

## PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

**ESTABLISHED** 

1994

#### **LOCATION**

Ho Chi Minh City (including Can Gio District), Ca Mau Province (Ca Mau Orphanage and U Minh District), Ben Tre Province, Dong Nai Province, and Long An Province (Chau Thanh and Thanh Hoa Districts)

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Child Sponsorship Programme provides crucial financial sponsorships and social support to children living in abject poverty, ensuring all children have access to education and opportunities to improve their living conditions and lead self-sufficient and independent lives. The Programme connects vulnerable children and their families to people from around the world who want to be part of a rewarding journey to create lasting change in the lives of those most in need, by providing them with the means to access basic necessities

## LOCAL PARTNERS

Department of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs of Dong Nai, Ben Tre and Ca Mau Provinces, Bureau of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs of Can Gio District (Ho Chi Minh City), the People's Committee of Chau Thanh District (Long An Province) and the People's Committee of Thanh Hoa District (Long An Province) and Lam Dong Province

#### **BENEFICIARIES**

Children severely disadvantaged from backgrounds who are not enrolled in education or at high risk of dropping out due to financial hardship. Children who are orphans or street children; children from large families with parents with physical disabilities; children from low-income households; children whose families are living in extreme poverty. Children currently enrolled in the Child Sponsorship Programme who are over age 16 are considered for further support after high school if they are still experiencing extreme financial difficulty and want to pursue college or university level education or vocational training

#### CNCF ACCOUNTABILITY

CNCF is entirely responsible for funding, programme management, monitoring and evaluation

## MONITORING AND EVALUATION

CNCF Social Workers conduct regular home visits to assess and monitor the needs of the family and provide counselling support. One-on-one meetings with the children and families are also conducted throughout the year to provide comprehensive annual reports to their sponsors. Based on observations and feedback during home visits, timely support is provided to the children and families. Weekly internal meetings are conducted for CNCF Project staff and the Board of Management to discuss programme related issues. Project visit reports, monthly reports, and semi-annual reports are provided to CNCF Board of Management and an annual report is made available to all stakeholders

In 2023, CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme (CSP) remained steadfast in providing crucial financial and social support to children and their families living in extreme poverty. The monthly sponsorship covers the costs of education including tuition fees, school supplies, uniforms and transportation to and from school that families cannot afford. In addition to the monthly financial sponsorship, children and young adults are actively engaged in personal development activities aimed at fostering essential social and life skills. They are also provided with additional assistance to overcome challenges, ultimately empowering them to lead self-sufficient lives.

Since inception,

## 25,806 CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS

have been supported with monthly financial sponsorship through the Child Sponsorship Programme in Vietnam to remain in school and further their education.

In 2023,



in Ho Chi Minh City and four surrounding provinces were supported through CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme

→308 CHILDREN from Ho Chi Minh City 71 CHILDREN from Ca Mau Province • 154 CHILDREN from Long An Province 74 CHILDREN from Dong Nai Province 155 CHILDREN from Ben Tre Province CHILDREN
from Lam Dong Province



## Age Group



Under 6 years old

312

Children



57

Children

11 - 14 years old



18 - 22 years old

15 - 17 years old

People

29 Young People

Over 22 years old

#### **Education**

#### **Education Level**









Primary School Secondary School

High School







**Education Outcomes** 



165 CHILDREN graduated, among them

O3 CHILDREN graduated from Primary School
79 CHILDREN graduated from Secondary School

• 43 CHILDREN graduated from High School

40 CHILDREN graduated from University and Vocational Training



### **Home Visits & Project Visits**



children, their families and new programme applicants for home assessment



PROJECT VISITS

to partnership provinces were conducted

#### Life Skills Training



attended **04 trainings** and workshops

#### **Staff Training**



were conducted with the participation of 12 CSP staff

### **Additional Support**



+ CHILDREN received careers guidance on educational pathways, career aspirations from CSP Staff



B6 FAMILIES received financial

counselling and advice from CSP staff



**CHILDREN** 

received extra financial support for medical costs, tuition fees and emergency needs from their sponsors



received Emergency Relief Support



were delivered to children and families in need in the provinces



CHILDREN Christmas

sponsors

CHILDREN IN NEED received Christmas gifts

birthday presents from their



**STUDENTS IN NEED** 

received Lunar New Year gifts



received support from CNCF's Bicycle Support Programme



families were facilitated



15,428 USD

extra financial support was provided to sponsored children



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## **OUR STORIES**

## From Uncertainty, To a Bright Future Ahead: Trinh's\* Journey

Trinh\*, the youngest of four siblings, spent her childhood in a remote province of Vietnam, where her family, reliant on farming government-leased land, lived in a small, dilapidated home devoid of basic amenities like electricity and safe water. Malnutrition and frequent severe illnesses plagued Trinh's early years, leading to numerous emergency hospital visits that exacerbated the family's already dire financial situation.

In 2009, CNCF's intervention and ongoing support transformed Trinh's life. Enabled to complete secondary and tertiary education, she overcame health challenges to excel academically, earning the title of Excellent Student consistently. Last year, Trinh graduated in Pharmacy from Pham Ngoc Thach Medical College and now works as a pharmacist in Ho Chi Minh City.

Trinh's journey underscores CNCF's impact in breaking the cycle of poverty. By providing integrated and sustainable services tailored to individual needs, CNCF empowers young people like Trinh to shape their own futures. Her story serves as a testament to the transformative potential of education and support in enabling individuals to overcome adversity and achieve their aspirations.

\*Name changed to protect privacy

## Celebrating Linh's\* Inspiring Journey

At just 10 years old, Linh faced a devastating loss when her father passed away. Living in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, with her mother and younger sister, they encountered formidable obstacles, compounded by the city's high living costs. Linh's mother, working as a seamstress with an unstable income, struggled to make ends meet. Despite these challenges, Linh remained steadfast in her dedication to her studies, driven by her desire to alleviate her family's burdens.

CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme became a lifeline for Linh, providing both economic relief and invaluable emotional support. For 13 years, she thrived under the CNCF's programme's guidance, and was recognised for her compassion and academic excellence. Recently, Linh achieved a significant milestone by graduating in preventive medicine - an achievement that speaks volumes of her perseverance and determination.

Her hard work has paid off, as she recently secured a job at a respected medical centre, showcasing both her resilience and the substantial impact of her sponsor through CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme on her journey. Linh's story is a testament to the power of dedication, resilience, and the transformative impact of CNCF's childcare development and support systems.

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# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The total cost of the Child Sponsorship Programme in Vietnam in 2023 was:

Sponsorship Distribution Amount: \$237,981 USD

Special Assistance: \$4,926 USD

Child Enrichment: \$2,442 USD

Project Running Costs: \$105,932 USD

Heartfelt thanks to each of our kind child sponsors from across the globe who directly support a child on the programme and enable CNCF to keep this impact possible. Also to those who generously support with gift and time in-kind which enables us to keep our costs down.

We also take this opportunity to express our deep appreciation to our local government partners in Vietnam: Department of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs of Dong Nai, Ben Tre and Ca Mau Provinces, Bureau of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs of Can Gio District (Ho Chi Minh City), the People's Committee of Chau Thanh District (Long An Province) and the People's Committee of Thanh Hoa District (Long An Province) and Lam Dong Province.

Our audits can be found here.



# CHILD SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME IN VIETNAM EXPENDITURES IN 2023

Expenditure	Amount (USD)
Sponsorship Distribution Amount	237,981
Child Enrichment	4,926
Child Special Assistance	2,442
Project Running Costs	105,932
TOTAL COST	351,281



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