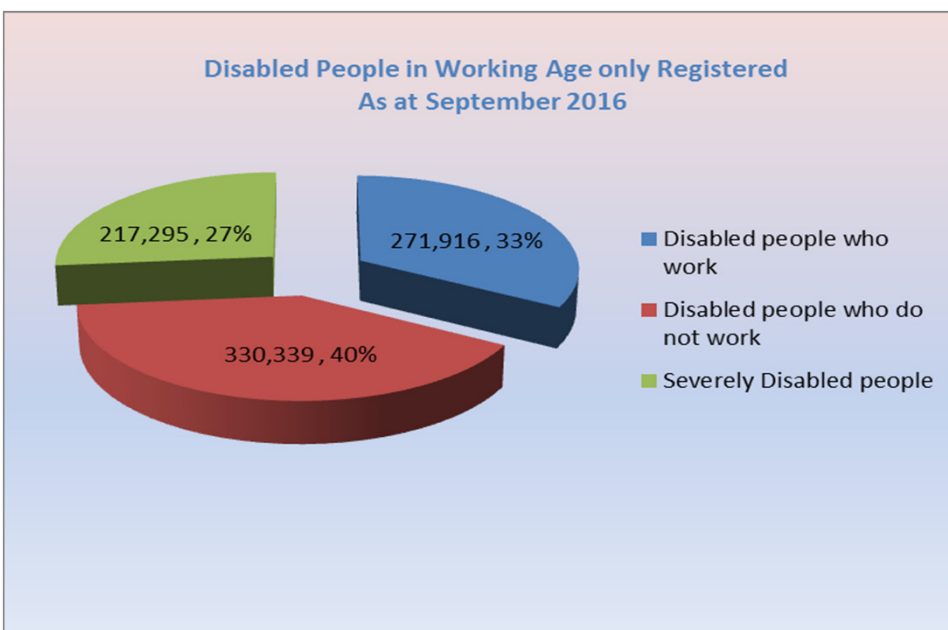
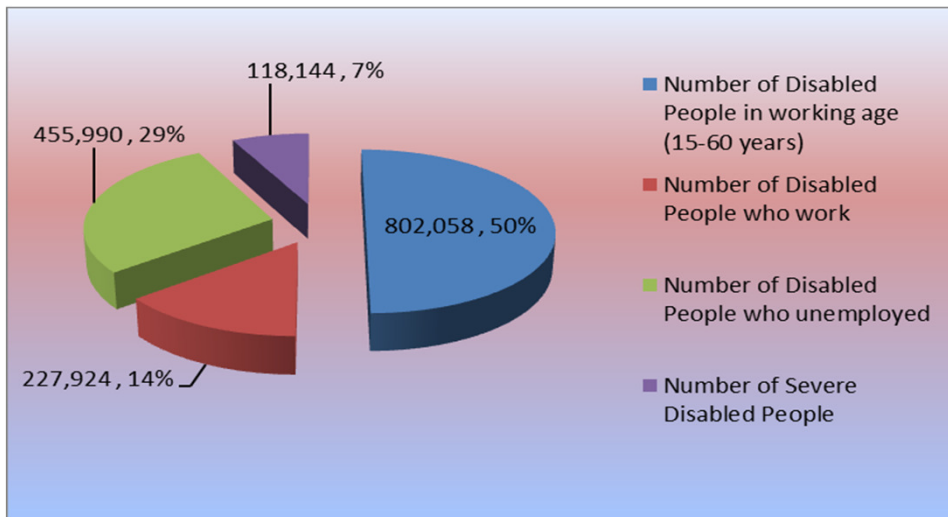
During Thailand economic turmoil in 1995 to 1998 Prof. Wiriya Namsiripongpun wrote a book "Fight on in Life - creating opportunity in adversity" which is the collection of doctrines of Miss Genevieve Caulfield who was his inspiration for his success. His aim on writing the book was to inspire its readers to fight to live with happiness including invitation to the book readers to jointly establish The Universal Foundation for Persons with Disabilities by donation in order to provide helping to persons with disabilities in all kind in the country.

