

MAY 2024 — DECEMBER 2024

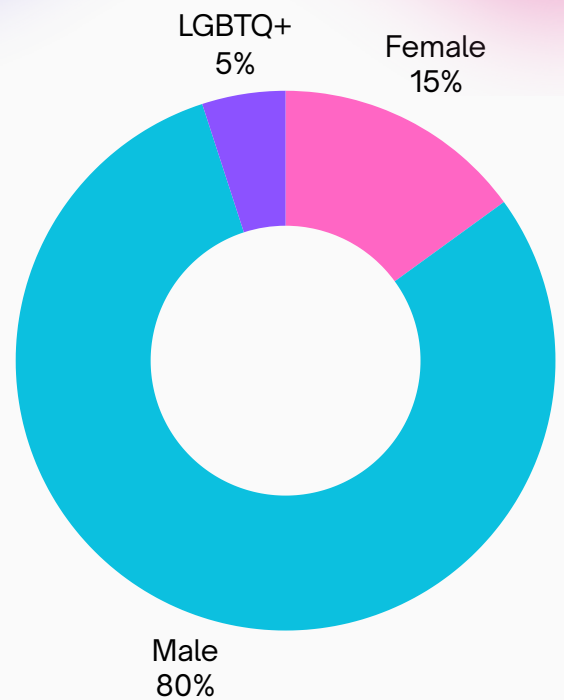


IMPACT REPORT

2024

Our Impact

Imprisonment not only punishes individuals but also inflicts profound pain on families, especially when the incarcerated person is a primary household provider. This burden is particularly severe for individuals classified as “political prisoners,” who are imprisoned for their political beliefs or actions that challenge governmental authorities.



Among 80 Political Prisoners

In Thailand, over 42 political prisoners are currently detained, requiring urgent support for their well-being and the survival of their families.

Freedom Bridge Project, founded in May 2024, is committed to supporting and advocating for political prisoners in Thailand.

Freedom Bridge Project plays a vital role in providing holistic support for political prisoners and their families, aiming to mitigate the severe challenges they face.

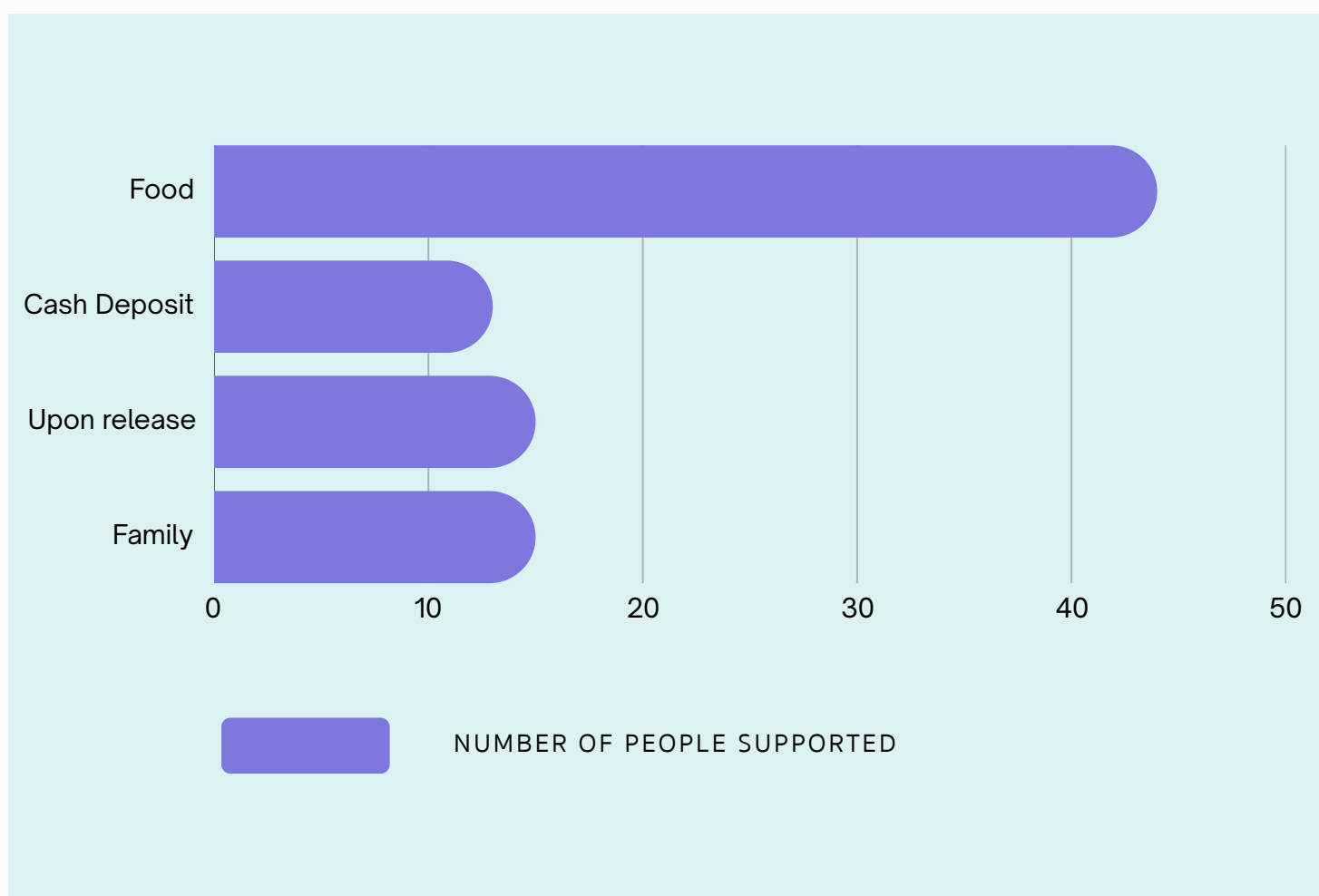
Freedom Bridge also actively campaigns for the release of all political detainees and amplifies the voices of those imprisoned.

