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A 2025 REPORT FROM
MAI NHA
Children Foundation Vietnam

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Dear Mai Nha family,



We hope your 2025 has been good so far!

This year has been another bright chapter for all our 16 beloved children at Mai Nha and our scholarship students. They continue to grow and thrive, especially now as more of them transition to their teenage years. It has been a season of change, discovery and small victories. We're delighted to say everyone is happy!

Of course, raising more teenagers at home brings its own adventures and challenges. But our team and staff face each day with patience, care, and lots of heart! We can't wait to share stories of how we've been guiding them through these exciting transitions and how your support makes all the difference.

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they're all grown up!

coming-of-age years

All 16 children have entered their tween and teenage years! Their ages now range from 10 to 17 years old. They're all doing great, are cheerful, full of energy and get along very well with their brothers and sisters.

We're proud to say they're all doing very well at school both academically and socially with some of the children having exceptional grades. They're not shy at all and have lots of friends. Also, now that they're a bit older, they've been thinking about their education after high school and what jobs they'd like to take.

Tuyen is graduating high school soon!

She's on her last year of high school and has been such a great example for her brothers and sisters. She's excited for making the most of her potential after high school and has been thinking about what job she wants to do someday.

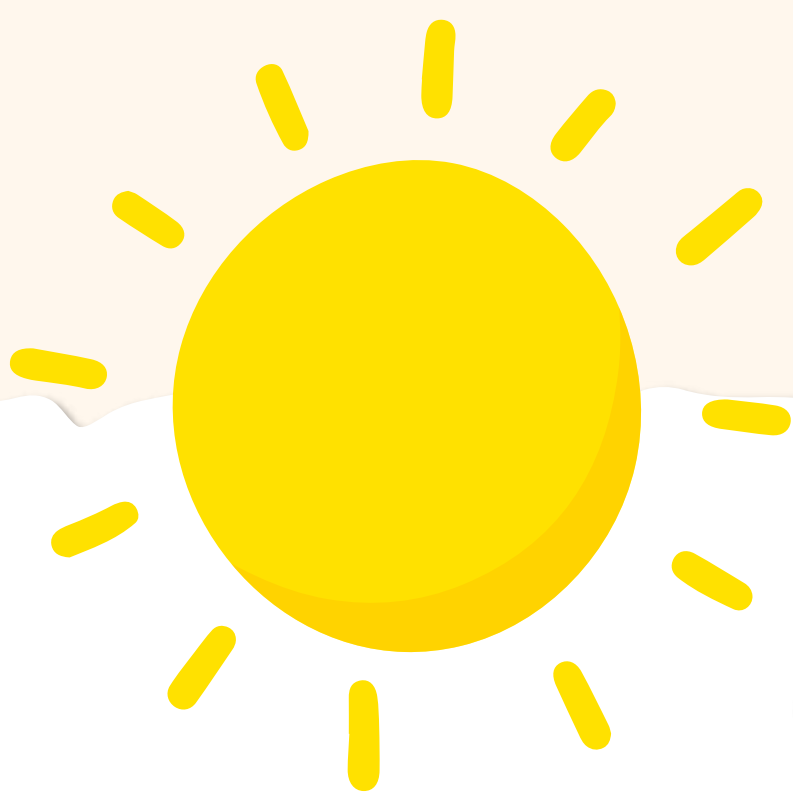
When we asked her about what she would like to take in university, she shared she wanted to pursue a career in beauty or tourism. She has been discussing with education and job orientation specialists to help her make the right choice. But we're just so proud of **Tuyen**, that we let her know we'll support her wherever she'll end up studying: whether it's at nearby Phan Thiet, Saigon, or elsewhere in Southern Vietnam. We know she'll do great because she's a very diligent and responsible child. Someone her siblings can confidently look up to!

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all hands on deck!

Most of the children are entering their tween and teen years. Apart from **Tuyen**, who is 17 years old, **An**, **Tien** and **Tam** are now 13 and 14 years old. Ten of the children are 11 and 12 years old, while **Dung** and **Loan** are both 10 years old.

In line with their growing needs, our local nannies and staff members are all hands on deck to support and mentor them through adolescence.



An is as cheerful as ever ♥

Despite some challenges in middle school on subjects like math and those that require strong memory capabilities, **An** has been doing her best and remains cheerful, happy, and balanced. Her nannies and siblings have been helping her out with her homework in every way they can.

