

WHO WE ARE

Since 1991, VNAH, a U.S.-based nonprofit, has partnered internationally and locally to support persons with disabilities and disadvantaged children in Vietnam. VNAH improves quality of life, promotes social integration, and provides technical assistance to strengthen disability policies and social service systems.

IMPACT OVER 34 YEARS

- 85,100 persons with disabilities supported through rehabilitation, assistive devices, education, vocational training, employment, accessible latrines, and clean water.
- 27,800 social service providers, civil servants, and caregivers trained to better support persons with disabilities.
- 140 schools, 40 rehabilitation departments/units, and 5 vocational training schools built, equipped, and strengthened.

CAPACITY BUILDING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Barrier-free access design
- Social work with persons with disabilities
- Occupational therapy
- Speech therapy
- Physical therapy
- Vocational rehabilitation

POLICY AND SYSTEMS-LEVEL CONTRIBUTIONS

- Technical assistance supporting Vietnam’s National Disability Law.
- National and provincial action plans and programs for disability and rehabilitation services.
- Policies, procedures, and guidelines expanding insurance coverage and rehabilitation services.
- National accessibility codes and standards in public construction, transportation, and ICT.
- Disability database piloted in 10 provinces and expanded nationwide by the Ministry of Health.
- Support to national institutions and organizations, including NCCD (predecessor of NCD), the Vietnam Federation on Disability, and 10+ DPOs.

INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

ASHA; Asian Education Friendship Association; Aspen Institute; Australian Volunteers International; Curtin University; DAI Inc.; Disabled American Veterans; Canada Executive Service Organization (CESO); Kennedy Krieger Institute; PM/WRA; Pragmatics Corp.; U.S. Department of Labor.

DONORS

Butterfly Basket Foundation; Freeman Foundation; Ford Foundation; Nippon Foundation; Sasakawa Peace Foundation; USAID.

VOICES OF IMPACT

- “Normalization also means we should do more for the tragedy left behind... we cannot forget, and we should not forget, those who fought on our side.” — Butch Joe, DAV
- “Our mission is to reach back and help as many people as we can—give them artificial limbs, restore pride and self-respect, and enable them to support themselves and their families.” — Ca Van Tran, VNAH
- “Your work is particularly significant because this is the first NGO formed by Vietnamese Americans to extend humanitarian assistance to Vietnam.” — Richard Solomon, U.S. Department of State
- “I salute you for your important support of VNAH... this is tremendously significant for reconciliation, for bringing our two peoples back together.” — Marie Huhtala, U.S. Department of State