The project’s mission extends to documenting human rights abuses, raising public awareness about the conditions and rights of political prisoners, and driving impactful changes to address systemic injustices.

One of the project’s main priorities is addressing the harsh living conditions faced by political prisoners while ensuring their families maintain a dignified quality of life.

8 Months 8 Milestones

Since its establishment 8 months ago
Freedom Bridge has supported 62 political prisoners
42 of whom remain in detention.



1. Protecting the Most Vulnerable

Since our founding eight months ago, Freedom Bridge has supported 62 political prisoners during their detention. Our efforts include addressing urgent needs, such as aiding a client who suffered a stroke while incarcerated, mother with newborn baby and providing ongoing care for clients with chronic health conditions. We focus on ensuring the safety and well-being of prisoners, particularly in health, medical care, nutrition, and sanitation.

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POLITICAL PRISONERS
WE SUPPORTED

30

RELEASED IN 2024

42

CURRENTLY DETAINED

AVERAGE

524 days

MOST POLITICAL PRISONERS HAVE SPENT OVER A YEAR
AND A HALF IN PRISON UP UNTIL NOW

54.6

YEARS

HIGHEST RECORD SENTENCE

02 Tackling the Mental Health Crisis

Political imprisonment often results in severe mental health challenges. We advocate for improved mental health care in Thai prisons, which remains inadequate or unavailable. Recently, we helped two clients secure much-needed psychiatric medication after lengthy delays, and support political prisoners who face severe isolation with family visitation support, emphasizing the importance of addressing mental health needs.

03 Better Data, Better Advocacy

By collaborating with partner organizations and improving our database systems, we have improved data collection and analysis. This enables us to track practices across various prisons and strengthen our advocacy efforts for better prison conditions.

04 Ensuring Education

We support two political prisoners who are students, ensuring they can continue their education, and help others who wish to start while incarcerated. Families of political prisoners often face severe hardships, particularly children. Freedom Bridge is committed to upholding these children's right to education, ensuring they remain in school. Additionally, we provide support to children in particularly vulnerable situations, including those with disabilities and three newborns.

05 Elder Care Matters

Two elderly political prisoners under our care endure especially harsh conditions in detention. One prisoner was the sole caregiver for an aging, visually impaired mother. Our work ensures that elders maintain dignity and do not face abandonment during these difficult circumstances.

