

## Current members

- Older Peoples Association (OPA) and Older Peoples Federation (OPAF)
- Non-Government Organisations (NGO) and Community Based organisations (CBO)

### 1. OPA and OPAF:

OPA is a membership based network made up of inter-generational community members. OPA is an organisation that is led and managed by volunteer elders of the village but inclusive of all community members. Each OPA has 50-100 members. The OPA model is recognized by the Royal Government of Cambodia.

OPAF is a wider network of OPAs formed at a district level. Each OPAF is made up of 6 village OPA's. OPAF's are now officially registered with the Ministry of Interior.

### 2. NGO Members:

The current NGO members of the CAN program either work directly or indirectly with older people and share a common goal of improving the aging system of Cambodia.



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Institutions



16,296

Indirect Members

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## Benefits of membership



Education related to ageing



Build and strengthen network



Be apart of voicing Age Demand

**Who?** Applications are open to NGO's, CBO's and private organisations.

**How?** Submit a registration form to a CAN contact listed below.

**Your Involvement?** Attend activities and events of CAN.

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# Cambodian Ageing Network



## Cambodia Ageing Network (CAN)

is a platform and network designed to amplify and positivity promote the voices of older people living in Cambodia.

Together, with a number of valued partners; Older People's Association, Older People's Federation and NGO Members, the CAN program aims to open the dialogue and work together to promote the quality of life for older people. The CAN program also aims to work with the Royal Government of Cambodia to develop human-rights based national policies for older people.

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# Introduction

HelpAge Cambodia, along with the financial support from the Voice Program, has established **the Cambodian Ageing Network (CAN)**. The program aims to amplify the voice of older people, particularly marginalised groups such as older women and older people living with a disability. The voices of CAN will reach the general public and key policy and decision makers of Cambodia.

In Cambodia in 2015, the population aged 60 years and above was estimated to be 1.3 million people, representing 8.3% of the total population. It is forecasted that by 2050, the number of older people will reach over 5 million, forecasted to be 21% of the total Cambodian population. We aim to work together to voice the needs of the aged and aging population.

Over 80% of older people today live in rural areas, 1 out of 4 older people live below the poverty line (\$1.25 per day) and most face struggles of not being able to read or write. In Cambodia, there is currently no pension or other form of social benefit system for the general working population. So unless an older person receives the support of their family, there is no financial security when an older person can no longer work.

Recently, the government has endorsed three policies that support older people:

1. The National Ageing Policy 2017-2030,
2. The National Health Care Policy and Strategy for Older People 2016, and
3. The National Social Protection Policy Framework.

The CAN program aims to work together with the policy makers and older community to achieve successful outcomes for all involved.

# About CAN



## Vision

For all Ageing Cambodian People to have good well-being and live with dignity, quality of life and human based rights.

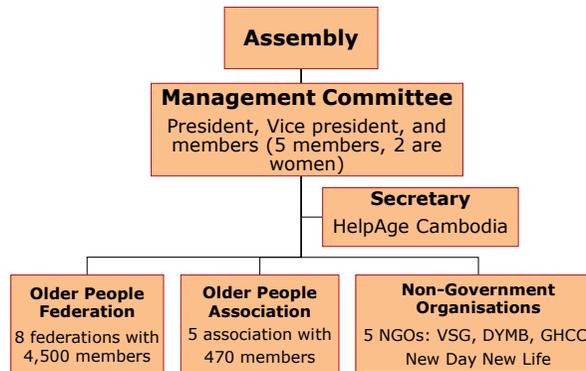


## Mission

To strengthen the capacity of older people and other stakeholders so that they play a vital role in policy dialogue to improve the lives of older people in Cambodia.



## Structure



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Helping Older People is helping yourself  
today and in the future

# Objectives and Promise of CAN

**Objective 1:** To represent and advocate for older people at both a national and a sub-national level.

- By strengthening the capacity of network members to advocate for older people;
- Attend meetings with ministries, departments and institutions to address issues of aging and seek for support;
- Collaborate and support the network members and stakeholders by organising campaigns to advocate for older people at all levels.

**Objective 2:** To join ventures with the Government in the discussion, formulation and implementation of policies that effectively support older people.

- Attend relevant meetings with Ministries to assist with formulating and implementing policies that support older people;
- Participate in evaluating, monitoring and analyzing information on policy development and implementation.

**Objective 3:** To promote the learning's and effective works of the CAN Program.

- Communicate and explore opportunities which will increase the well-being of older people;
- Make a commitment to always improve the quality of CAN's operations, in the best interest of older people;
- Continue to expand the membership of CAN.