**เด็กไทยยิ**ม Dekthaiyim

Swiss association of families of adopted children from Thailand

You have chosen to adopt one or more children from Thailand! We wish your enlarged family immense joy together

In the French-speaking part of Switzerland, there are several groups of parents of adopted children from Thailand which organize various activities (picnics, meetings, etc.) to allow the children to get together and their parents to share their experiences and participate in common projects.

Feel free to contact us!

http://www.dekthaiyim.ch - info@dekthaiyim.ch

Dekthaiyim was set up in 2007 by several Frenchspeaking Swiss families who had adopted children from Thailand. The name Dek Thai Yim means "The smile of Thai children".

Historically, several groups of adoptive parents of Thai children arose spontaneously in the Canton of Vaud in and after 1995, when Khun Chintana, the social worker in charge of Swiss adoptions at the Department of Social Development and Welfare (DSDW) in Bangkok, suggested to newly adoptive parents that having a "gobetween" group in Switzerland would help assist candidate families through the adoption process and following their child(ren)'s arrival.

These groups of families were founded mainly to promote get-togethers for the children and to help give them a positive image of their native country, encouraging as well the exchange of experiences among their parents.

Every 3 or 4 years, the DCY (Department of Children and Youth) organizes a "Native Land" visit to Thailand to allow interested families to return and visit the country of origin of their adopted child(ren). These trips are becoming more and more successful and preparing for them is also one of our activities. Over time, several families have also developed strong ties with a few institutions and projects focused on aid for disadvantaged children in Thailand. The association intervenes punctually for sponsorships or supports.

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#### Membership request form

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Your suggestions :



### Our activities:

#### Support during the adoption process

Although we are not an intermediary adoption agency, since we actively promote intergovernmental adoptions, we assist candidate families in putting together their adoption application file and try to provide them with up-to-date information on the adoption situation in Thailand.

This service is made possible by a few volunteer contact families. However, membership in the association is required.

For further information: adoption@dekthaiyim.ch www.dekthaiyim.ch/adoption

# Social gatherings for adopted Thai children and their parents

Every autumn, we organize a large picnic in Geneva, bringing together families from all the cantons.

A "mothers' meal" is also organized in Geneva in early spring

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