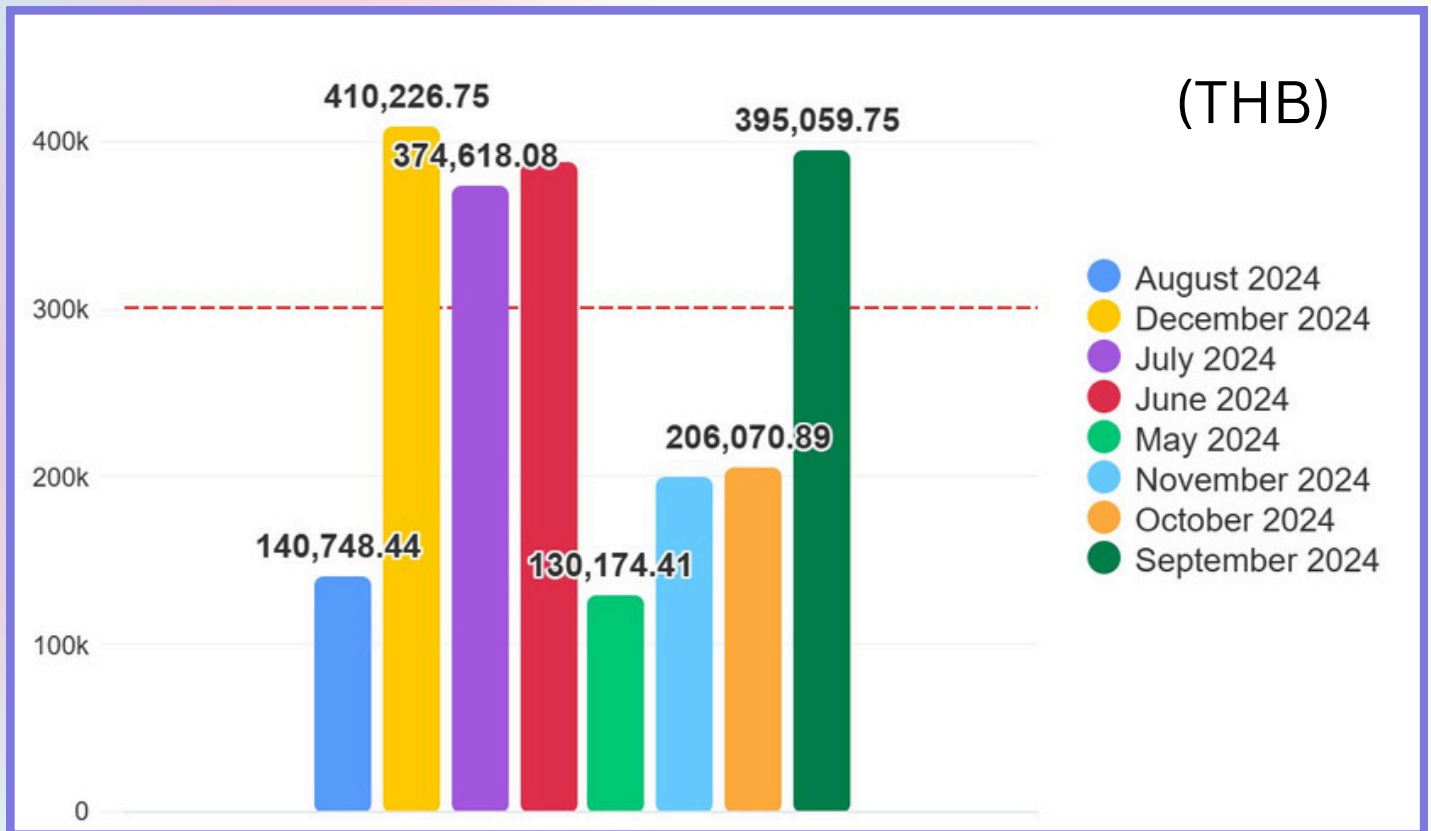
06 Supporting Reintegration and Dignity

We believe that reintegration begins with dignity. For political prisoners released with no resources, we provide 5,000 Baht per person to help them regain their footing and start a new life. This assistance enables them to meet urgent needs while preserving their dignity. We also offer counseling services and referrals to appropriate support networks, ensuring they are supported in their journey to rebuild their lives.

07 Engaging Volunteers and Local Support

Over the last 8 months, six regular volunteers have contributed significantly to our work, helping raise awareness and fostering participation in social causes.

