



1. Project summary:

Quỹ Mầm Xanh (Green Seed Fund) is a private social initiative supporting disadvantaged students from 3th to 11th grade (as of September 2023) in several rural communes in Tay Ninh Province (22 students), Phu Yen Province (1 student) and Quang Nam province (9 students). The project was initiated by Nguyen Xuan Khanh Hoang Thi Tho (former Teach For Vietnam fellow, teaching in Tay Ninh during school year 2018-2019), and is currently operated by Pham Hoang Mien (former Teach For Vietnam fellow, teaching in Tay Ninh during school year 2018-2019).

Green Seed Fund was originally established in March 2019 as a one-time scholarship to support students whose families were in harsh financial conditions. The scholarship covered health insurance, uniforms, textbooks, school supplies, bicycles, meals and livelihood support.

Since November 2019, we have changed our model to long-term financial support in the form of monthly rice supply together with regular mentoring assistance. Our “mentors” are volunteer students from VietSeeds Scholarship Foundation who visit the Green Seed students every 2 months, to study and play with the students and talk with their parents. Furthermore, since February 2023, we have been providing free online tutoring sessions for the students so that they can catch up with their peers at school. We also work closely with the local Youth Union and the teachers of the schools our students attend to ensure close attention and timely support. In the school year 2019-2020 we supported 17 students, in 2020-2021: 20, in 2021-2022: 23 students, in 2022-2023: 27 students, and in 2023-2024: 32 students. In the last school year, one of our students successfully finished 12th grade and continued vocational training, and one student finished 9th grade and went to Islam school following Cham ethnic tradition in Tay Ninh province.



2. Project objectives:

Our project aims to ensure that the beneficiaries:

- Finish at least 9th grade if they are in primary & secondary school, and 12th grade if they are in high school
- Have a future orientation (going to universities, vocational centers, etc.)
- Are supported with their desired future orientation (introduction to vocational schools, instruction for college scholarship application, etc.)
- Are inspired by the “Pay It Forward” spirit and community services (especially helping their local community), as well as being aware and acting on social issues.

3. List of beneficiaries as of September 2023:

No.	Name	Grade	Ethnicity	Location	Support level
1	Phúc	8	Kinh	Tân Phú, TN	2
2	Hậu	6	Kinh	Tân Phú, TN	
3	Khang	8	Kinh	Tân Phú, TN	2
4	Si Kim	8	Chăm	Tân Phú, TN	3
5	Gia Như	8	Kinh	Tân Phú, TN	2
6	Lắc Nô	9	Khmer	Tân Phú, TN	2
7	Như Ý	6	Kinh	Tân Phú, TN	2
8	Quỳnh Như	9	Kinh	Tân Phú, TN	
9	Tâm	6	Kinh	Tân Phú, TN	1
10	Kiệt	7	Kinh	Tân Phú, TN	2
11	Xuân	6	Kinh	Tân Phú, TN	1
12	Ly Đan	6	Khmer	Tân Phú, TN	2
13	Ka Ri	6	Chăm	Tân Phú, TN	1
14	Thảo	11	Kinh	Suối Dây, TN	2
15	Huyền	11	Kinh	Suối Dây, TN	2
16	Tuấn Anh	9	Kinh	Suối Dây, TN	2
17	Nhung	9	Kinh	Suối Dây, TN	2
18	Nam	7	Kinh	Tân Thành, TN	3
19	Ngân	7	Kinh	Tân Thành, TN	2
20	Kiệt	7	Kinh	Tân Thành, TN	2
21	Luôn	7	Kinh	Tân Thành, TN	2
22	Hoài	8	Kinh	Tân Thành, TN	2
23	Hoàng	3	Kinh	Phú Yên	3
24	Toàn	11	Kinh	Quảng Nam	2
25	Hoàng	9	Kinh	Quảng Nam	2
26	Ny	6	Kinh	Quảng Nam	2
27	Chiến	9	Kinh	Quảng Nam	
28	Na	9	Kinh	Quảng Nam	2
29	Thảo	11	Kinh	Quảng Nam	3
30	Trí	10	Kinh	Quảng Nam	3
31	Đạt	7	Kinh	Quảng Nam	3
32	Nhi	8	Kinh	Quảng Nam	2

* TN: Tay Ninh

** Financial support levels:

- level 1: basic study expenses at the beginning of the school year (VND1,500,000 for primary & lower secondary students; VND1,900,000 for upper secondary students);
- level 2: basic study expenses + 10kg of rice / month (VND150,000 / month);
- level 3: basic study expenses + 20kg of rice / month (VND300,000 / month).

