



Improving the standards for health care in Vietnam



Since the beginning of 2020 the world has been suffering the Covid-19 pandemic. Up to late June 2020, the Corona virus outbreak has infected more than nine million people and caused almost 500,000 deaths.

In Viet Nam, the latest data on June 25th 2020 show that there are 352 people infected with Covid-19 and 329 patients have recovered without any deaths. During the first phase of the outbreak, due to practicing social distancing, VNHIP had temporarily stopped the implementation of the current project activities and focused on the preparation for the new projects. We have now resumed working on our current projects starting in May and are fortunate to have many new projects that will start in the third quarter of 2020.

These new projects include: (1) "Increase Access of HIV Information and Care for Hard to Reach and High Risk Groups in Central High Land of Vietnam" sponsored by Gilead and implemented in Phuoc Son - a mountainous district of Quang Nam province; (2) "Inclusive Education for children with disability - Stage II" supported by RCI and implemented in Dien Ban district; and (3) "Community-based rehabilitation for people with disabilities caused by leprosy in Da Nang City" sponsored by SHF and implemented in the Lien Chieu district of Da Nang city.

We are always grateful for the companionship and support of all of you,

Hope you all stay healthy and safe,

Khanh Le. Country Director, VNHIP.

Inclusive education for children with disabilities (CWDs)

Hand washing promotion in the Covid 19 pandemic

In the complicated and dangerous times of the Covid 19 disease, washing hands with soap is recommended and extremely important.

Elementary students are very active and easily forget to do this. In addition, schools often lack soap. Creative methods are needed to encourage handwashing,

VNHIP provided handwashing gel to students with disabilities to help them protect themselves from Covid 19 epidemic after returning to school. In addition, we gave all the schools many hand washing instruction boards. These boards are hung near the hand wash sink and along the class corridor. VNHIP hopes that this will contribute to improving the health of students and teachers as well as raise their awareness of protecting themselves against coronavirus infection.



"We ring the bells" annual event

"We ring the bell" campaign is a meaningful annual activity to remind the school leaders, teachers, children, and communities about the rights of children with disabilities and their accessibility to good quality education. This year, VNHIP cooperated with 9 primary schools in Nam Giang to organize this event on the International Children's Day. With meaningful messages, we hope to bring the message to everyone about the rights of children with disabilities.



In addition, we also donated basic supplies to support families of children with disabilities who are in hardship due to the effects of the COVID 19 outbreak.

This event has brought joy to the children, especially children with disabilities. Thereby, we hope this will provide strong support for all children to overcome hardships and continue going to school.



Training for teachers on evaluate student's learning abilities

Teaching CWDs can be a huge challenge for teachers in primary school and many teachers have told us that this is difficult due to the complexity and variability of the different

disabilities. Because of this, VNHIP organized a training course about how teacher can evaluate student's abilities and make an Individual education plan for each case.



We cooperated with the Inclusive Education Support Center in Da Nang in order to organize this course for teachers of primary schools in Nam Giang. They were very enthusiastic and proactive to learn and practice during this course. After completion, they have gained knowledge and skills to work with CWDs and have adjusted their teaching methods for CWDs.



Tutoring at home for students with disabilities



Nguyet is a student of 4B class at Nguyen Phan Vinh Primary School. She is the oldest daughter in a family with 3 children. Her dad is a truck driver and her mother is a worker. Her parents are poor and busy earning money for their living.

She was diagnosed with a learning disability and has faced many difficulties in school. However, she really wants to go to school and participate in common activities with her friends. Nguyet's teacher said that she likes to study, enjoys school and wants to be included in all the activities with the other children.

After staying home from school during the COVID 19 outbreak, she forgot many lessons and had more challenges for learning. Because of this, VNHIP invited a specialized teacher to teach her at home. Her teacher in school and her family are very happy to help.

Nguyet is one of 5 students who are supported by a home tutor to help incorporate them at the mainstream school. We are confident they will be able to learn at the same level as their classmates.

HIV care saves lives

Emergency relief after the Covid 19 epidemic

The Covid 19 pandemic has had a major effect on the lives of HIV infected/affected children and their families. Many families have no income because they lost their jobs or their family businesses stopped and many couldn't afford to pay for food.



Our emergency support has reached 40 families to help them overcome the difficulties of the

current times.

Thank you so much to Betula Asian Aid Foundation for its timely support for these disadvantaged people.



A joyful International Children's Day for HIV infected/affected children in Danang city

This event aims to create a playground for children in order to stimulate their creativity and encourage them to incorporate outdoor activities. Through this event, 50 HIV infected/affected children and their caregivers residing in the VNHIP project areas in Danang had a great time on the occasion of International



Children's day with events such as solving puzzles, playing creative games, receiving gifts. They were excited and really enjoyed this event.

Our gratitude to Help For Hope Foundation for the generous support to make this possible.

A energetic boy overcomes difficulties



Tam is a 12-year-old boy. He is currently studying at grade 6 at the local junior high school. Tam and his younger sister-Vy who is infected with HIV are living with their maternal grandmother in a remote mountainous village in the Central Vietnam. Vy was infected with HIV during birth while Tam was not. His parents died of HIV when Tam was two years old. Tam's family has to face many difficulties. His grandmother is old but still working hard by farming to earn money to take care of Tam and his younger sister. Even so, it is still not possible to make enough for daily living expenses. Tam has udone the best he can to help his grandmother.

He always tries to study well to achieve high rankings in school. He helps his grandmother do house chores and takes good care of himself and his younger sister. This school year, Tam is listed one of the top five students in the class and made his grandma so proud of him. VNHIP is supporting Tam with nutrition fees, scholarship, a new bicycle and other expenses. Our priority is to ensure he will not have to leave school due to financial difficulties. Tam enjoys mathematics, excels at it and wants to become an electrical engineer in future. This will help break the cycle of poverty. Tam is a highly motivated young boy, driven to build a future for his family and himself. We are proud of the progresses he has made and the determination he has displayed in changing his life. Tam is among hundreds of disadvantaged children and young people who found themselves in difficult circumstances that we are helping but never gave up on transforming their lives.

New project officers at VNHIP



My name is My Nhi. I graduated from Hue University Medicine and Pharmacy with bachelor degree in Public Health. After that, I have worked for Kianh Foundation which has brought about new chapters in life and hope for many CWDs in Dien Ban district for 2 years. With my experience from my last job and my passion for supporting CWDs, I would like to work with VNHIP in order to make more contribution to the vulnerable in our society. I am very happy to become a member of VNHIP's family. I believe that I will complete my tasks responsibly and work efficiently. Thank you for giving me a chance to work with all of you.



My name is Thuy Dung. I am very glad to become a new member of VNHIP organization and have a chance to contribute more to our society. My academic background is social sciences, specialized in development studies. Previously, I also worked for several NGOs and local communities in mountainous areas. I have a passion to support the vulnerable people and create positive impacts on children. Through VNHIP's projects, I do hope that we can bring more and more happiness to them together.

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