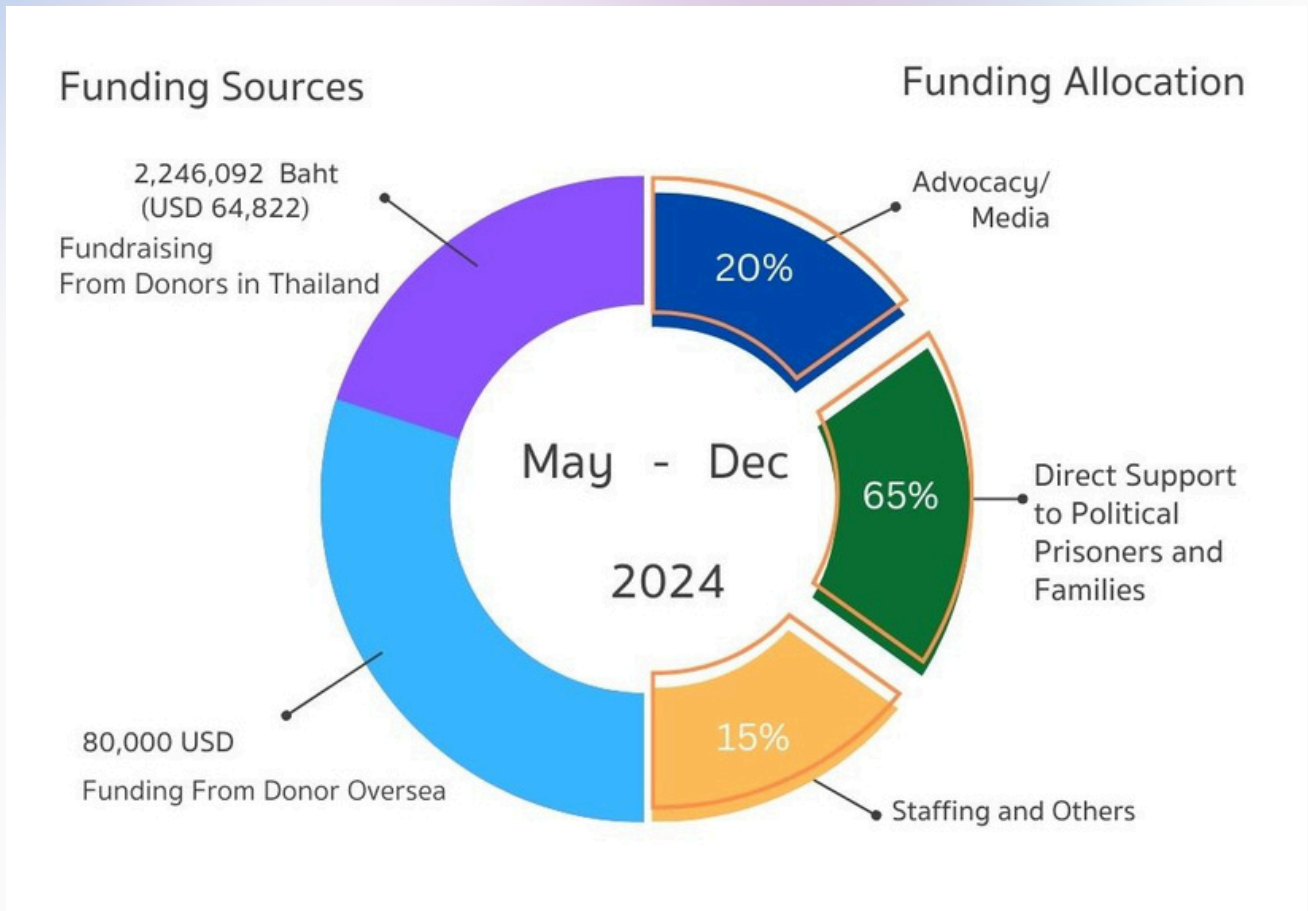
From May – December 2024, we raised 2,246,092 Baht (USD 64,822), with 50% of donations coming from individuals contributing less than 1,000 Baht (USD 28) monthly—demonstrating robust grassroots support.



08 Raising Awareness and Increasing Participation

Advocacy remains central to our mission. Over eight months, we partnered with six organizations advocating for political prisoner rights, including campaigns for an amnesty bill in Thailand and a research project on prison conditions in Thailand. In September, we co-hosted a conference with 89 attendees and reached over 111,629 individuals via social media and our website.

2024 in Budget



Map of Impact

Our work reached 21 prisons in 11 provinces across Thailand

Our efforts impact lives across Thailand, particularly as many political prisoners are held far from their families.

Women are disproportionately affected by this, as fewer female correctional institutions exist, often leading to women being incarcerated in distant regions.

This is also a tactic used to further punish political prisoners. This separation is sometimes used as a tactic to further punish political prisoners, as it strains family bonds and disrupts existing social support systems.



2025 Goals

1. Support Political Prisoners

Ensuring access to safety, nutrition, sanitation, mental health care, and other essential services.