The fund-raising book was successful, the Universal Foundation for Persons with Disabilities was established completely on February 2, 1999. The foundation official registered address is at his resident number 5/2 Soi Arun Ammarin 37, Arun Ammarin Rd. Bangkok Noi Bangkok.

Description of Activities and Programs:

Summary of Disabled Persons in Thailand up to September 2016

Information of Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities		
Number of registered People with disabilities nation-wide	1,802,375	2.72 % of Thai population
Number of Disabled People in working age (15-60 years)	802,058	
Number of Disabled People who work	227,924	
Number of Disabled People who unemployed	455,990	
Number of Severe Disabled People	118,144	



Source : Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities <http://www.dep.go.th>

From the statistics above shown that the main occupation of disabled people is in the agriculture

sector at 78% and they live in the rural area across the country.

Asian Disability Training Center

Asian Disability Training Center is the flagship project of the foundation and is situated in Amphur Chiang Dao, Chiang Mai Province, Northern Thailand. The Center provides three main integrated intensive career training courses to disabled persons and their families in order to enable them to be self-reliant. Each trainee needs to attend 600 hours or 100 days of the training course on which focuses into two sections. 93 hours of theory and 507 hours for the practical section. The career training curriculum of the Center have been approved by the Department of Skill Development, Ministry of Labour.

The training courses are based on the 3 principles below:

- Seriously practicing
- Seriously learning
- Deeply knowledge

The center serves disabled people who mainly live in 8 provinces in the northern Thailand, Chiang Mai, Chiang Rai, Lampang, Phrae, Nan, Payao and Maehongson.

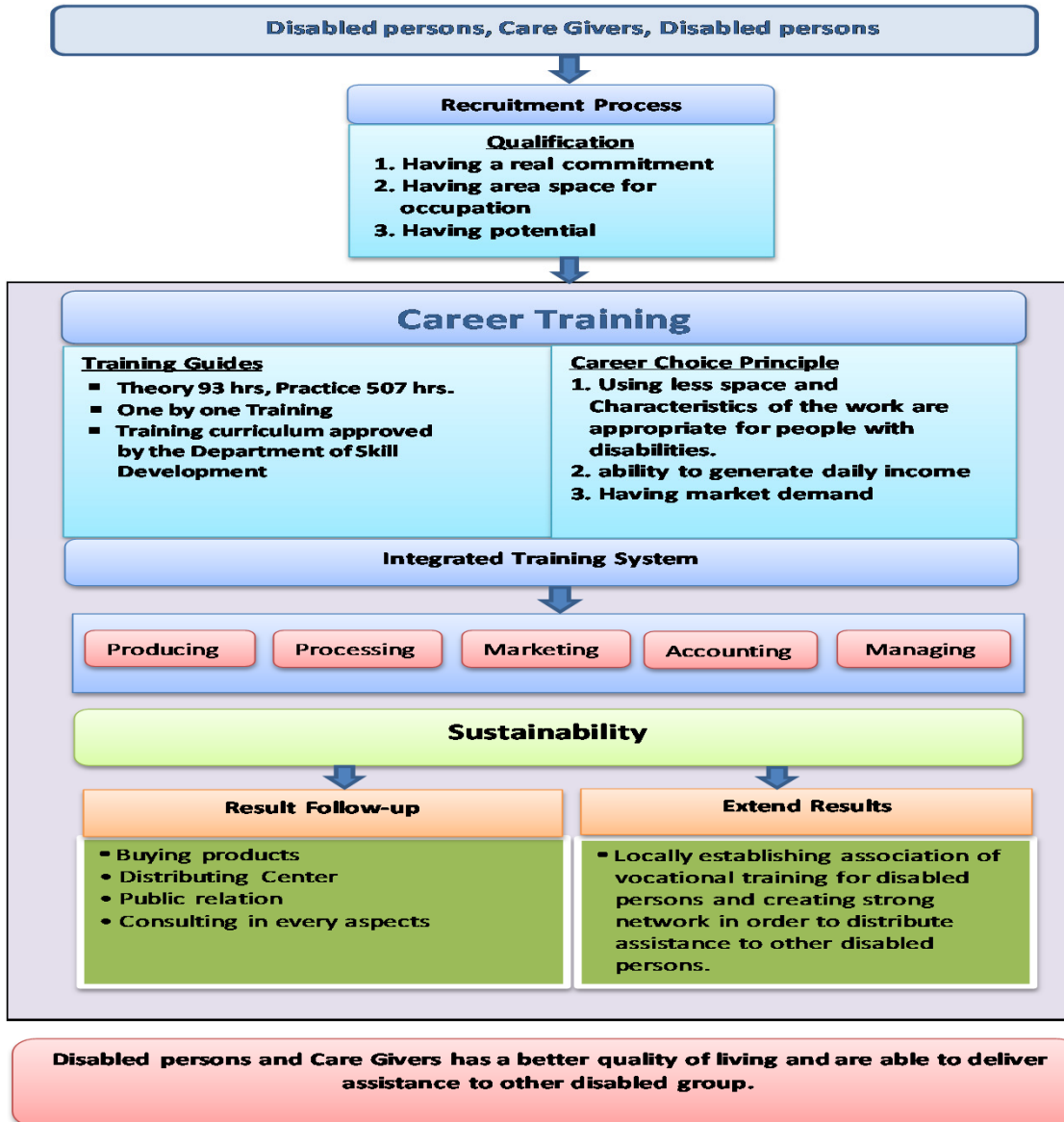
In 2016, the Center provided three career training courses following the principles that they have:

