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ICO VIETNAM NEWSLETTER



**THIS YEAR, WE ARE
ADDING...**

16 NEW STUDENTS

TOTAL= 31 STUDENTS

**IN 8 DIFFERENT CITIES
AND PROVINCES**

IN 2021-2022, WE SUPPORTED...

19 STUDENTS

4 OF WHOM GRADUATED IN SUMMER 2022

We also welcome Gina Le on board as a field lead. Gina is based out of Ho Chi Minh City, and she has screened and referred 5 new students.

We are grateful for volunteers like Mau Le, Kim Anh Nguyen, and Gina Le who carry the tremendous responsibility of assessing and supporting students in Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City, Ca Mau, and other provinces in Vietnam.

WELCOME ON BOARD!

We are excited to welcome 7 new individuals and families on board as sponsors.

A big thank you to existing sponsors who have decided to support additional students this year, which made it possible for us to support 31 students for the school year of 2022/2023.



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MEET THE VOLUNTEERS



The Vietnam Education Initiative is able to put 100% of your donation toward students thanks to the time, efforts, and creativity of amazing volunteers in Canada and Vietnam. They keep our books balanced, our website up to date, our communication systems running smoothly, our social media accounts active, and so much more. In this newsletter I would like to especially thank two volunteers who quietly go about their tasks behind the scenes for the Vietnam Education Initiative:

A BIG THANK YOU TO ELINOR NGUYEN!

Elinor keeps our Facebook page active. Despite her busy life as a young professional she is always ready and willing to create content for our Facebook page. Thank you for your financial support and your time!



GRATITUDE FOR DOUG PHYALL!

I have so much respect and appreciation for my friend and fellow Rotarian Doug Phyll for the time, efforts, commitment, and heart that he has invested into the life of a young man who is eager to learn English. Doug has been tutoring Toan for about a year. They meet once a week at a time that is too early for me to be awake. Doug always has a smile on his face when he tells me about Toan's progress.



OUR VISION

ICO is founded on the premise that friends working together can harness the power of innovative ideas: Through the common goals of communities and volunteers around the world, ICO develops processes and community-led initiatives to advance education and alleviate poverty.

ICO - A Six-Minute Story: <http://ICOSTory.info>

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"...above all, we are friends working together..."