She also has been enjoying a lot of creative activities like reading, drawing, and expressing her creativity thanks to the multiple hand surgeries she underwent that helped her recover part of her fingers. We're happy to see **An** thriving with everyone's help and is growing up to be the person she wants to be.

our support system

raising teenagers is hard work!

Our local nannies are working hard to define the general rules at Mai Nha to ensure the 16 children and the whole family function at their best. We've been doubling down on efforts to keep things orderly like practicing cleanliness in their rooms and living areas, daily shower process, and contribution of each child to the laundry of their clothes.

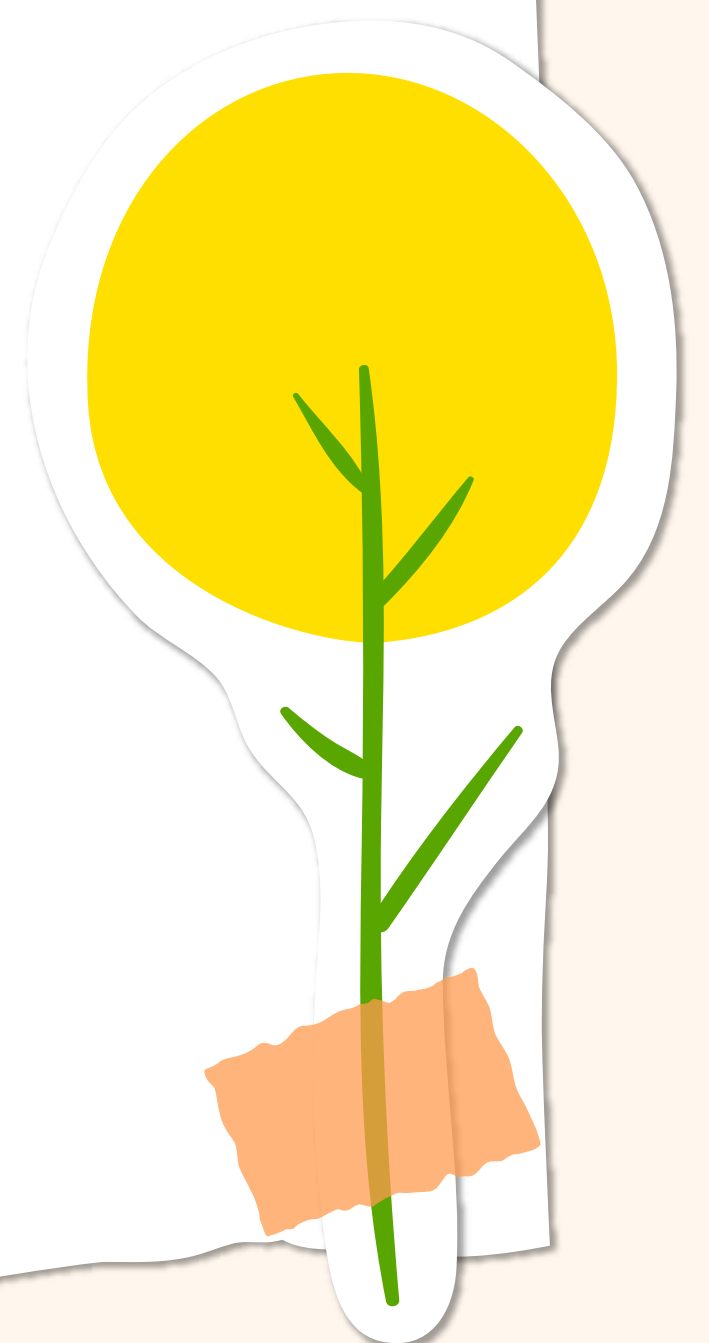
As they enter their teenage years and develop a deeper sense of the world around them, we've also defined basic rules of respect towards their siblings and local staff who have dedicated their time, energy, and love all for their well-being since 12 years ago.



our ever so dependable, Mrs. Lan 💕

We're also very grateful for **Mrs. Lan**, our most senior caretaker, who lives full time with the children at Mai Nha. With her by their side 24/7, we have complete peace of mind knowing the children are safe, cared for and deeply loved.

Thank you, **Mrs. Lan**, for carrying out such an important role with dedication and heart.



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helpful sessions with Mrs. Hoa ♥

Mrs. Hoa, our child psychologist, has been working with the children for more than 10 years now. She has been doing weekly calls and regular visits locally with all the children and staff. She works together with our local nannies and staff to understand each child's unique needs especially now that they're going through physical, mental, and emotional changes.

our loving Mrs. Han ♥

Mrs. Han, our local supervisor for 10 years, plays a crucial role at Mai Nha as she oversees care and support for the children and the rest of the local team. She makes sure that rules are being followed and she provides support for the local staff members when needed, helping them do their best everyday.