- Easy accessibility for Disabled persons
- Regular income generating by a daily, weekly or monthly basis.
- The product can be processed to other new product.
- Long term need of the market.
- Short production cycle, not over than 45 days.

Asean Disability Training Center Training Course for the year 2016

Course	Trainee Amount	Expenditure (Baht)
Mushroom Farming	260	109,500
Cricket Farming	260	109,500
Hydroponic vegetable Farming	260	109,500

The Vocational Training Process of Asean Disability Training Center



In 2016, the foundation organized 2 semesters on the training courses with each course accommodating 260 trainees. UFPD plan to expand its center in order to be able to accommodate up to 400 persons for each course.

In addition, Bangkok Bank PCL partially supported for the expenses of 100 trainees annually.

Special Education Center

The center aims to, in collaboration with Bangkok Metropolitan Schools, provide basic education

and self-adaptation to society for disabled children such as Autistic children and children with Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) etc., to enable them to study in normal school. Approximately 20 children per day attend the classes classified upon the age of children. Mostly, the children come from the surrounding communities to obtain the day-care services from the center which is situated in the building of the UFPD.

Local Service Center for Persons with Disabilities

From the Asean Disability Training Center, the disabled persons and Care Givers who obtained the career training courses will take back their knowledge and career skills to their hometown in order to teach other disabled people through the Center which is located in 42 provinces nation-wide. These local service Centers are registered as a branches of UFPD.

Thai Telecommunications Relay Services (TTRS Project)

TTRS project is a project jointly initiated by UFPD and the National Broadcasting Telecommunications Commission (NBTC) in order to provide to help to deaf people to enable them to communicate with normal people through a telephone kiosk designed specially for this project. It was developed by Avaya, a technology company specializing in communications solutions. The system is based on an intermediate or relay centre that translates sign language to voice between two parties. This project is just in the initial stage.

Employment Service Center Project.

The center aims to provide jobs for disabled persons especially deaf persons by collaborating with coffee Inner Co., Ltd in order to provide barista training on coffee bean knowledge and how to make coffee.

Yim Soo Café is a part of this project located on the first ground of the office of UFPD as a pivot project, the baristas and staffs are deaf persons.

In addition, UFPD also collaborates with Leonard Cheshire Disability U.K. for the establishment of an Independent Career Center for Disabled persons and Care Givers including financial grant to UFPD to provide training course to disabled persons.

Yim Soo Art Gallery

The Art Gallery displays oil paintings, water colours, sculptures, pottery and various forms of art work and handicraft by the disabled to express themselves through the art works. The gallery also is also a channel for disabled persons to generate their income through their art works.

In addition, in 2016 the foundation conducted 47 charitable projects across the country through its branches in various provinces such as:

1. 12th Love for the Disabled Project
2. Merit robe offering for live quality development of disabled project (Fund Raising activities)
3. Space rental and meal selling Project
4. Activities at Vocational Career Training Center
5. SME activities (Yimsoo Café) etc.

