

Global Dignity Cambodia



Global Dignity is an autonomous non-profit, non-criticism and non-partisan project. We wish to be inspiration-based; commending and encouraging best practice and dignity centered leadership rather than criticizing shortcomings. The mission of the Dignity Project is to implement globally the universal right of every human being to lead a dignified life. This is a paradigm shift in thinking about our global challenges, a new language and a mindset to approach issues of poverty, peace, and progress.

Global Dignity is the brainchild of three friends, concerned global citizens who met as Young Global Leaders at the World Economic Forum: HRH Crown Prince Haakon (Norway), Professor Pekka Himanen (Finland) and founder of Operation HOPE, John Hope Bryant (United States). The co-founders created Global Dignity in 2006. Since then they have worked with many Young Global Leaders and other partners in over 40 countries, hosting what are known as Dignity Days. This involves visiting local schools and communities around the world and teaching a "course in dignity" to youth.

Cambodia is one of the poorest countries in the world, which requires not only economic and structural advancement. There is a need for Cambodians to understand the purpose of respecting one's dignity - this could potentially will solve root problems in crime, and enhance the understanding of the following principles of dignity: The concept of global dignity includes the following five principles:

1. Every human being has a right to lead a dignified life.
2. A dignified life means an opportunity to fulfill one's potential, which is based on having a human level of health care, education, income and security.
3. Dignity means having the freedom to make decisions on one's life and to be met with respect for this right.
4. Dignity should be the basic guiding principle for all actions.
5. Ultimately, our own dignity is interdependent with the dignity of others.

Global Dignity Day is now a global movement, with many Young Global Leaders and other partners in over 50 countries hosting Dignity days. Monies donated will be used to set up Global Dignity Cambodia, which will organize activities to conduct and promote community service to thousands that



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