Thank you for your hard work, **Mrs. Han!**

their combined care and insights have clearly made a difference as the children are growing up to be happy, confident and well-rounded.



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Weekend Lessons with Mr. Thanh

Mr. Thanh, our maintenance staff, has been teaching many boys at Mai Nha about technical skills. He comes to Mai Nha one day every weekend to teach them about electricity, plumbing, generator maintenance, painting, repairing furniture and fixings.

The boys have been enjoying learning from him so far! We're so grateful for all the time, lessons and skills **Mr. Thanh** has been sharing with the children. The things they learned from these sessions will surely stick with them even when they get older.

they don't stop learning and playing!

The kids continue to take their English courses twice a week at Mai Nha. They understand how important learning this crucial language is and they remain consistent with attending their classes.

They're also very active and play lots of sports! They play soccer at a field nearby and play badminton and basketball at home. During summer, they also enjoy swimming lessons.

reinforcing Mai Nha's mission

We made sure the children know we're always here.

Now that they're older and can fully understand the key foundation of Mai Nha's mission, we've organized a session at the end of our stay with all the 16 children to emphasize two things:

1. We'll always be there for them no matter what.
2. We'll always support them in achieving their full potential in terms of education and their future professional development.

We have a lifelong commitment to these kids. Our goal is simply to see them thrive and succeed in their own life.

We're on the right track.

Our mission is to allow each of the 16 abandoned children to recover as a true family of 16 siblings from the traumatic start of their life. To raise them with optimism, joy, and balance as Vietnamese citizens.

We want to assure them that they will always find support from us, their brothers and sisters they grew up with, and the dedicated, hardworking staff who have been there for them since they were born.



our Mai Nha Christmas

Mai Nha is ready for Christmas! 🎄

Christmas has arrived at Mai Nha and you can feel it in every corner

The children have put up festive decorations in their rooms and the halls, filling it with holiday cheer. These simple moments of working together made the season feel even more special.

We hope this glimpse of Christmas at Mai Nha brings a smile to you! And that you too are enjoying a warm and cozy holidays with your loved ones. ❤️



tap, click or scan
to see our decorations!



Mai Nha's scholarship program

We welcome more university students this year!

For 14 years, Mai Nha's scholarship program has been supporting up to 100 underprivileged children every year in the community of Thien Nghiep. Since our first year, we've granted over 1250 scholarships, mostly to primary and secondary school students.

In fact, over the past several years, we've increased the number of scholarship grants to university level students. Now, 25% of our students are university scholars. In the current school year, we've granted 53 university scholarships in total.



our mentoring program continues ✨

We continue to build momentum created by our mentoring program that is meant to support Saigon based university scholars who need practical coaching from a dedicated senior.

Most of the time, their mentors are from management teams of a Saigon based company, with each one supporting the students all the way through graduation.





Mai Nha's scholarship program

we held a reunion for our graduated scholars!

Our annual gathering of former university scholars was a success! They enjoyed reuniting with their friends as alumni of Mai Nha's scholarship program. They all express deep gratefulness for the financial support they received.

We're also happy to share that many of them are motivated to give back one way or another to the next generation of scholars, which honestly makes us very proud!

we're thinking of more ways to guide them ♥

We continue to think of ways to help our high school scholars get the quality information they need to make informed decisions about their academic next steps: whether it's about pursuing university level education, vocational training, or other specific support programs like English lessons that can equip them with critical advantage, especially that these are useful in the vast tourist area of Mui Ne located close to the village of Thien Nghiep.

