





EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME MONGOLIA & VIETNAM

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When children are educated, they possess something which cannot be lost or taken away from them and which offers them some protection from exploitation and abuse. They will have more power in the labour market; they will be better equipped to provide for themselves in a way which protects their integrity and their dignity.

- Christina Noble OBE -



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### **ABBREVIATIONS**

BSP	Bicycle Support Project
CNCF	Christina Noble Children's Foundation
CSP	Child Sponsorship Programme
ESP	Education Scholarship Programme
HCMC	Ho Chi Minh City
MOLISA	Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs
UN	United Nations
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation
USD	US Dollar
WHO	World Health Organisation
FIFE	Furniture Industry for Education



# OUR VISION, MISSION, VALUES

**Vision:** A united world where children are free from suffering, poverty, exploitation, fear, and oppression. Where children are aware of their fundamental human rights.

**Mission:** The Christina Noble Children's Foundation is dedicated to serving the physical, medical, educational, and emotional needs of vulnerable children. We believe that every child deserves love, respect, and freedom from all forms of exploitation. We establish long-term relationships with the children we support and empower them to live happy, emotionally rich, and independent lives.

**Values:** Our values represent our beliefs and guide how we behave. They are love, compassion, respect, honesty, and integrity.

#### REPORT 2019

# PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

## MONGOLIA

ESTABLISHED	2001
LOCATION	Capital City Ulaanbaatar
OBJECTIVES	To provide financial support giving young people from disadvantaged backgrounds the opportunity to pursue higher education
BENEFICIARIES	High school graduates wishing to further their education and students enrolled in university, college, or voca- tional training centres who are in need of financial assistance to continue their studies
LOCAL PARTNERS	Family, Child and Youth Development Agency of Mongolia; Family Child and Youth Development Department of Ulaanbaatar City; Ulaanbaatar Boys' Prison and Executive Court of Mongolia

#### CNCF ACCOUNTABILITY

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

#### MONITORING AND EVALUATION

The social workers organise regular meetings with each student to get updates on their academic progress as well as communicating directly with the universities. Each student's transcript including their achievements and grades are sent to the Director of Operations. The progress of the children is also monitored at monthly distribution days through conversations with our team. Monthly reports are provided to the Board of Management and an Annual Review of the programme is made available to all stakeholders

## OPERATIONAL COST & SPONSORSHIP AMOUNT

Operational Costs: USD \$3,000 Sponsorship Distribution Amount: USD \$26,360

January - December 2019

#### **REPORTING PERIOD**

**2020 OBJECTIVES** 

- To continue to provide the financial assistance that enables disadvantaged young people to pursue higher education
- To improve our services and strengthen our ability to create lasting change in the lives of the young people in our programme

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# PROGRAMME **OVERVIEW**

## VIETNAM

ESTABLISHED	2002		
LOCATION	Ho Chi Minh City (HCMC), Vietnam		
OBJECTIVES	To provide disadvantaged children with financial support in the form of education scholarships, career counselling, life skills training and support through other programmes, enabling them to remain in the education system as well as enhancing awareness on the impor- tance of education and empowering the students and their families to break the cycle of poverty and lead fulfill- ing lives, no only for themselves, but for the future gener- ations 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		

who want to pursue higher education

hardships caused by a serious accident or illness to the

primary income earner, children of large families who's

parents are physically impaired or children from other CNCF programmes such as the CNCF Sunshine School

#### Thao Dan Social Protection Centre, HCMC Child LOCAL PARTNERS Welfare Association, Women Union of Cau Ong Lanh Ward, Study Promotion Association of Tan Dinh Ward, HCMC University of Technology CNCF is entirely responsible for funding, CNCF ACCOUNTABILITY programme management, monitoring and evaluation The students progress is monitored and timely **MONITORING AND EVALUATION** support is provided when necessary. Prior to enrolment and as issues arise, the ESP manager and social worker conduct home visits to the students' families. CNCF staff also organises 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 Operational Costs: USD \$11,771 **OPERATIONAL COST &** SPONSORSHIP AMOUNT Sponsorship Distribution Amount: USD \$29,262 January - December 2019 **REPORTING PERIOD** • To continue to provide financial support for **2020 OBJECTIVES** education and complementary support such as career counselling and life skills training • To update our internal database management • To continue to strengthen partnerships with local partners

