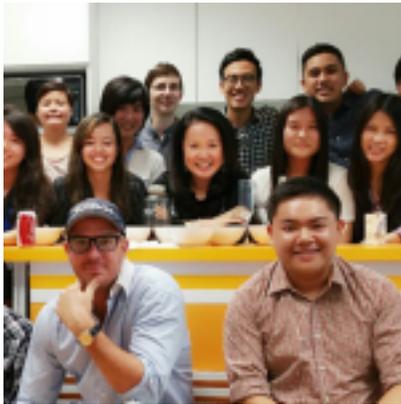




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Alpha7 employee turns RADION volunteer for a weekend!

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Last weekend (October 16-18), RADION International held their annual Project Lives event at *SCAPE, an occasion to raise awareness about sustainable volunteerism and to collect donations in kind for beneficiaries in Northern Thailand, who are often unprepared to face the winter cold that can dip to a low of 2°C at the end of the year.

About RADION

RADION International is a Christian non-profit organization that was started to serve under-privileged communities that live on the fringes of society. RADION also actively collaborates with both the private and public sectors in an effort to create a more sustainable help for these communities. They are currently raising funds for an education and livelihood training centre to equip rural womenfolk with skills, a safe shelter for domestic violence victims, and a community node for children and elderly families who fall through the cracks of the welfare system, entitled Project DREAMcenter.

<http://www.radion-international.org/#>

What did I do?

Under Alpha7's "Make A Difference" Program, which grants employees five days of paid leave each year to do volunteer work, I took some time off on Friday to help out with this non-profit that I have been involved with for the last couple of years, and is close to my heart, having been up to the village on three occasions and sponsored a child there.

There were collection and packing stations put up, with items collected ranging from winter clothing, general tops and bottoms, food, toiletries and miscellaneous items like blankets and socks. There were also exhibits covering the four main programs in RADION, namely Community Development, DEKTHAI, STREETKIDS and Village Care, as well as thought-provoking exhibits on volunteering.

Many volunteers came to help pack the items and were educated on the work that RADION is doing in Singapore and Thailand. The opening ceremony was graced by the Minister and deputer chief of missions of the Thai Embassy in Singapore, alongside with local celebrity Vernetta Lopez and Mr Alvin Tay, the editor for Business Times.. The team was joined by three special guests from Thailand, comprising two Thai staff and one child from the STREETKIDS programme, to share how they have benefited from what RADION has done.





After collecting and packing for two days, the boxes were transported to Salvation Army, where they were loaded up onto a 40 foot container to be shipped to Thailand. These supplies will be precious fodder for the villagers in Northern Thailand to brave the cold winter in December, as the village is located on a mountain. The container will depart for Thailand today, and is expected to reach the village in the next few weeks.

Indeed, the motto at RADION is aptly put – Every Life Matters. That too is a sentiment echoed at Alpha7, and we desire to give back to the community, either through our expertise to help SMEs grow their business, or through more direct means like this event mentioned.

It truly is a joy to work at a company in which I do not have to worry about spending time to do something I am passionate about – serving the community and underprivileged. In fact, I went on a trip last year to the village to visit the beneficiaries and spend Christmas and the New Year with them; you can check out what I did and learnt there in this blog post (<http://www.alpha7.co/en/blog/%E2%80%9Cmake-difference-program%E2%80%9D-%E2%80%93-thailand>).

As the founder of RADION International, Mr Eugene Wee put, “Businesses must go beyond wealth creation and to creating value for the community around us.”

At Alpha7, we believe in creating that value, for not just our clients but also the community. To know more about Alpha7, contact us at www.alpha7.co/en/contact-us

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