from our family to yours

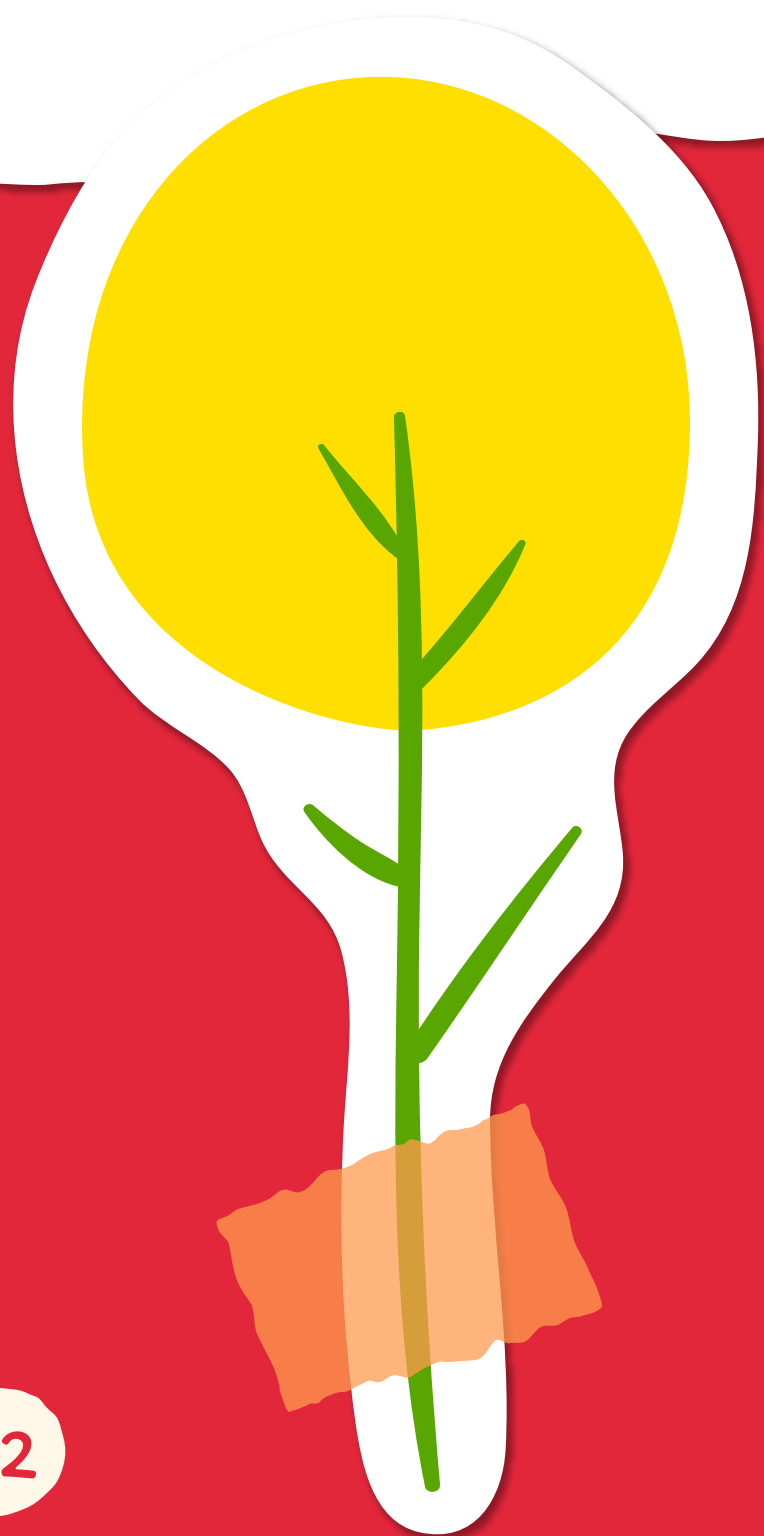
Every year, we continue to feel proud of meeting our annual objectives for both the family homes and our scholarship programs. We're happy to say 2025 is no different.

It's true that Mai Nha makes a real difference to the underprivileged children and students of the community. It has allowed them to live a better life thanks to the unwavering support of their extended Mai Nha family: our financial sponsors and in-kind sponsors who continue to help us in legal, accounting, communication, and child psychology.

We want to express our deepest gratitude to all of you who allow us to continue our long term mission:

- **Support the first generation of 16 orphan children** who need our financial and hands-on support for at least another 10 years before their full independence.
- **Support each year's selection of scholarship students.**
- And last but not the least, **prepare the hosting of the second generation of newborn orphans** that we plan to happen during the summer of 2030, once the first generation of 16 children have been relocated from their existing Mai Nha home to their new family home we plan to build next door within the next 3 years.

Given the seniority and experience of the local team, we expect them to be fully self sufficient (except for funding which the Mai Nha senior leadership team will continue to be in charge of).





from our family to yours

Together with the children, our local staff, and everyone from us here at Mai Nha, we thank you so much from the bottom of our hearts and wish you and your loved ones a wonderful holiday season and a happy new year ahead!

Best regards,

Marc & Pauline Witlox
Co-founder-President & Vice-President
Mai Nha Children Foundation Vietnam

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