



ANNUAL REPORT 2022

CHILD SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME VIETNAM

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)

BENEFICIARIES

Children from severely disadvantaged 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.

OUR YEAR

In 2022, 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.



25,698 CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS

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

In 2022,



755 CHILDREN

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



361 CHILDREN
from Ho Chi Minh City

149 CHILDREN
from Ben Tre Province

117 CHILDREN
from Long An Province

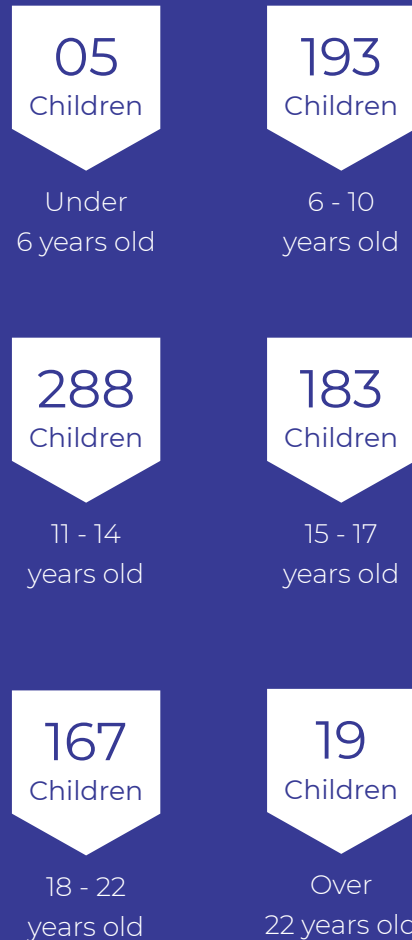
76 CHILDREN
from Dong Nai Province

52 CHILDREN
from Ca Mau Province



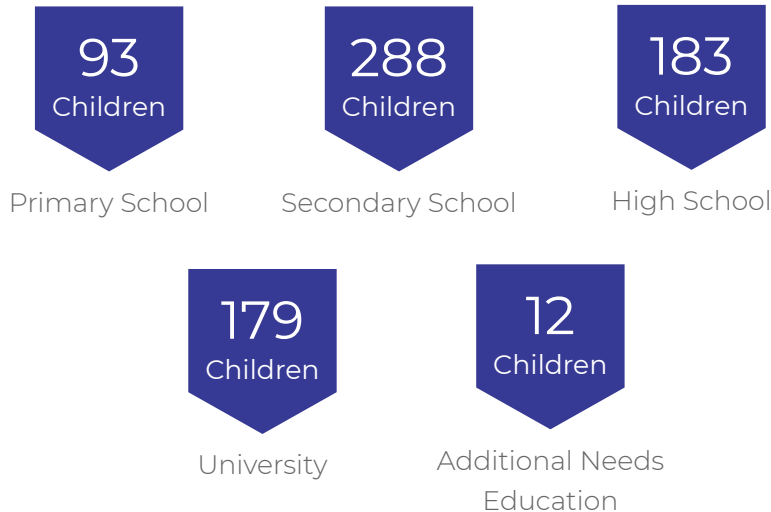
OUR YEAR

Age Group

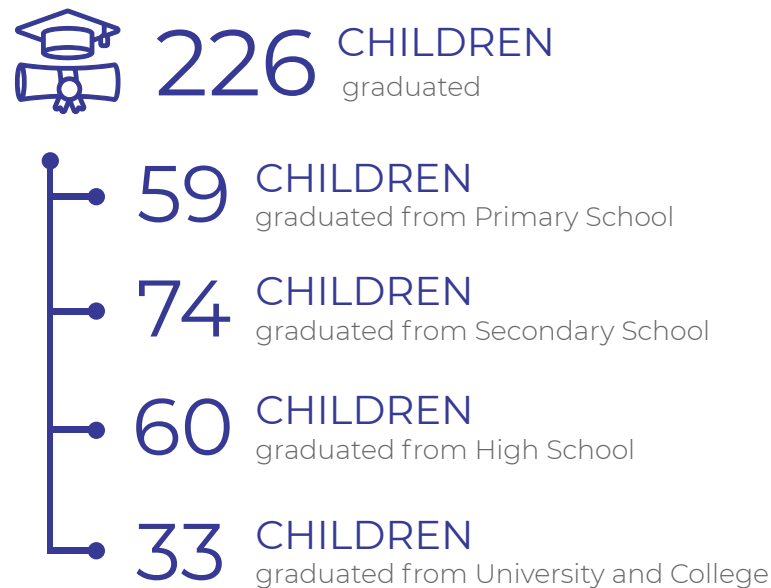


Education

Education Level



Education Outcomes



OUR YEAR

Home Visits & Project Visits



235 HOME VISITS
were conducted to
CSP children, their families and
new programme applicants for
home assessment



09 PROJECT
VISITS
to partnership provinces were
conducted

Life Skills Training



106 CHILDREN
participated in
03 trainings and workshops

Staff Training



04 STAFF
TRAININGS
were conducted. **10 CSP staff**
attended

Additional Support



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



150 CHILDREN
received financial
counselling and advice from
CSP staff



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



110 CHILDREN
& FAMILIES
who were in desperate need
received Emergency Relief
Support Packages



33 CHILDREN
received birthday
and Christmas presents
from their sponsors



14
CHILDREN IN NEED
received Lunar New Year gifts



50
COMMUNITY
GIFT PACKAGES
were delivered to children and
families in need in the provinces



50
CHILDREN
received support from CNCF's
Bicycle Support Programme



04
SPONSOR VISITS
to the children and their families
were facilitated



\$2,805 USD
extra financial support was
provided to sponsored children



CNCF Social Workers during a home visit to a Child Sponsorship Programme family

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OUR STORIES

From Abject Poverty To A Bright Future

Duyen* and her family reside in Ben Tre Province, in the Mekong Delta region of southern Vietnam. The journey to school for Duyen and her siblings was extremely challenging due to their remote location, requiring them to cross a river by boat every day. When Duyen's mother was diagnosed with a severe mental health condition, her father became the family's sole breadwinner. A few years ago, Duyen's father suffered from a degenerative cervical spine condition that rendered his capability to engage in labour work. To make ends meet, he started selling vegetables at the local market, but the meagre income was barely enough to cover their daily living expenses. Due to their difficult financial situation, Duyen's older sibling had to drop out of school and seek employment in a nearby factory.

