



## A Year of Community, Devotion, and Steady Progress

This year showed how strongly a community can grow when people support one another with intention and goodwill. Every visit, offering, and act of service brought strength to San Fran Dhammaram Temple. We thank you for supporting the monks, the Dhamma, and each other throughout 2025. We welcome all new families and visitors. May the temple continue to be a place where your practice can grow.

## LOOKING BACK AT 2025 Community Support and Fundraisers



Our Birthday Forest Robe Offerings and Good Kamma Lunchbox events became an important source of support this year. These gatherings brought families to the temple regularly and helped strengthen our financial stability during a challenging time. The increased participation not only raised funds but also brought more people into contact with the temple and the Dhamma. We will share a complete Financial Accountability Report with the community next year.



## Kathina Ceremony

This year's Kathina carried a special sense of unity. Supporters from near and far came to help long before the ceremony itself. People arrived during the week to prepare, gathered the night before to assist with final tasks, and returned again on the morning of the event to set up. Many stayed afterward to help clean. A Kathina takes place only once a year and remains vital to the financial health of any temple. It can only succeed when the community works together, and this year's effort showed remarkable commitment.

We also welcomed two monks from Thailand and one from New York who offered their support. Pakin and Dream, students of the Wat San Fran School, devoted significant time to preparing their Pali chanting. Their effort inspired everyone present and reflected the strength of the next generation.



## Dhamma Media and Publications



This year, we continued our work to make the Dhamma accessible to people near and far. We produced new temple calendars and shared them with temples across the United States, Thailand, and India. Our book projects also continued, offering teachings from the Buddha and from Luang Por Thoon in clear and practical language. Digital versions are available for free at [luangporthoon.net](http://luangporthoon.net), and paper copies are available at the temple.



The animation team released new videos on the Watsanfran YouTube channel. These stories present the teachings in a format that families and younger audiences can easily understand. Sharing the Dhamma remains central to our mission, since the Buddha taught that the gift of Dhamma surpasses all other gifts. New Jataka videos will be released weekly starting December 5.

## Charity Work

Through the WSF Saphanboon Foundation in Thailand we supported several causes that brought relief and hope to others. These efforts reflect the kindness and generosity of our community.



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May all beings be well  
and free from suffering



On October 24 the Queen Mother of Thailand passed away. The temple held evening chanting services in Her Majesty Queen Sirikit's honor from October 26 for thirty days. Many members of the community came to offer merit and express respect.

On November 21 Phra Thep Kittivimon, the President of the Dhammayut Order in the United States, passed away. Several families also held memorial ceremonies for loved ones at the temple.

## LOOKING AHEAD TO 2026

San Fran Dhammaram Temple continues to serve as a place of refuge and learning for anyone who seeks the Buddha's teachings. This work takes steady support, and we remain grateful for everyone who helps sustain the temple in this financial climate. Careful budgeting guides our decisions, and every contribution helps keep our programs, publications, and school active.

## A New Monk Joining the Community



We welcome Phra Maha Natthakon Pratumsin, who arrived on December 3. His presence will support our programs, our teaching, and the daily life of the temple.

## Monks Returning to Thailand



We thank Phra Thanakorn Phaleewong and Phra Wantun Maneechoemwong for their service as they return to Thailand on January 1.

## Year-End and New Year Observances



Join San Fran Dhammaram Temple  
**New Year's chanting**

December 31, 2025  
11:30 p.m. - 12:15 a.m.

**New Year alms rounds**

January 1, 2026  
10:30 a.m.



## Gratitude to Our Community

We offer sincere gratitude to everyone who supported the temple throughout the year.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We welcome volunteers in media, gardening, digital work, AI support, accounting, administration, and repairs.

“The mind is pleased to be reborn again and again because it does not know that birth is suffering.”

*Line of Practice for Mental Development*  
Venerable Ācariya Thoon Khippapañño



## SAVE THE DATE

### December 2025

- Dec 14** Dec Birthday Forest Robe Offering  
Good Kamma Lunchbox
- Dec 15** Wat San Fran School Spring Semester Enrollment Begins
- Dec 21** Last Day of Wat San Fran School Fall Semester
- Dec 19–21** Eight Precept Observance
- Dec 30–Jan 1** Eight Precept Observance
- Dec 31** New Year's Eve / New Year's Chanting

### JANUARY 2026

- Jan 1** New Year's Alms Rounds
- Jan 4** Jan Birthday Forest Robe Offering  
Good Kamma Lunchbox
- Jan 5** Wat San Fran School Spring Semester Enrollment Ends
- Jan 10** Wat San Fran School Spring Semester Begins
- Jan 16–18** Eight Precept Observance

### FEBRUARY 2026

- Feb 1** Feb Birthday Forest Robe Offering  
Good Kamma Lunchbox
- Feb 13–15** Eight Precept Observance

### MARCH 2026

- Mar 1** Mar Birthday Forest Robe Offering  
Good Kamma Lunchbox
- Mar 3** Magha Puja Day
- Mar 6–8** Eight Precepts Observance
- Mar 8** Magha Puja Ceremony
- Mar 13–15** Eight Precepts Observance

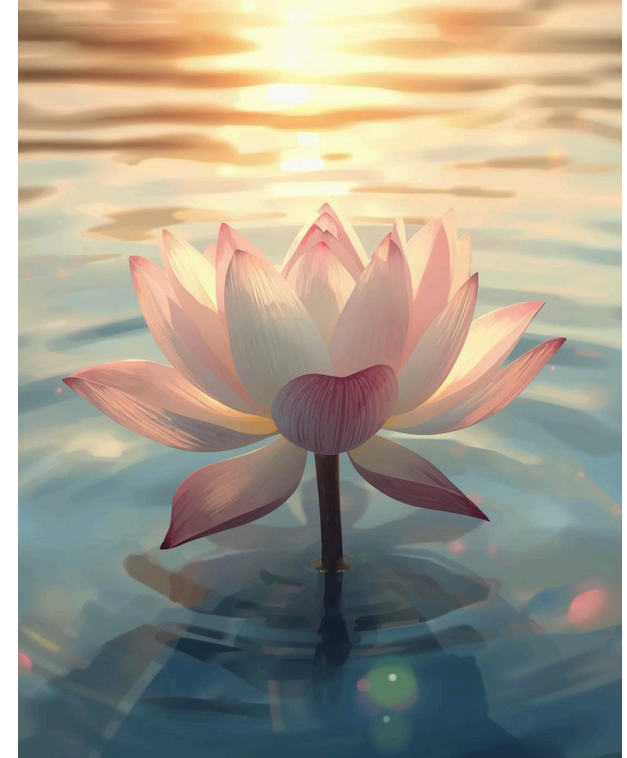


Wat San Fran School continues to grow with support of teachers, parents, and the community.



## End of Year Invitation to Support the Temple

As we close the year, we invite everyone to support the temple in any way they can.



### Ways to donate

- 1) **Venmo** to: [@watsanfran](https://www.venmo.com/watsanfran)
- 2) **Zelle** to: [watsanfran@yahoo.com](mailto:watsanfran@yahoo.com)
- 3) **Checks** made payable to:  
San Fran Dhammaram Temple  
2645 Lincoln Way  
San Francisco, CA 94122

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Thank you for walking with us through another year. May you and your family receive blessings and peace.