COMMUNITY PLACEMENT & CASE MANAGEMENT (CPCM) PROGRAM
A Holistic Community-Based Alternative to Immigration Detention for Children

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

SUKA Society’s CPCM Programme uses a holistic case management approach centred around child well-being and rights. One of the core programme components is finding safe, permanent and stable home environments for unaccompanied and separated children (UASC) in Malaysia through community placement.

THE CPCM PROGRAM

The program has case managed 56 unaccompanied children since 2015.

- **84%** of children from 3 countries of origin: Afghanistan, Somalia, Myanmar
- **16%**

KEY SUCCESSES

- No child absconded from community placements
- All children received material support for housing, food and basic healthcare
- 96% of children gained access to education
- All children remained engaged with the migration resolution process
- 89% of children in need of health interventions were supported
- Significantly improved overall well-being of the children while costing 90% less than immigration detention

A 2019 independent evaluation by Lighthouse Partnerships of the CPCM has shown that it can help avoid costly, harmful and unnecessary immigration detention of UASC in Malaysia.

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