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TCF New Year 2015 Newsletter

Dear all

As the year 2014 has closed behind, on behalf of underprivileged people in Viet Nam, We would like sincerely to thank supporters, donors and all members for your hard works, support and generous donation to The Compassion Flower (NGO) in the financial year of 2014. It has been a challenging year for everyone; However, with your generous supports and caring souls, we have withstood the hard time.

Your generous support has directly benefited many needy families and individuals. Our works not only to meet essential daily needs for the poor, but also work toward a brighter future with programs. These programs include job training; education; self-empowerment; elderly assistant; medical assistant; groundwater dug wells to provide clean water, as well as hygiene and clean environment programs for better health in remote areas of Viet Nam. Among 80% of the population in remote areas of Viet Nam, who are susceptible to hard times, children and the elderly are at the most risk, and they make up the largest number of clients we serve.

We would also like to take a few moments to look back at our accomplishment in the year 2014:

Winter Missions:

TCF has organized two winter missions to remote villages of central Vietnam. We donated rice, instant noodle, milk, medicated oil, medicine, blankets and clothes to **300** needy families in tribal villages of Aluoi province in January and **100** underprivileged families in coastal villages of Pha Tam Giang in December 2014.



Community Health Programs

1. Medical Missions

TCF has performed medical trips to the remote areas where health care is underserved or difficult to obtain. There around **200** patients in each trip through examinations, treatments and dispensing drugs and donating gift pack to each patient. The total number of patients being served in all trips has reached **1100**. Through these missions, many patients with life-threatening illnesses and many human trafficking survivors have been found.

Along with medical missions, we also carried out a series of community healthcare awareness programs. We conducted trainings on various health and hygiene matters, women and children in remote villages. Our efforts helped the communities to see the link between health and hygiene conditions in their area for better health and better quality of life.



3 Environmental programs (*installing Groundwater Dug Well*)

We have successfully installed **seven** groundwater dug wells in the remote villages of central Viet Nam for the poor elderly ailing and crowded families, where the water resource is very limited. This project enables local people to have access to clean water. As a result, the residents there are less prone to water-related diseases and illnesses. The pumped water from the well is also an excellent water source for farming and raising livestock.



Education

2. The Scholarship program

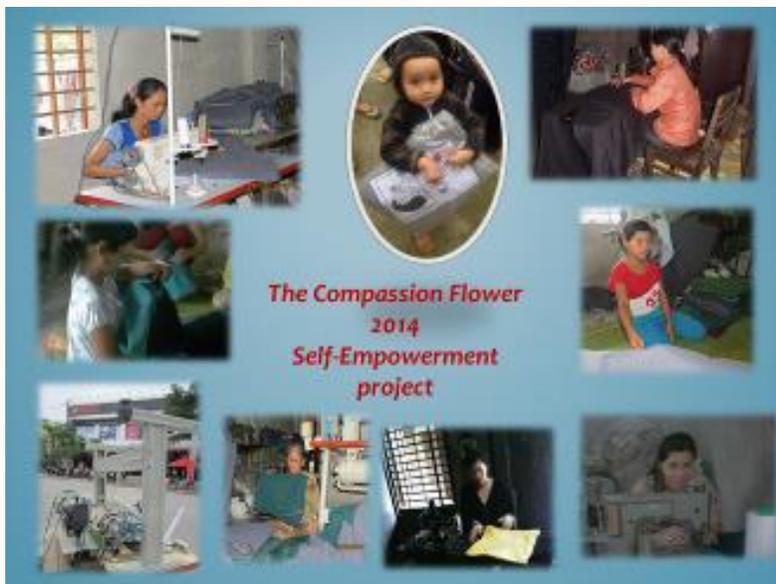
TCF has granted scholarships, donated bicycles, uniforms, and stationery to 920 underprivileged students in remote villages of Quang Tri, Thua Thien Hue and Quang Nam for the academic year 2014-2015. Scholarships for students are from 50 USD to 150USD for tuition; some destitute students are also provided a supplemental 15 dollars per month for food.



ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING programs

1. Self-empowerment programs

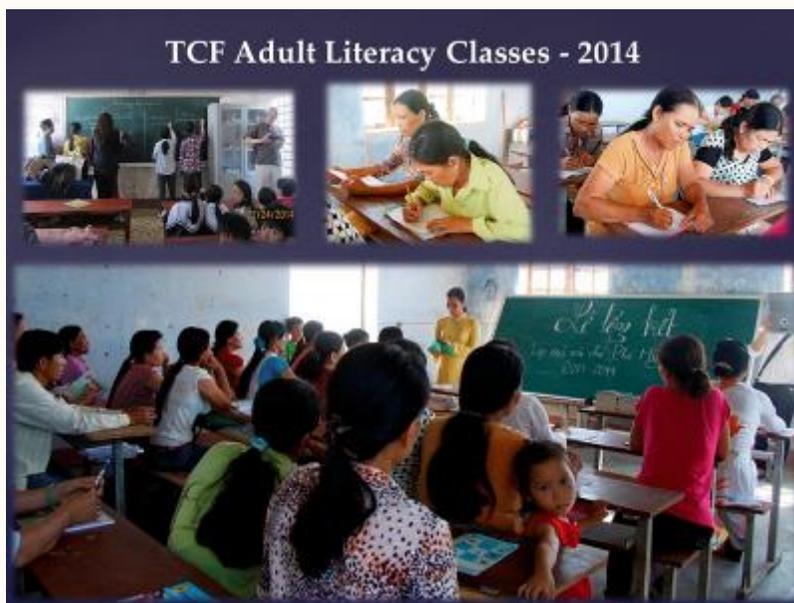
TCF purchased more equipment (sewing machines: industrial and portable) and subsidy daily lunch for disabled women, human trafficked survivors and young girls who attended the sewing training sections. This project gives them additional tools to achieve both financial and self-empowerment, as well as providing them with a means with which they can contribute to their families. The completed products like blankets and warm clothes have been donated to the children and old people in remote villages. All handicraft products are sold to local shops or private companies in Vietnam. TCF receives six trainees each year in the sewing project.



2. ***Anti-Human Trafficking Campaigns:*** We help raising awareness of human trafficking by working with local women association to inform the people of the dangers of human and labor trafficking. In these sections the attendees learn how to identify the criminals (traffickers), sharing experience, exchange information as well as studying a high risk of HIV/AIDS transmission, social evils that any migrant workers may face.



3. ***Adult Literacy classes:*** TCF has organized three classes for 95 men and women (age from 25 to 50, whereas some of them are labor trafficking survivors) in remote villages of T. T Hue. Each class is operated for eight months in a year.



Once again, thank you for your generous and continuous donation. We look forward to your continuing interest and support in The Compassion Flower humanitarian endeavors in the coming years.

Warmest thoughts and best wishes for a Happy New Year

Ngoc Nguyen, Co-Founder
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