## REPORT 2019 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 2019, the Education Scholarship Programme (ESP) continued to provide financial support to children and young adults, allowing them to continue their education at primary, secondary, high school, college, university, and vocational levels.

In 2020, we aim to increase the number of students enrolled in the programme and develop new partnerships within the community to provide greater opportunities for our children. Sustainable development is also a focus in 2020. We will be reviewing the value of the scholarships and ensure we continue to provide further training and workshops for the young people in this programme.

### 2019 HIGHLIGHT

CNCF is focused on ensuring sustainable change within the lives of our young people and the communities we support. We do so by ensuring we provide holistic support for the personal and professional development of each child. We understand the vital role education plays in breaking the cycle of poverty for our beneficiaries, their families and future generations to come. We believe in our young people, and seek ways to ensure we as a foundation are evolving and creating opportunities for greater change. In 2019 CNCF formally employed 4 previous CNCF ESP recipients. We are incredibly proud and honoured to have them a part of the CNCF Team in their roles as a Teacher of Arts, Teacher of Crafts, Administration Assistant and Team Leader of the Blue Skies Card Making Project. We aim to continue to create employment opportunities within CNCF for our beneficiaries.



## REPORT 2019 PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

Education plays a fundamental role in the growth and development of every child and is a key factor that supports children in breaking the cycle of poverty. Access to affordable education and the costs of transportation, uniforms, learning materials, and informal fees set by schools or communes at the local level remain the barriers to education for many children from impoverished backgrounds. Children from poor households cannot go to school to complete their education or further their studies due to economic constraints. Financial hardhship also contribute to an increase in the number of students dropping out of school to work to support their families.

CNCF believes that every child regardless of their circumstances deserves access to a quality education. By providing financial support through the Education Scholarship Programme in Vietnam and Mongolia, we aim to provide needed disadvantaged children with financial assistance to continue and further their education.



# PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

### MONGOLIA

In 2001, the Education Scholarship Programme (ESP) was established as an offshoot of the Child Sponsorship Programme (CSP) to give children from disadvantaged backgrounds the opportunity to pursue higher education. The scholarship fund is open to all young adults who wish to pursue higher education in college, university, or vocational training but lack the financial resources to do so.

To support children in CSP who wish to continue their studies past the age of eighteen, we contact their sponsors to ask for their continued support in covering the child's tuition fees. If the sponsor is unable to do so, the student can apply to our scholarship fund by meeting with our sponsorship team, outlining their motivations for continuing their education and providing a record of their school grades and reports. The children's living conditions and family income are also taken into account to assess their eligibility for this programme. The students are also required to write a short essay outlining their choice of subject, future aspirations and their commitment to receiving a scholarship. Full or partial scholarships for the upcoming academic year are provided to eligible children. Every student must re-apply for funding each year and our team evaluates their academic progress and commitment. Although not strictly limited to children who are already part of one of our Foundation's programmes, we do not advertise or promote the scholarship fund externally. Thus, most applicants are or have previously been under the Foundation's umbrella of care.

In 2019 we started to build awareness of the ESP programme within local Mongolian community to build partnerships. As a result, Bitumina Mongolia Co-Itd, has sponsored one student tuition fee.

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# PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

### MONGOLIA

#### **Community Service Activities**

A fundamental part of CNCF's mission is to build long-term relationships with the children and young adults we support. We seek to include our young people as often as possible in events, activities and our team's daily work, empowering them to feel part of the CNCF community. This not only builds a sense of togetherness between our staff and the students, but also enables our young people to gain essential personal and professional skills.

