

Newsletter



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During the second quarter of 2016 with great help of donors, some achievements have been obtained:

Heart Operation	Other Operation	Rehabilitation	Special Wheelchair	Scholarship
34 cases	07 cases	12 cases	23 cases	107 cases
33,175.00 USD	584.82 USD	1,546.10 USD		13,884.00 USD

THE LONG-TERM ACTIVITIES OF OG CDC

Poor families who have children with disability in loan program	13 families
Scholarship program for students with poor condition or students with disability	299 students
Special Education Program for children with intellectual disabilities	
- Future School	45 students
- 2 special classes at Duc Son's Care Orphanage Centre	16 students
- 1 special class in Huong Huu commune, Nam Dong district	6 students
Early Intervention Program for children with intellectual disabilities	
- Centre- based program in Hue Centre for Caring and Early Intervention	38 students
- Centre- based program in Nam Dong Early Intervention Centre	6 students
- Community-based Rehabilitation Program in Nam Dong	13 students
- Community-based Rehabilitation Program in Hue	38 students
Jobs for adolescences with disability	17 artisans
Speech Therapy Program	26 childrens
All programs above are on-going.	

We are also grateful to collaborators, friends of donors and benefactors who have given precious time to support us in preceding the programs for people with disabilities.





The heart of a father.



About 20 kilometers away from Hue, we visited the family of Mr. Ho Huu De at Quang Dien Province. Greeting us was a skinny weak man. He shared his life story to us, all of us could not believe that a man of only forty years old would have a day that he has to depend on his wife and kids to survive.

De was a very strong and energetic man. Born and raised in a poor farming family, He understands his circumstances so he would try to help out in the family. Having very little education as a kid, De had no choice but becoming a farmer. Married his wife 12 years ago, that was when he realized his

duty as a husband and a father towards his wife and kids.

years old and had to stop going to school to



After having two sons, De and his acquaintances decided to go to Laos to get a job with a hope of making lots more money. He made a decent amount of money for his family after 5 years working abroad. He and his wife tried to build another house to have a better living condition. But, the money De made was not even close to build their dream house so they have to loan more money from family.

Tragedy arrived to his family after 1 year living in their new house. De was discovered to have had heart disease. From

It has been 5 years since the day De found out about his heart disease, the surgery cannot be waited any longer. His wife had to loan 20 million Dong however, the fee for the surgery was 95 million. Following the help of the doctors, his family came to OG CDC to ask for help. The sponsors understood his family problem so they agreed to donate money for his surgery. He is now feeling a lot better.

Last of all, we would like to send our deepest thanks to all the sponsors who have donated to Mr. De's family as well as



this moment, his health decreased dramatically. He could not continue his farmer job. His oldest son is only 16

other poor families with similar issues.

Heart Operation Program

**AFEPS
Association**
(France)
12 cases
\$6,431.00

**HEALING THE
WOUNDED HEART
WORKSHOP**
(Vietnam)
13 cases
\$3,452.00

**LA FONDATION
STÉPHANE GUY
CROISIER**
(Switzerland)
09 cases
\$2,430.00

**VIET-KID
Organization**
(Germany)
02 cases
\$1,250.00

Ms.
CLAIRE BURGESS
(New Zealand)
02 cases
\$1,607.00

Ms.
PHAN NGOC TRAM
(Vietnam)
01 case
\$300.00

**UNITED WORLD
COLLEGE
Fund**
(Singapore)
06 cases
\$3,522.00

**EYES OF
COMPASSION
RELIEF Organization**
(Canada)
11 cases
\$7,848.00

**TUOI XANH -
ASSOCIATION
D'AIDE EN FAVEUR
DES ENFANTS
DEÏMUNIS AU VIET
NAM**
(Switzerland)
12 cases
\$3,930.00

**MINDFULNESS
COMMUNITY OF
HAMPTON ROADS,
VIRGINIA**
(USA)
1 case
\$130.00

**NORWAY-VIETNAM
CHILDREN'S HEART
FUND**
(USA)
02 cases
\$809.00

Mr.
TOM BROWN
(Australia)
01 case
\$71.00



♥ *Rehabilitation Program*

Rehabilitation Support Program for children with cerebral palsy at Hospital of Functional Rehabilitation for Handicapped Children - Hue City has still received great help from the generous benefactors. On behalf of the children and their families, please receive our sincere thanks for your care and compassion for their difficulties.

ANONYMOUS INTERNATIONAL DONOR

01 case
\$108.00

STONE HOUSE

Fund
(USA)
01 case
\$138.10

BEATITUDES

FUND
(USA)
10 cases
\$1,300.00

♥ *Other Operation & Supports*

Ms. ROSER GINER and FRIENDS

(Spain)
01 case
\$55.45.

With the support of sponsors, many poor patients with weak kidney, trauma of spinal column, brain tumour,... were operated and treated successfully. We are very happy and we would like to express our deep gratitude to the sponsors who have given poor patients the opportunities to get back to life.