It was then that CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme came to know Duyen and her family. The financial sponsorship was a great source of support, enabling Duyen to complete secondary education and go onto high school. She remarkably became the first member in her family to attend university, and was empowered to fully engage and focus on her education while gaining essential life skills that instilled in her a strong sense of determination and commitment. Recently, after years of hard work, she successfully graduated from university and is now working as a Teacher at a prestigious primary school in Ho Chi Minh City.

As Duyen reflected on her educational journey, she expressed her deepest gratitude for the generous financial and social support provided by CNCF and her kind sponsor. We are incredibly proud of Duyen and know that she will continue to achieve many more accomplishments in the new chapter of her life.

*Name and identity changed to protect privacy

OUR STORIES

A Testament To The Power Of Education And Perseverance

Long* grew up in a small town in Ca Mau Province, in the southernmost part of mainland Vietnam. A devastating tragedy struck when Long's father, the main breadwinner of the family, tragically passed away in an accident. This plunged the family into a dire financial situation and the economic burden fell upon his mother. Struggled to support the children's needs, Long's mother had no other option but to send Long and his brother to a local shelter in hopes of a better future.

Through CNCF's long-term partnership with the centre, we established a connection with Long and enrolled him in the Child Sponsorship Programme, ensuring consistent and sustainable educational support. Despite the challenges he faced, Long's perseverance shone through as he successfully completed his high school education. Long then pursued a degree in Information Technology at the Vietnam-Korea Vocational School in Ho Chi Minh City. He frequently returned to the centre to support as a teacher's aide to the students residing there. This year, Long reached a proud milestone as he earned his diploma and successfully secured stable employment, a testament to his indomitable spirit and commitment to education.

By providing children, regardless of their backgrounds, with access to education, CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme facilitates a child's journey of breaking their cycle of poverty and building a better future for themselves and their communities. Long's story is a testament to the transformative power of education, not only for the individual but for society as a whole.

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FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The total cost of the Child Sponsorship Programme in Vietnam in 2022 was:

Sponsorship Distribution Amount: **\$238,021 USD**

Special Assistance: **\$2,801 USD**

Child Enrichment: **\$2,704 USD**

Project Running Costs: **\$89,676 USD**

Heartfelt thanks to our kind sponsors who enable CNCF to keep this project operating and 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).

Our audits can be found [here](#).










CHILD SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME IN VIETNAM EXPENDITURES IN 2022

Expenditure	Amount (USD)
Sponsorship Distribution Amount	238,021
Child Enrichment	2,704
Child Special Assistance	2,801
Project Running Costs	89,676
TOTAL COST	333,202



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