#### **Noble Club**

Young adults on the ESP programme and other CNCF beneficiaries join CNCF's community group, 'Noble Club' which focuses on developing leadership skills amongst the young people and supporting the local Mongolian community. Noble Club members actively engage in the community to provide support through regular community engagement with the elderly, assisting in the facilitation of community activities and supporting young people who have experienced disadvantage. The Noble Club is a great place for like minded young people to connect, build lasting friendships, develop their leadership skills and actively contribute to positive change within the Mongolian community. Noble Club members participate in 12 hours of volunteering per month.





# REPORT 2019 PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

### MONGOLIA

#### **Life Skills Training**

We seek opportunities to support the well-rounded development of our young people. Besides academic activities, CNCF provides training programmes for the students, ensuring that they are equipped with the necessary skills and knowledge to grow into happy, fulfilled and productive individuals.

This year, we organised training activities and workshops for the children and young adults in partnership with the Child, Family and Youth Development Department of Ulaanbaatar city as part of the '100 Youth Project'. The sharing sessions focused on personal development with topics ranging from how to maintain a positive attitude, self-reflection and emotion intelligence, aimed to support the emotional development of each child.

# PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

### MONGOLIA

#### **Events & Activities**

#### **Graduation Celebration**

In June, a special graduation celebration was organised at the CNCF's Blue Skies Ger Village to celebrate the students' academic achievements. During the event, our graduates spoke about their career aspirations and shared heartwarming stories about their time with the Foundation. It was beautiful to see what confident, ambitious and thoughtful young adults they have become and it was happiness and luck in the next chapter of their lives.

As we seek to establish long-term and profound relationships with young adults, we continue to provide guidance and support whenever possible as our young people move on to their next chapter of their lives.

#### **Scholarship Award Ceremony**

In August, a special award ceremony was held to recognise and congratulate the students of the 2019 Education Scholarship Programme on their academic performance with the attendance of CNCF partner representatives Ms Sh. Ankhmaa, Deputy Mayor of Ulaanbaatar city; N.Khukhuu, of the Child and Family Development Department of Ulaanbaatar and Director Manduul, of the Youth Development Department.

Fiftytwo students attended this special occasion to receive their scholarship certificates. They also enjoyed inspirational talks from CNCF's Director of Operations and CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme and Education Scholorship Programme Manager. A former student of the ESP also joined the ceremony where he shared his encouraging stories about how the Foundation has helped him achieve his goals and offered life and academic advice.





# PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

### MONGOLIA

#### **Events & Activities**

#### **Student Awards**

Throughout the year, our students participate in a range of contests and competitions where they showcase their talents while developing self-confidence and social skills. We are always incredibly proud of our children who despite growing up in extremely disadvantaged conditions, manage to rise above their limiting circumstances and achieve their dreams. This year, 6 students were awarded for their excellent performance, determination and participation in academic, social and sports activities.

# REPORT 2019 PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

## MONGOLIA

#### **Events & Activities**

#### **Staff Awards**

This year, we were delighted that our staff were recognised for their hard work and outstanding contribution to childcare in the community.

- Baigalmaa Batkhuyag, who is responsible for the Education Assistance Programme was awarded the Best Youth Medal recognised by the Ulaanbaatar city authority.
- Social worker Nergui Purevsuren was awarded "Best Employee" recognised by the CNCF team in Mongolia.
- Social worker Naranbaatar, driver Bayaraa, programme manager Munkhtuul have received the Bulgan Province 90th Anniversary Medal from Province Mayor.
- Social Worker Naranbaatar Batmunkh, and Psychologist Ariunjargal, both received the "Best Youth Award" from the Mongolian Youth Federation.



# PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

### MONGOLIA

#### **Events & Activities**

#### **Staff Awards & Trainings**

At the end of each year, the Family, Children and Youth Development Department of Ulaanbaatar City facilitates an awards ceremony to honour and recognise government & non government organisations for their leading role in supporting young people and community development.