STONE HOUSE

Fund
(USA)
02 cases
\$383.90

EYES OF COMPASSION RELIEF ORGANIZATION

(Canada)
2 cases
\$100.00

THE STUDENTS OF SEATTLE ACADEMY

(USA)
2 cases
\$45.50.

ORGANIZED THE SCHOOL CLOSING CEREMONY OF SCHOOL YEAR 2013-2014.



On May 30th 2016, Future School organized a Closing Ceremony with the participation of delegations from Provincial Youth Union, Fund for Vietnamese Children, all students, teachers and parents. In this school year, the teachers staff have tried a lot in supporting for children with disabilities to develop their capacities especially the life skills. On this occasion, we are very happy to get the generous support from Quoc Hoc and Dong Khanh Fund and domestic donors for our children.

THE 2016 INTERCULTURAL AND INTERPROFESSIONAL STUDENT PLACEMENT PROGRAM, UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA.

From May 9th to August 3rd, 2016, a team of 6 students and 2 professors of University of Queensland have worked with OG CDC to deliver a service across at the intervention and education centres for children with disabilities in Hue City and one centre in the

Nam Dong mountain district of Thua Thien Hue Province. Students came to provide an interprofessional and intercultural experience as well as identifying the needs by the professions of speech pathology, occupational therapy, physiotherapy for the disabled children in the Future School, Early intervention



centre in Hue and Nam Dong and Nguyệt Biều Catholic Orphanage. Basing on the specific characteristics of centre, student is very active in observation and make the plan to provided specific education and resources to ensure sustainable and long-term outcomes. Along this program, the group of students also conducted a therapy



worshop with the participation of OG CDC's early intervention and special education teachers and 2 teachers from Nguyệt Bieu Centre. This is really a very fruitfully program and we highly appreciate the greatly support of your professors and your students.

TWO SPEECH THERAPISTS PARTICIPATED IN THE CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND MEETING CLUB SPEECH THERAPY IN HO CHI MINH CITY.

On 6th of May 2016, two speech therapists have received the support of the TRINH Foundation - Australia to attend the Conference on Science and Meeting Club Speech Therapy at Pham Ngoc Thach University of Medicine - Ho Chi Minh city, they had a



meeting to exchange and share experiences and report on the results achieved after graduation. Through the reports of the other Speech Therapists from many Hospitals and other centers, we have learned more knowledge and therapies to support for the children in Center.

TEACHER AND STUDENT OF QUEENSLAND UNIVERSITY (AUSTRALIA) WORK IN OG CDC.

We are delighted to welcome the teachers and students from the Queensland University (Australia) visited and worked in Physical Therapy program of OG CDC. During 4 weeks of working, they have participated in the work of



therapy for children with disabilities in OG CDC's centers. That gave parents of disabled children the basic knowledge to take care of their children better. Besides, They also evaluated some new children and provides the needed tools for centers.

AWARDING 23 SPECIAL WHEELCHAIRS FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES.



On 9th April of 2016, with the support of ADM association (French), OG CDC – Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy has given 23 special wheelchairs for children with disability of Thua Thien Hue Province. In this time of giving the wheelchair, we are especially delighted to welcome members of ADM association who combine with us to hand these useful gifts to the families of children with disabilities. We hope that with our support, those children will have better facilities during the rehabilitation time. In addition, the wheelchair also helps them improve the living conditions and have the opportunities for community integration. Through this, we would like to say thank you to ADM association for your great help to children with disabilities.

GIVING SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENT WITH DISABILITY AND HARD CONDITION.

With the support from Vacef (America), VNED (France) and Stephane Croisier Fondation (Switzerland) and a donor, OG CDC has given 107



scholarships for 107 students with disable and hard condition in Hue and Quang Tri with 304,450,000 d. These are the meaningful gifts to encourage the students overcome the hard time to go school like other students.

GIVING USED HEARING AIDS FOR POOR PEOPLE.

In this quarter, Hoa Sen center of Audiology and Speech therapy has given 7 used hearing aids for 7 poor people in Hue and Quang Tri. These used hearing aids are selected by IMAYA (Japan), Seattle Academy (America), and ADM (France). These hearing aids are meaningful gifts so that the poor patients can hear the sound to integrate of communication. By this way, we would like to thank to donors for the helpful.

VISITING

It is our great honor and pleasure to have warmly welcomed individuals and organizations to our office during the last six months. These significant visits really encourage us to work with the best of our ability to help children with disabilities in Viet Nam.

- Malaysia: Ms. Wan Lai Yin, Ms. Sharifah Khairunnisa.

- Australia: Ms. Philippa Jean Greathead; Teachers and students from Queensland University: Maree Maloney, Kerry Staples, Emma Brown, Sophiene Chu, Georgia Gunn, Sophie Musgrave, Grace Myatt, Ashlea Needham

- America: Mr. Seth Koster



YOUR CONCERN AND SUPPORT ARE AN INVALUABLE SOURCE OF ENCOURAGEMENT FOR US IMPLEMENTING THE ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES.

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