



**Vision:** The safety and survival of all ethnic groups in a free and democratic Burma.

**Mission:** We provide care and education for young people and for medical clinics - to serve victims of ethnic cleansing and cultural destruction in Burma. To accomplish this, our Canadian Foundation raises awareness and funds.

November 12, 2007

Dear Friends of Project Umbrella Burma,

This letter is a straightforward Appeal for donations. Our goal this financial year (June to May) is \$100,000.00. As you all now know, Burma is in desperate trouble. A Government that kills and imprisons its spiritual leaders will continue to harm its people. The people of Burma who protested who have not already been killed or imprisoned are coming to the Border for sanctuary and medical aid. Long before the protests of August and September, ethnic cleansing of the Karen was a documented reality. People from as far away as Rangoon were travelling to the clinic for medical attention. The children of internally displaced Karen needing safety and longing for education are flooding into an already burdened situation.

The young people we look after are in good shape at the moment. Right now, for the next week and the next month, we have enough to feed, shelter and help provide education. Without your support we will not be able to do this in the months to follow. Based on last year's accounts we need on average \$480.00 a year per student. (See brochure). Our truck, a small 1993 Toyota Diesel Pick-up that never stops moving will soon need replacing for \$12-15,000. We need \$14,000 for a building for students and teachers. The Clinic depends 25% on International Rescue Committee (IRC) funds that have had stipulations that are almost impossible to meet, added to them. CIDA (Canadian International Development Agency) had cut back its support last year. The Clinic's resources will be overwhelmed by the new arrivals. As many of the educated and experienced have emigrated to the West the need to find and train new teachers and Medics is of great urgency.

Thank you for your past significant and generous support. Please have a look at our new Brochure and give from your heart, perhaps again, this year. We have so much good fortune here in Canada. As a Direct Aid Charity with a tiny overhead for stationery and our website, we promise to continue to use your contributions carefully.

Sincerely,

The Board of Project Umbrella Burma

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