In 2019, the Department initiated Humanitarian award and CNCF was selected among many highly prominent international and local non-government organisations for having a unique model of tailoring the support provided to each individual child's life and contributing to sustainable change on the frontline of poverty in Mongolia.

All of us at CNCF are proud that our efforts and dedication have made a profound impact on the communities we work in. This recognition motivates us to continue to support Mongolia's disadvantaged communities even more effectively, leading to a brighter future for many of vulnerable children.

#### **Staff Training & Workshops**

Delivering consistent and high-quality care to our children and young adults remains our priority. To do so we ensure our staff are adequately trained in order to provide the best quality of care to our children and young people. In 2019, training sessions on psychology were organised for our staff to gain knowledge of different personality traits and types, emotional intelligence and positive self-expression and communication. These sharing sessions are conducted by our psychologist team as part of the personal development programme for all CNCF staff to maximise the quality of services we provide for some of Mongolia's most vulnerable children.



# REPORT 2019 PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

### VIETNAM

Recognising the need for support in helping children living in poverty or experiencing economic hardship remain in school and receive the opportunities to further their education, CNCF established the Education Scholarship Programme (ESP) in 2002. The students enrolled in the programme are provided with scholarships to cover tuition fees and receive additional support in the form of career counselling, life skills training and provision of computers and laptops based upon their needs.

ESP offers scholarships to eligible students who come from disadvantaged backgrounds, low-income households or street children living with relatives. We also provide financial assistance to children from other CNCF programmes such as the Sunshine School who want to pursue higher education. To date, the Education Scholarship Programme in Vietnam has assisted more than **3,200** disadvantaged children in their educational journey.





#### REPORT **2019**

# PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

### VIETNAM

#### **Scholarship Disbursement**

ESP staff in collaboration with our local partner offices, organise scholarship disbursement ceremonies for all children enrolled in the programme. This is also an additional opportunity for our teams to interact with our beneficiaries and their families to celebrate their achievements and get additional updates on their circumstances.

During the scholarship disbursement ceremonies, networking and team-building activities are arranged for students attending college, university and vocational training. The social interactions form a platform for the young people to share their experiences with each other, gain confidence and develop communication and interpersonal skills.

In 2019, all ESP students received fixed scholarship amounts based on their education level. Our sponsors and students were able to build a connection as some of the disbursement ceremonies were held in the presence of the direct sponsors.

#### **Case Management**

Case management is an important aspect of monitoring the programme. The ESP team monitors each family's circumstances and living situation, social environment and economic conditions as well as assessing any risks that the students and their families are facing. Based on this information, appropriate intervention and support plans are discussed and implemented.

Frequent meetings with parents are conducted to ensure the teams are monitoring the children and family's living circumstances and overall wellbeing and timely support is provided. Review meetings are held at the CNCF office or through phone calls to ensure all families have regular communication with the ESP team. Our ESP staff also work closely with the students, schools and our local partners to collect school reports and updates on the academic performance of each student.

#### **Home Visits**

We believe that being in a familiar and safe environment enables the children and their families to feel more comfortable and facilitates open communication on their daily lives. Our ESP social workers conduct regular home visits to develop and maintain a strong connection with the children and their families as well as gaining a greater understanding of the families' challenges and concerns. Assessments on risks, welfare and child protection of the students are conducted on a daily basis. **17** 



# REPORT 2019 PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

### VIETNAM

#### **Additional Support**

#### **Encouragement Gifts**

To support students with extreme financial difficulty, we provided gift packs to families in support of a fulfilling Lunar New Year which is the most important celebration in Asian culture.

Throughout the year, our team also delivered hundreds of essential items such as school supplies, clothes, shoes, donated household items to children and families in need, improving their living conditions and taking some pressure off the families.

