



ANNUAL REPORT 2022

# EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME VIETNAM



# PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

## ESTABLISHED

2002

## LOCATION

Ho Chi Minh City

## BACKGROUND

The Education Scholarship Programme (ESP) was established in response to the growing need of adequate support for children living in poverty and/or experiencing economic hardship to remain in school and further their education. Students enrolled in the Programme are provided with scholarships to cover tuition fees and receive additional assistance in the form of career counselling, life skills training and support through other CNCF's Programmes. The Education Scholarship Programme enables vulnerable children and young adults to remain in the education system as well as enhancing awareness on the importance of education and empowering the students and their families to break the cycle of poverty, not only for themselves, but for their future generations to come.

## BENEFICIARIES

Students from disadvantaged backgrounds wanting to pursue or remain in the education system. The children in this programme are often orphans, street children living with relatives, children coming from low-income households, families affected by the acute financial hardships caused by a serious accident or illness to the primary income earner, children of large families whose parents are physically impaired or children from other CNCF programmes who want to pursue higher education.

## LOCAL PARTNERS

Thao Dan Social Protection Centre, Ho Chi Minh City Child Welfare Association, Women Union of Cau Ong Lanh Ward, Study Promotion Association of Tan Dinh Ward, Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology, and Fulbright University

## CNCF ACCOUNTABILITY

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

## MONITORING AND EVALUATION

The students' progress is closely monitored by CNCF Social Workers and timely support is provided when necessary. Prior to enrolment, and if issues arise, the Education Scholarship Programme Manager and Social Workers conduct home visits to the students' families. CNCF Board of Management and ESP staff organise weekly internal meetings for programme discussions. Monthly reports and semi-annual reports are provided to the Board of Management and an Annual Review of the programme is made available to all stakeholders.

# OUR YEAR

In 2022, CNCF's Education Scholarship Programme (ESP) continued to provide financial support to students, enabling them to pursue their education at Primary, Secondary, High School, College, University, and Vocational levels.

This year marked a significant milestone for CNCF's Education Scholarship Programme as we celebrated the 20th anniversary of the programme. To commemorate this important milestone, a scholarship distribution ceremony was held with the attendance of representatives from our local government partners, prominent donors, and most importantly, the students who have made this initiative special. We also launched the Noble Club, a platform to connect our Education Programme students, where they are connected with leaders from various industries to learn and gain practical experience. This initiative further demonstrates our commitment to the students' well-rounded education and training. CNCF is proud of the accomplishments the programme has achieved in the past 20 years and look forward to continuing supporting the education and development of our students in the years to come.

Since inception,



**6,245 STUDENTS**

have been supported by the

Education Scholarship Programme in Vietnam to continue their schooling and pursue tertiary education

In 2022,

**114 STUDENTS**

were supported by

CNCF's Education Scholarship Programme in Vietnam

**01 STUDENT**  
were from CNCF's  
Sunshine School

**15 STUDENTS**  
were from CNCF's  
Child Sponsorship  
Programme

**98 STUDENTS**  
were from the  
wider community

**01 SCHOLARSHIP  
CEREMONY**

was organised

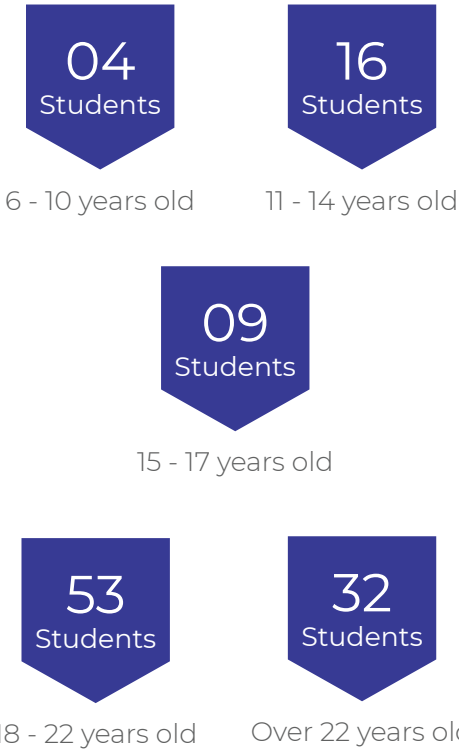


# OUR YEAR

## Demographic Data

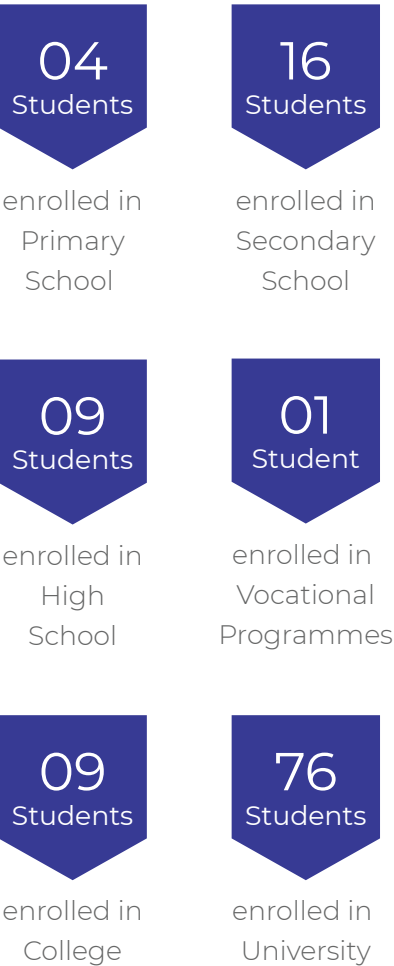
45 STUDENTS  
come from single-income families

