



Thank you for your ongoing support.

Here's a summary of the highlights from the first half of 2025.

PAST FUNDRAISERS UPDATE

Teacher Birthday Fundraisers



Wat San Fran's Animation Project

Wat San Fran & Akaliko Solar Power Repairs

A New Refrigerator for Akaliko

Food & Supplies for the Annual Retreat

Wat San Fran School's Sawasdee Books

Overseas Kindergarten Fundraiser

In April and May, students and supporters came together to express our appreciation for our teachers by organizing birthday fundraisers for Phra Kru Palat Anandapanyo (April 3), Venerable Ācariya Thoon Khippapañño, and Mae Chee Neecha (May 20). We used the funds to support several meaningful projects including:

- The Animation Project
- Wat San Fran and Akaliko Solar Power Repairs
- A New Refrigerator for Akaliko
- Food & Supplies for the Annual Retreat
- Wat San Fran School's Sawasdee Books
- Overseas Kindergarten Fundraiser

Anumodana with everyone who contributed and made merit together on these special occasions.

Birthday Forest Robe Offering



In February 2025, we held the monthly Birthday Forest Robe Offering Ceremony, where people born in each month can come together to make merit for their birthday.

If you have a birthday coming up and would like to join the monthly robe offering ceremony, please let us know.



Wat San Fran and Akaliko Solar Power Repairs

The solar systems at the San Fran Dhammaram Temple and Akaliko Women's Residence had both stopped functioning. The newly installed inverter at the temple is now working well. The system at Akaliko has been repaired and is also working well. Thanks to your generous support, we expect the system to continue to reduce electricity costs for many years to come.

Originally installed in 2015, the solar panels have already helped us save nearly \$20,000. Your donations fully covered the recent repair cost of \$9,000.



Ways to donate

- 1) **Checks** made payable to:
San Fran Dhammaram Temple
2645 Lincoln Way
San Francisco, CA 94122
- 2) **Venmo** to: @watsanfran
- 3) **Zelle** to: watsanfran@yahoo.com

4) PayPal Giving Fund

<https://www.paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/1902037>

We are a 501(c)(3) charity, so your donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

Good Kamma Lunchbox Fundraiser



Every month, we host the Good Kamma Lunchbox Fundraiser to raise support for the Temple and the Wat San Fran School.

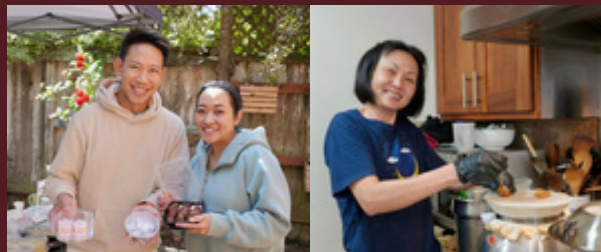


We invite you to stop by and enjoy delicious food and desserts lovingly prepared by volunteers and sponsors. Anumodana with everyone who contributed to the costs, volunteers, and patrons.

May you all receive the good kamma you deserve. Upcoming Good Kamma Lunchbox Fundraiser Dates (10:00 a.m.)

- Sunday, August 17
- Sunday, September 14
- Sunday, October 12

We hope to see you there.



UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS

New Buddha and Venerable Ācariya Thoon Khippapañño Statues

The WSF Saphanboon Foundation, together with San Fran Dhammaram Temple and the Khippapañño Dhamma Center in Trang, is commissioning the molding of new Buddha and Ācariya Thoon statues for both the Khippapañño Dhamma Center in Thailand and the KPY USA Retreat Center in Redwood Valley, California.

Specifically, two sets will be created. One set will be offered to the center in Trang, while the second set will be offered to the KPY USA Retreat Center. KPY USA is currently being restored after major damage caused by the Northern California wildfires.

The total cost for this project, including shipping, is estimated to be around 1 million THB, which is approximately \$31,000 USD. It is expected to take four months to complete.

To be a part of this auspicious project, you can donate through the following methods.

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To donate in Thailand:
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Please add a note: New Buddha and Ācariya Thoon Statues

Aug 26 Birthday Fundraiser



Mae Chee Yo is a principal founder and lead teacher at San Fran Dhammaram Temple and one of Venerable Ācariya Thoon Khippapañño's foremost students. Every year, we hold a birthday fundraiser benefiting a cause of her choosing.