#### Counselling

In addition to the financial aid, we provide our students with social support and guidance. When a student seeks counsel on educational goals, our social workers aim to address their needs to give advice on career plans and study methods. We ensure all students in need of counselling receive sufficient assistance.

#### Life Skills Training & Workshops

CNCF provides children with a wide range of knowledge and skills which are important tools in preparing them to take action in diverse situations and develop into active and productive members of their communities. Training activities include games, group work, discussions and presentations which empower the children to develop self-confidence, teamwork, critical thinking and communication skills.

This year, 4 training sessions were organised at the CNCF office to equip up to 100 children from Child Sponsorship Programme and Education Scholarship Programme with knowledge on varied types of abuse, the negative effects on the psychological and physical health of young people and raising awareness on children's rights. The sessions created a safe and comfortable environment for open communication and sharing where personal concerns and opinions were raised and discussed, enabling our team to offer support when needed.





## REPORT 2019 PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

## VIETNAM

#### **Staff Training & Workshops**

Ensuring a high quality of service is an essential requirement of all CNCF programme delivery. Many of our ESP children from challenging backgrounds such as poverty, abandonment and neglect experience daily psychological challenges. It is therefore important that our staff are equipped with the necessary and up-to-date knowledge in order to offer professional and methadolical guidance to the children.

In 2019, ESP staff attended a workshop to develop their skills to further support children through behavioural management at Ca Mau Social Centre. The 2-day training provided knowledge on basic psychology, creating supportive environments, empowerment and practical counselling support to children.

In addition to the social work, reporting is a vital part to monitor, record and provide assessment on the project operation and communicate the children's needs to current and potential donors. A workshop on English proposal and report writing skills was arranged with the attendance of all ESP members. The session allowed the staff to understand the professional lexical resource and grammatical structures.

Donor Angela Hsu of Furniture Industry For Educatin with the children they support on ESP Angela testimonial: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=53yd\_ZehnK0 VIET

# GLOBAL STATISTICS

Poverty remains one of the leading barriers to accessing an education. This contributes to a high number of children and young adults disengaging from the education system causing low access to employment opportunities and limits their ability to build a thriving future out of poverty for themselves and their communities.



58%

of primary and lower secondary school-age children are not achieving basic numeracy and literacy  $\ensuremath{^{11}}$ 

# 258 million

children and youth remained out of school for the school year ending in<sup>2</sup>2018

# At the current rate, by 2030, of the **1.4 billion**

school-age children in low- and middle-income countries, 420 children will not learn the most basic skills in childhood and 825 children will not acquire basic secondary-level skills<sup>[3]</sup>



UNICEF 2018
UNESCO Institute for Statistics
UNICEF 2019-2030 Education Strategy



# OUR YEAR

The Education Scholarship Programme in Mongolia provides a pathway to higher education for young people living in poverty who without this programme, would be disengaged from the education system. CNCF recognises the value of higher education on contributing to greater employment opportunities and greater financial independence that empowers young people to break the cycle of poverty, which not only supports their families but future generations to come.

## MONGOLIA

75 STUDENTS applied for support through the ESP

64 STUDENTS were accepted into the ESP due to their eligibility

**13** STUDENTS received tuition fee assistance from their sponsors

# OUR YEAR

### AGE GROUP OF STUDENTS IN ESP

18

years

old

18

16

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old

1

Age

Number of

**Students** 

17

years

old

6

19

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old

16

21

vears

old

6

22

vears

old

3

20

vears

old

14

<b>MONGOLIA</b>
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**STUDENTS** were accepted into the Education Scholarship Programme

48 STUDENTS were from CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme

> **STUDENTS** were from CNCF's Blue Skies Ger Village

**STUDENTS** were former students of CNCF's Boys' Prison Education Programme

O2 Students received scholarships to attend High School



received scholarships to study at Vocational Training College



received scholarships to pursue their Undergraduate Degrees at University

## PERCENTAGES OF THE STUDENTS' TUITION FEES FUNDED THROUGH THE ESP





In addition to the new scholarship recipients, **O5** EXISTING STUDENTS graduated from university this year.

