

From Danang TamKy and TuyHoa Vietnam

Thanks to Hazel's Footprint's Trust, over 130 children in the Global Volunteer Network Vietnam program have benefited from the 2008 – 2009 Educational Fund Donation.

While implementing the program, we have learned a lot along the way. We want to continue the existing programs and make some relevant improvements for 2009.

Our goals remain the same;

- To provide an education so kids can be happy, independent, productive members of society
- To enable kids to attend vocational training or even university
- To offer role models, encouragement and love
- To provide a sense of community and family where one does not currently exist

DaNang City

Mr. Hien teaches Vietnamese reading, writing and maths to orphans aged six to nineteen. The kids are focused on improving their reading and maths skills in order to receive vocational training in 12 – 18 months.

Mr. Hien also oversees the evening tutoring for the younger children aged seven to ten. We have hired Vietnamese college students to help teach kids how to read and help the other younger kids with homework.

Hazel's Trust Sponsorship has allowed us to fund two semesters of High School for two students and two semesters for one college student. All three students are girls from our orphanage program.

Two boys (age 17 and 18) are studying to become auto mechanics, one boy (age 17) will soon begin vocational training and two disabled girls are being taught to make jewellery by our volunteers.

TamKy

We have three part time teachers at two schools who assist the volunteers with English lessons. These teachers also help the students with their homework. One teacher has started Kindergarten classes at the Baby Orphanage for the four to six year olds.

In addition, through the Education Fund we are able to sponsor five students for Kindergarten from the Home of Affection.

TuyHoa

We have hired two part time teachers and as of February, we will have four interns from the local college to help with our evening classes with the street children at the Home of Affection.

Our volunteer (Courtney Hall) at the School for the Deaf is an Art teacher and she is teaching some rather gifted students formal art techniques for painting and drawing. We have already begun selling some of their work at fund raisers in Australia. In September, Courtney will hold an exhibit of both her art and that of the students in Melbourne, AU. Proceeds from the art sales go to the artists and their school nutrition program.