Report and Transparency.

The Universal Foundation for Persons with Disabilities doesn't have its annual report neither in hard copy nor on its website. However, on the day of visit the charity provided its latest audited financial report for the year 2016 and other documents of UFPD.

This include a tour visit report of Mr. Eric Lim who once used to visit the UFPD building.

From the Finance Performance of UFPD in the year 2016 its operation expenses was at 95% whilst its Administration expenses was at 5% of its income generated in the year respectively. The low expenses of administration was considered very efficiency comparing with the size of the organization.

Financial Section

Charity:

Universal Foundation for Persons with Disabilities Financial Performance for the year 2016

Current Assets

Cash & equivalents	50,227,561	50,227,561
Bank Deposit under branches	11,553,750	11,553,750
UFPD Branch's asset	177,249	177,249
Other current assets	<u>9,929,314</u>	<u>9,929,314</u>
Total Current Assets	<u><u>71,887,874</u></u>	<u><u>71,887,874</u></u>

<u>Income and Expenses</u>	<u>THB</u> <u>2016</u> <u>Baht</u>	<u>Notional</u> <u>Donation</u> <u>in-kind value</u>	<u>Notional</u> <u>time value</u> <u>of volunteer</u>	<u>THB</u> <u>2016</u> <u>Baht</u>
<u>Income</u>				
General Donation	4,130,472			4,130,472
Income from UFPD branches	366,245			366,245
Income from yearly activities	6,899,302			6,899,302
Income for project subsidy	12,547,327			12,547,327
Restrict Fund donation	54,790,783			54,790,783
Income from branches activiti	34,940,327			34,940,327
Donation from "KrungSri Card	45,116			45,116
Donation from "Tesco Card"	45,350			45,350
Donation from "Mobile Exhibi	138,565			138,565
Income from TTRS project	6,928,445			6,928,445
Other activities income	53,146			53,146
Interest and dividend receivec	228,211			228,211
Other income	193,365			193,365
Total Income	<u>121,306,652</u>			<u>121,306,652</u>
<u>Expenses</u>				
<u>Operation expenses</u>				
Staffs expenses	12,214,713	10%		12,214,713 10%
Annual activities operation	2,074,391	2%		2,074,391 2%
Living Development Project	9,049,976	7%		9,049,976 7%
UFPD Branches expenses	22,977,420	19%		22,977,420 19%
TTRS Project Expenses	65,901,213	54%		65,901,213 54%
Art Gallery Expenses	354,145	0%		354,145 0%
Special Education Center	25,384	0%		25,384 0%
Building renovation expenses	2,528,203	2%		2,528,203 2%
Provision help to disabled	81,660	0%		81,660 0%
Total Operation Expenses	<u>115,207,106</u>	95%		<u>115,207,106</u> 95%
<u>Administrative Expenses</u>				
Staffs expenses	3,301,621	3%		3,301,621 3%
Office supply expenses	384,718	0%		384,718 0%
Office facilities expenses	305,596	0%		305,596 0%
Auditor expenses	90,800	0%		90,800 0%
Transportation expenses	133,257	0%		133,257 0%
Postage expenses	27,769	0%		27,769 0%
Other fees expenses	237,433	0%		237,433 0%
Repair and maintenance	90,251	0%		90,251 0%
Other expenses	985,290	1%		985,290 1%
Social activities expenses	91,897	0%		91,897 0%
Asset Insurance expenses	14,349	0%		14,349 0%
Product of disabled expenses	50,015	0%		50,015 0%
Rental expenses	325,300	0%		325,300 0%
Interest expenses	8	0%		8 0%
Annual Staffs Development	93,689	0%		93,689 0%
Total	<u>6,131,993</u>	5%		<u>6,131,993</u> 5%
Total expenses	<u>121,339,099</u>	100%		<u>121,339,099</u> #####
<u>Less</u> Volunteer time value				
Net surplus (Deficit)	<u>(32,447)</u>	0%		<u>(32,447)</u> 0%
% of Administration Expenses		5%		5%