CNCF staff and ESP children on graduation day in Mongolia

# OUR YEAR

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## VIETNAM

CNCF believes that every child has the right to an education. Through the Education Scholarship Programme in Vietnam, we support disadvantaged children and young adults who lack the means to access an education through the provision of financial assistance. The education scholarships enable the students to gain knowledge, have access to a higher education therefore increasing their opportunities in the employment market and thus, supporting them to reach their full potential.

**STUDENTS** 

received scholarships through

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enrolled in High School

enrolled in Intermediate.

College and University

the Education Scholarship Programme

enrolled in Primary School

enrolled in Secondary School

#### **Academic Achievement**



## **Achieving A Bright Future**

Delger\* enrolled in CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme when he was 8 years old while living in extreme poverty with his parents and three siblings in a dilapidated traditional Mongolian home (ger) on a construction site. Delger's younger brother was physically impaired as a result of a brain injury, his mother was required to stay home while his father worked as a guard at the construction site for low wages. The family income was just enoughfor them to pay for their rental costs for their ger and just enough food to get by.

Despite living in extreme poverty, Delger was always trying his best to pursue his dream of a self-sufficient future. After graduating from the Child Sponsorship Programme, Delger applied for tuition fee support through the Education Scholarship Programme and has been in the programme for the last 3 years. Recently, Delger successfully graduated from university with excellent grades and was offered an official position at one of Mongolia's leading banks, the Mongolia Khan Bank.

This is a testament of hard work and determination of a young adult who has lifted himself out of poverty and is able to support his family financially. We believe that Delger will excel in his career and continue to thrive throughout his future.

\*Names and identities changed to protect privacy



### **Testimonial From A Parent**

"There are truly beautiful people and real humanitarians that work at CNCF. They understand our pain, they understand what it feels like to raise four little children on my own. It is because of CNCF, my daughter is able to study at university and get an education just like any other child, without being marginalised in this big city. As a mother from a poor family, it is impossible for me to support my daughter in her dreams. The thought of sending my daughter to the capital city to study was like a dream that I thought would never come true. Luckily, my daughter was enrolled in the Education Scholarship Programme which has enabled her to have an opportunity to study and change her life. Deep appreciation to all CNCF staff, thank you all for your kindness and belief in my daughter."

\*Identities changed to protect privacy



### **Thank You From A Graduate**

"I wanted to become a doctor with a kind heart and compassion for others as I am a disabled person myself. It has been 13 years since I first got to know CNCF, who has been a big influence and a great support in my family. CNCF has witnessed us lifting ourselves from extreme poverty, to becoming a happy family and been with us through the hardest time of our lives. Now it is time for me to give back and start building my life as an independent adult with a good job at the most prestigious private hospital. I am going to finish my residency here and will continue to study my higher degree to achieve more academic successes as well as to further my skills and knowledge in my field so that I can continue to help other people. Thank you CNCF. Thank you to my sponsor of thirteen years and all the kind-hearted social workers for providing me with a valuable opportunity to grow, and for believing in me."

\*Identities changed to protect privacy



## **Giving Wings To A Dream**

When we first found Hang\* and her family in the slums of Vietnam in 2009 they were living in a squalor, surrounded by polluted water and waste. Hang's father struggled to find a stable job due to having his leg paralysed as a result of polio, while her mother took on any work she could, from cleaning to shoemaking. Their combined income was not sufficient enough to make ends meet, let alone cover the tuition fees of their school-age children. Hang and her sister were often afraid of being called to their teachers office for unpaid tuition fees and feared dropping out of school like many of their peers.

CNCF knew how important education was to Hang and her future and she was immediately enrolled into the Education Scholarship Programme. She was thrilled to find out she was accepted. The opportunity motivated her to continue her studies and pursue her dream of going to university.