2. Support Families

Help families maintain ties with incarcerated loved ones, supporting their mental health, and ensuring the education of children.

3. Increase Awareness

Increasing public understanding of the struggles faced by political prisoners and the fight for freedom of speech.

4. Research & Advocacy

research on prison conditions and advocate for policy changes.

5. Community Engagement

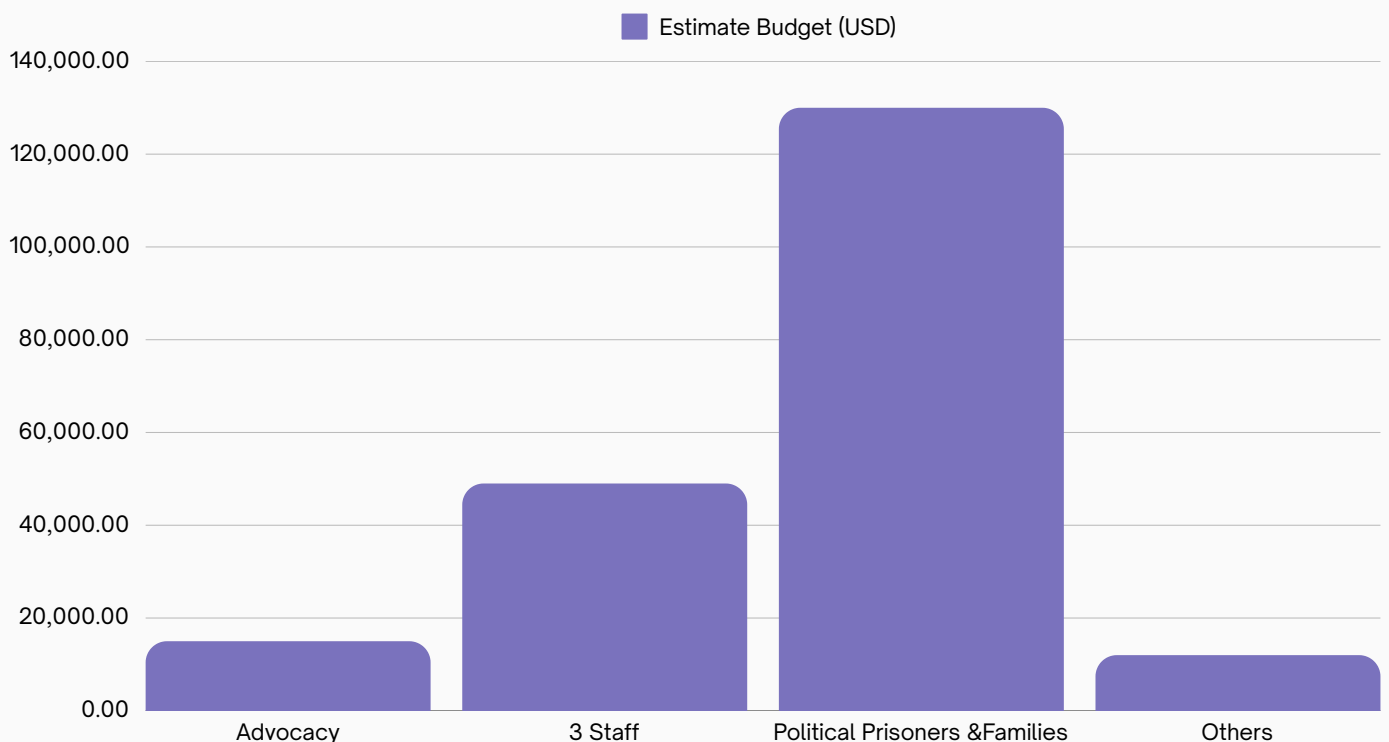
Collaborating with local organizations and movements to promote democracy, support for the Amnesty Bill.

6. Fundraising Initiatives

Mobilizing resources to sustain our programs and expand our capacity to support political prisoners and their families effectively.



Estimate Budget: 227,000 (USD)



Client Testimonials

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Thank you very much for helping my partner in prison. And for helping me and my child. It is like I have a new life after what our family went through. I cannot imagine if our lives without your support or whether if my child will have enough to eat.

Every morning in prison, guards called out the names of prisoners receiving food or letters.

Among those names were the political prisoners supported by Freedom Bridge.

Hearing their names held deep significance for them, serving as a powerful reminder that they were not forgotten and that people outside still cared.



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