4. Project personnel:

- Pham Hoang Mien: Manager and coordinator
- Coordinators in Quang Nam Province: Teach For Vietnam's fellows teaching in Que Son
- Coordinators in Tay Ninh Province: Representatives of Tan Phu Youth Union and teachers of Suoi Day Secondary School and Dong Rum Secondary School
- Volunteers: 19 students from Vietseed Scholarship Foundation studying in HCMC

5. Implementation model consists of 4 main components:

(1) Financial support including:

- Basic study expenses: at the beginning of the school year: VND1,500,000 for primary & lower secondary students; VND1,900,000 for upper secondary students; VND100,000 for students changing education level; VND100,000 for those changing their textbook sets
- Monthly rice supply (10kg/month or 20kg/month) depending on family conditions according to Green Seed Fund's assessment
- Livelihood & other support: ad-hoc support on a case-by-case basis, arising during the home visits and conversations with the families.

(2) Mentoring support through volunteers' (bi)monthly home visits:

- Volunteers are VietSeeds' scholarship students attending universities in HCMC, with their own background as underprivileged students overcoming difficulties to pursue higher study
- Volunteers are divided into groups of 2-3, each supporting 2-4 Green Seed students; the volunteers will pay (bi)monthly visits to the supported families in order to address any issues in time while encouraging and supporting the students emotionally as well as instructing them on study methods and future direction

(3) On-the-spot support via the local Youth Union and teachers of the local schools

- The local Youth Union and school teachers closely follow study process of the supported students to provide timely encouragement and on-site support
- Teach For Vietnam fellows in Quang Nam visit and keep in touch with students and families

(4) Free online tutoring sessions: new support, since February 2023:

- Subjects: Math, English, Chemistry, to help students catch up with their peers at school.
- Tutors provide 1.5hr/session/week for each subject, each group of 2-4 students, payment VND100,000/session.

6. Estimated expenses for the school year of 2021-2022:

Expenses	Amount (VND)	Quantity	Months	Total (VND)
Fixed expenditure for primary & lower-secondary students	1,500,000	27	1	40,500,000
Fixed expenditure for upper-secondary students	1,900,000	5	1	9,500,000
Additional support for students changing their education levels	100,000	8	1	800,000
Additional support for students changing their textbook set	100,000	10	1	1,000,000
Rice support level 2 (10 kilos per month)	150,000	20	12	36,000,000
Rice support level 3 (20 kilos per month)	300,000	6	12	21,600,000
Online tutoring fees (VND100,000/session)	100,000	70	12	84,000,000
Transportation for volunteers' home visits and students' gifts	250,000	19	6	28,500,000
10% contingency				22,190,000
TOTAL EXPENSES				244,090,000

* The project is implemented totally on a voluntary basis. All operation efforts and management costs are on the project team. The entire donations are spent solely on the sponsored students.

7. Bank account to receive donations and forms of support:

Account name: PHAM HOANG MIEN
Account number: 0181003654022
Bank: Vietcombank, Nam Sai Gon branch

Forms of donation:

- One-time support
- Periodical support to the entire fund, or to one / several specific students (please contact the project coordinator for details)

Donations & expenses are recorded on a real-time basis here: <http://bit.ly/2sEBtZo>

8. Contact:

Mien: phamhoangmien@gmail.com

Project info: <https://phamhoangmien.com/quy-mam-xanh-green-seed-fund/>

Project's Facebook album:

<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?vanity=phamhoangmien&set=a.10159757861865982>

NOTICE: Coordinator Pham Hoang Mien is held responsible for all project activities and information. The project is personal and not influenced by any organizations. Please contact the above email directly for original information.

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