In 2015, Hang completed high school and was accepted into university majoring in Accounting. She was also provided with a bicycle to commute to and from university through CNCF's Bicycle Support Programme and a laptop to assist with her studies as well as career counselling support. Receiving this support and encouragement inspired Hang to continue to strive for her dreams. During her time at university, Hang took on many part-time jobs from tutoring to sales to support her family. Despite all the challenges faced by Hang and her family, she never gave up on her dreams and always pushed forward. Thanks to her hard work and determination, Hang proudly graduated with a Bachelor's Degree and successfully secured employment at an audit and accounting firm this year, laying a strong foundation for a prosperous future for her and her family and future generations to come.

\*Names and identities changed to protect privacy





### **Overcoming Tragedy**

Duy\* was only 8 months old when a tragic accident occurred, amputating his arm and burning his neck and face. Years have passed but the physical pain of his injuries still haunt him with reoccurring health challenges resulting from his wounds continuing to impact his life. Duy's father worked as a bricklayer while his mother worked at a parking lot and sold snacks in the evening to make ends meet. The family struggled to cover the costs of Duy's medical treatments and school fees. As a result, for many years, Duy's education was constantly disrupted until he was enrolled in CNCF's Sunshine School and completed primary education when he was 14 years old.

Despite the family's financial difficulties, Duy's parents always hoped their son could have a bright and successful future through education. With the constant motivation from ESP staff and encouragement from his family, Duy decided to continue his schooling and not only completed his secondary education but also successfully entered high school. For years, Duy has received the support of education scholarships and counselling from the ESP team. When Duy's father lost his leg due to an accident at work, we were able to provide timely support to the family and empower Duy to study further. Duy is now studying in grade 11 and preparing for his final year at high school, nurturing a college dream of becoming a teacher and ultimately breaking the cycle of poverty that has limited his family.

\*Name and identities changed to protect privacy



### **Becoming Her Family's Hope**

Ngoc<sup>\*</sup> was well-known in her neighbourhood for her excellent academic performance, but Ngoc always thought that a high school education was the furthest academic level she could reach even though she dreamed of more. Our ESP came accross Ngoc in 2017, the young girl had just received her offer letter into college which she was planning to decline due to the family's economic challenges. Thankfully with the support of CNCF Ngoc entered college. The programme has provided financial support and has become a source of emotional support and motivation for Ngoc and her family. 'She couldn't stop crying before you came and now she can't stop smiling.' - shared Ngoc's mother in our first scholarship award ceremony with Ngoc.

Ngoc is now in her senior year at college and will soon receive her diploma in Marketing, getting a step closer to her dream of becoming a successful entrepreneur.

\*Name and identities changed to protect privacy

# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The total cost of the Education Scholarship Programme in Mongolia was:

Operational Costs: **USD \$3,000** Sponsorship Distribution Amount: **USD \$26,360** 

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

Operational Costs: **USD \$11,771** Sponsorship Distribution Amount: **USD \$29,262** 

Heartfelt thanks to our kind donors who enable CNCF to keep this project operating and also to those who generously support with gift and time in-kind which enables us to keep our costs down.

Audit in progress at time of reporting. Our audits can be found at: www.cncf.org/finance-policies/



## EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME EXPENDITURES IN 2019

## MONGOLIA

	Description	Expenditure 2019	0
• •	Operational Costs	3,000	•
• •	Sponsorship Distribution Amount	26,360	•
	TOTAL COST	29,360	0

## VIETNAM

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	Operational Costs	11,771	
•	Sponsorship Distribution Amount	29,262	•
0	TOTAL COST	41,033	•



## CHRISTINA NOBLE CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

## EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

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# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Thanks to our donors and supporters who provide the opportunity for many disadvantaged children and young adults to remain in education. This programme enables these students to break the cycle of poverty not only for themselves but for future generations to come, provides access to greater opportunities in the employment market and assists them to secure a brighter future for themselves and their families.

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