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Please add a note: Aug 26 Fundraiser

Dhamma Book Fundraiser

“The gift of Dhamma surpasses all other gifts”

Join us in sponsoring the printing of:

- 📖 Spark – Igniting the Flame of Wisdom (Thai) – (5,000 copies printed)
- 📖 Buddho (English) – (800 copies printed)
- 📖 Paradigm Shift (English) – (800 copies printed)
- 📖 Q&A with Mae Yo (Thai) – (3,000 sets printed)

A total of 15,600 copies were printed. The average cost per book is 32 THB, with a budget of 500,000 THB (approximately \$15,258 USD, or \$10 for 10 books)

These books will be distributed to temples, schools, hospitals, prisons, and other institutions in Thailand and the U.S., including San Fran Dhammaram Temple.



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SAVE THE DATE

- Aug 9** Wat San Fran School Graduation Day
 - Aug 17** Aug Birthday Forest Robe Offering
 - Aug 26** Mae Chee Yo's Birthday Fundraiser
 - Sep 7** Wat San Fran School Fall Semester Begins
 - Sep 14** Sep Birthday Forest Robe Offering
 - Oct 7** End of the Vassa Day
 - Oct 12** Oct Birthday Forest Robe Offering
 - Oct 12** End of the Vassa Event
 - Oct 19** Wat San Fran's Kathina
 - Nov 11** Anniversary of Venerable Ācariya Thoon Khippapañño's Passing
 - Nov 16** Nov Birthday Forest Robe Offering
 - Dec 14** Dec Birthday Forest Robe Offering
 - Dec 21** Last Day of Wat San Fran School Fall Semester
 - Dec 31** New Year's Eve / New Year's Chanting
 - Jan 1** New Year Alms Round
- Eight Precept Observance:**
Aug 8–10, Sep 5–7, Oct 17–19, Nov 21–23, Dec 19–21, Dec 30 – Jan 1

UPCOMING EVENTS

Kathina

Please join us in sponsoring and attending Wat San Fran's 2025 Kathina fundraiser event at the Hall of Flowers (9th Ave & Lincoln Way), Golden Gate Park.

The funds raised by this year's Kathina will go towards paying the remaining mortgage of \$1,564,289.55 on Akaliko (our women's practice center), operating the temple, travel expenses for monks, the cost of health insurance, YouTube projects such as Animated Buddhist Stories, and the operating costs of the Wat San Fran School.

Sunday, October 19, 2025

- 10:00 a.m. Alms round
- 10:30 a.m. Food offering
- 12:00 p.m. Sangha-dana offering
- 12:30 p.m. Kathina ceremony
- 2:30 p.m. Performance by the Wat San Fran School students

Sponsorship levels:

\$1,000 principal sponsor | \$100 group sponsor



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Please add a note: 2025 Kathina

“In this life, you have responsibilities and work to do, so just keep doing them as your duty. As your special task, keep practicing Dhamma and accumulate virtue and merit, for these will go with you when you pass away from this world. It will be the benefit of life and your real treasure.”

Buddho

Venerable Ācariya Thoon Khippapañño

WAT SAN FRAN SCHOOL



Summer School Summary

Wat San Fran Summer School began on June 9. Over the summer, the children learned Thai music, culture, and most importantly the foundations of Buddhism. They also enjoyed helping around the temple and learning how to show respect to monks and elders. We love watching the children grow both in knowledge and experience.



Thank you for your hard work and dedication

Summer Teachers

This year, our school is fortunate to have many dedicated teachers: Kru Yaa (Aranya Yuenyong) and Kru Namkhing (Chuthamat Phiromloed), our year-round teachers; Kru Ying (Thapsuda Jiotrakul) and Kru Phet (Phachara Metheeboworn) from Chulalongkorn University, our summer teachers; Kru Mai (Molruedee Boonchu), our local teacher; and Kru Ting (Rachaya Kruekongsuk), the head teacher.

Their hard work and devotion in teaching the children are truly appreciated. We warmly welcome and thank them all for their commitment and care.



Save the Date: Upcoming Wat San Fran School Graduation Day!



GRADUATION CEREMONY
Sat Aug 9 at 1p.m.
 Hall of Flowers
 (9th Ave & Lincoln Way)
 Golden Gate Park

The graphic features the school logo, a large yellow sun, and several circular inset photos showing students receiving certificates and performing.

The Wat San Fran School will hold its graduation ceremony on Saturday, August 9, 2025, at the Hall of Flowers.

At the event, students will receive their completion certificates and showcase their talents through Thai music, dance, and dramatic performances. A special highlight of the celebration will be a stage play based on a Jataka tale, promising to be both meaningful and entertaining.

We're excited to celebrate our students' achievements and can't wait for you to see their wonderful performances!



Fall 2025 is open for enrollment

Classes are open to children aged 5 years and above.

New student needs to take a placement test

before enrollment. Please contact

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for the application form.

