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Annotated Bibliography

ABC News: “Will More Foreign Aid End Global Poverty?”- May 12, 2008

<http://abcnews.go.com/2020/Story?id=1955664&page=1>

This ABC News article explores the theme of poverty and foreign relief aid with an antithetical twist. In an in depth analysis, the article asks “Will foreign aid end global poverty?” and raises scholarly, yet still interesting and compelling, arguments for both sides. Using this debate as a guide, we were able to stimulate our own thinking and formulate our own hypothesis on whether or not we believe foreign aid will end poverty. When researching poverty, it is often difficult to find opposition to the widely-cited notion of foreign aid but this article proves that there are scholars, backed by research, who would beg to differ.

A Dollar A day - 2006

<http://library.thinkquest.org/05aug/00282/home.htm>

The website provides a multi-perspective information forum on poverty alleviation and offers various solutions to reduce poverty. For example, it states that improving education and healthcare and increasing access to micro-credit are the primary means to mitigate poverty. Other solutions such as NGOs, celebrity activism, and technology are also discussed. Additionally, the website features multimedia and interactive demonstrations to raise awareness of the plight of the poor and enhance one's knowledge of poverty relief. We found this website helpful as an introduction to poverty solutions around the world.

Asian Development Bank

<<http://www.adb.org/>>

We found the Asian Development Bank website very helpful in providing fact-based information for our research. This site provides many sources of information regarding the financial and economic state of Cambodia. This information comes in the form of social project information, an array of publications discussing important factors affecting Cambodia, and news stories that provide information on economic and financial current events in Cambodia. With this information we were able to evaluate poverty in Cambodia from a more analytical perspective.

Cambodia: Halving Poverty by 2015? Poverty Assessment 2006

<<http://go.worldbank.org/KAHC25EAM0>>

This website compares and contrasts Cambodia's progress in poverty mitigation to that of other countries. It consists of key facts and statistics pertaining to poverty in Cambodia. Additionally, it contains valuable information regarding the government's five-year development plan and other policy priorities related to poverty relief. Furthermore, the report suggests alternative options to reduce poverty for the next decade; actions include securing property rights, enhancing infrastructure, raising agricultural productivity and income, and increasing access to education and healthcare. The article takes an objective approach to measure and monitor economic development of Cambodia with the ultimate goal of accelerating poverty reduction.

Endpoverty2015

<<http://www.endpoverty2015.org/>>

Endpoverty2015 is a United Nations Millennium Development Goals website that lists and describes each of the eight goals to be accomplished by 2015. The site also includes the latest news (divided by region) related to these eight goals and how individuals can take action to help achieve these objectives. The campaign attempts to capture a much more broad audience through the use of celebrity spokespersons and multimedia channels such as YouTube and TV advertisements. Additionally, the site links to a wealth of resources and speeches related to achieving the eight millennium development goals.

Hagar International

<http://www.hagarinternational.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=15&Itemid=29>

The Hagar International homepage was the main source of information on our chosen organization. The website describes the mission, organizational model, social programs, and social enterprises that make up the Hagar organization. We found the integration of social programs and corporate enterprises to be extremely interesting. Hagar International manages social programs such as literacy classes and a foster house program designed to help poor women and children. At the same time, the organization also runs several commercial enterprises that are staffed by graduates from their social programs.

International Finance Corporation

<<http://www.ifc.org/ifcext/gbo.nsf/Content/Hagar>>

The International Finance Corporation (IFC) strives to reduce global poverty by promoting sustainable private sector investment in developing countries. The IFC achieves its goal by providing loans, equity structured finance and risk management, and advisory services to the private sector around the world. This website was useful in two main aspects. First, there was a wealth of information on how financial tools and advisory services can make a difference in the fight against global poverty. Second, the website had descriptions of different projects that were founded with the help of the IFC. The organization we chose to learn about, Hagar Soya, is one example of an IFC initiative.

International Monetary Fund

<<http://www.imf.org/external/index.htm>>

The IMF is an international organization that promotes international monetary cooperation, fosters economic growth, and provides temporary financial assistance to developing countries. The Poverty Reduction Strategy papers, published by the IMF every three years, tracks progress in each country. The paper aims to reduce poverty, support growth, and garner external financing. Specifically, the report -National Poverty Reduction Strategy on Cambodia- provides a comprehensive understanding of Cambodia's economic and social climate with the mission to alleviate poverty in Cambodia. The report describes dimensions of poverty that Cambodia

current faces, prioritizes actions that reduces poverty, and includes various metrics that measures the progress of poverty migration.

Net Aid - 2007

<<http://netaid.org>>

NetAid was a powerful tool that our group used to help discover the fundamental definition of poverty. This site is geared towards young adults and presents global poverty problems. The design of the site helps empower young readers to feel like they can truly make a change and become heroes. This site helps one to realize that poverty is not just an economic situation, but rather has other social implications such as disease and poor education.

One.org

<<http://action.one.org/>>

“ONE” is a U.S.-based organization with an expressed purpose to "make poverty history." The organization is attempting to mobilize the youth of America by using unconventional methods such as MySpace and Facebook pages. The site is extremely informative with detailed reports on the major elements that influence poverty such as disease, governmental debt, and lack of food and housing to name a few. “ONE” also keeps the public updated with sections of its website devoted to recent news about the issues outlined and a steadily updated blog. This website is very useful to understand the ways that the general public, especially our generation, thinks about the issue of poverty and what steps they're taking to end it.