## Age Group

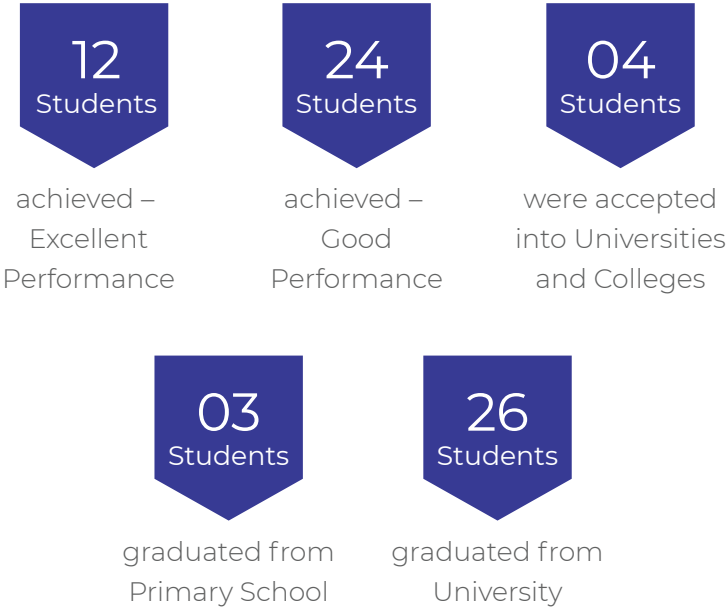


## Education

### Education Level



### Education Outcomes



## Life Skill Training

 114 STUDENTS  
attended a life skills training



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# OUR YEAR

## Home Visits



**11** HOME VISITS  
were conducted to the students' families for progress updates

## Additional Student Support



**03** STUDENTS  
received counselling and advice from our ESP staff regarding their educational performance, effective learning methods, and career orientation



**25** STUDENTS  
IN URGENT NEED  
received additional financial support for medical treatment

## Staff Training



**04** ESP STAFF  
attended a skills training session



# OUR STORIES

## The Transformative Power Of Education

Earlier this year, our team was filled with immense pride as we attended the graduation ceremony of Nhu\*, an alumni of CNCF's Education Scholarship Programme and Child Sponsorship Programme. When we first met Nhu and her family, her mother had just suffered from a stroke that rendered her working capability, while her father passed away when she was young. The monthly financial support through the Child Sponsorship Programme was their light at the end of the tunnel, enabling her family to afford basic necessities and Nhu to continue her studies from secondary school onto high school.

Despite her circumstances, through hard work and determination, Nhu was successfully accepted into the prestigious Pham Ngoc Thach Medical University. During this time, her family found themselves embroiled in a legal dispute over the ownership of their sole shelter, a modest and dilapidated house, resulting in a significant financial burden. Nhu then took on a part-time tutoring job in the evenings to support her tuition fees and living expenses. Balancing a demanding clinical internship at the hospital, her tutoring responsibilities, and caring for her mother was an overwhelming challenge for Nhu. Thanks to the scholarship from CNCF, Nhu's financial situation was alleviated and she was empowered to pursue her aspiration of becoming a Paediatrician, making a difference in the lives of children.

"On behalf of myself and my mother, I would like to thank you for your love, kindness, and support. Your generosity allowed me to receive the best academic support I could have ever asked for. I am forever grateful for the life-changing opportunity that you provided. Thank you." – Nhu shared upon her graduation

\*Name and identity changed to protect privacy





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# OUR STORIES

## A Dream Inspired

Vinh\* is one of the many talented students that CNCF has had the opportunity to connect with and empower with quality education. After his father passed away, Vinh's mother raised him with her meagre income and occasional support from their relatives.

Throughout his school years, Vinh consistently showed exceptional creativity and a great interest in learning. Realising his passion and talent in the arts and media, he made great efforts to enroll at Nguyen Tat Thanh University to study Graphic Design. Thanks to the tuition fee support of CNCF's Education Scholarship Programme, Vinh's dream of a tertiary education was fulfilled. Understanding the financial hardships that have always been a burden on his mother's shoulders, Vinh started taking on part-time jobs as a designer to strengthen his skills and support his family financially. Recently, Vinh shared good news that he successfully secured a position as a part-time designer for an architecture company. His skill and work ethics are highly appreciated by the senior management and his colleagues.

Recognising Vinh's commitment, determination, and confidence, CNCF Social Workers always remain by his side to provide guidance and ensure the success of his academic performance. With his talent and dedication, CNCF believes that Vinh is well on his way to a brighter future.

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# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

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The total cost of the Education Scholarship Programme in Vietnam in 2022 was:

Scholarship Distribution Amount: **\$55,083 USD**

Operational Costs: **\$11,323 USD**

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










## EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME IN VIETNAM EXPENDITURES IN 2022

Expenditure	Amount (USD)
Operational Costs	55,083
Scholarship Distribution Amount	11,323
<b>TOTAL COST</b>	<b>66,406</b>



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