

Operation Healthy Heart

| OHH Report | | |
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| Reporting Period: From: January 1, 2007 To: March 31, 2007 | Grant Number: N/A | Project Name and Location: Operation Healthy Heart (OHH) provides support in the central provinces from Phu Yen to Nghe An, six southern provinces (HCHC, Binh Duong, Dong Nai, Long An, Ba Ria-Vung Tau, and Binh Thuan) and two northern provinces (Ha Noi and Thai Nguyen) |
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Along with carrying out the regular activities of the program, in the first quarter of 2007 OHH has implemented activities to build a foundation for OHH on a national scale.

I. Activities

a. Supporting cardiac patients

Number of patients supported

| Province | Received | Surgeries/ Interventions funded | Hospitalization funded | Waiting |
|------------------|----------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------|
| Ho Chi Minh City | 12 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Dong Nai | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Long An | 18 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Ba Ria-Vung Tau | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Binh Duong | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Binh Thuan | 32 | 0 | 0 | 32 |
| Phu Yen | 29 | 1 | 1 | 27 |
| Binh Dinh | 30 | 1 | 9 | 20 |
| Quang Ngai | 20 | 5 | 6 | 9 |
| Quang Nam | 59 | 16 | 7 | 36 |
| Da Nang | 20 | 7 | 1 | 12 |
| Thua Thien Hue | 20 | 0 | 6 | 14 |
| Quang Tri | 17 | 1 | 9 | 7 |
| Quang Binh | 12 | 1 | 3 | 8 |

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| Nghe An | 13 | 0 | 5 | 8 |
| Ha Noi | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| Thai Nguyen | 10 | 1 | 0 | 9 |
| Total | 300 | 34 | 47 | 219 |

b. Other tasks

- i. Signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Ho Chi Minh City (HCMC) Sponsoring Association for Poor Patients (SAPP) for cooperation in life-saving assistance to poor children from the five central provinces (Da Nang, Quang Nam, Quang Ngai, Binh Dinh, and Phu Yen) and the six southern provinces/cities (Binh Thuan, Ba Ria-Vung Tau, Ho Chi Minh City, Binh Duong, Dong Nai, and Long An).
- ii. OHH also signed a MOU with Hanoi Heart Hospital for supporting children under six years of age from Hanoi.
- iii. The OHH staff (four full-time and two part-time) received training on February 11, 2007 on OHH implementation processes, patient home assessments, and partnership cooperation.
- iv. Organized OHH staff meeting on February 8, 2007 to discuss the OHH work plan in the first six months of 2007 based on evaluations and learning experiences from OHH activities in the last six months of 2006.
- v. OHH staff from all offices (north, central, and south) received patients' dossiers from partners and conducted home assessments.
 1. OHH HCMC received 45 dossiers from SAPP HCMC and Committees on Population, Family and Children (CPFCs) and visited seven patients' families. This resulted in the support of five HCMC cardiac cases in cooperation with SAPP HCMC.
 2. OHH Ha Noi received 12 patients' dossiers. After doing home assessments, they provided funding for one case.
 3. OHH Da Nang received 250 patient dossiers and supported 79 children.
- vi. Met and worked with the provincial CPFCs in the south and north, where OHH expanded to the provinces / cities of Ha Noi, Binh Thuan, Long An, Ho Chi Minh City, Dong Nai, Ba Ria-Vung Tau, and Binh Duong.
- vii. Signed a contract with the new OHH software programmer to manage OHH data. OHH is currently speeding up the process.
- viii. Provided assistance to the fundraising team
 1. Assisted in preparation of two AIG events in HCMC and in Da Nang, including planning, arranging gifts, preparing letters to CPFCs and patients' families, preparing list of invitees, sending out invitations, ordering lunch, and organizing the entertainment.
 2. OHH HCMC provided the fundraising team in HCMC with three biosheets.
 3. OHH Danang provided the fundraising team in Oakland with eight biosheets.

II. Case Study/ Narrative:

Name: Do Thi Long

DOB: 1989

Address: Tam Xuan II Ward, Nui Thanh District, Quang Nam Province

o Thi Long is an orphan who suffers from a congenital heart defect. Long's mother passed away when she was involved in a motorbike accident on her way to the market to sell fish. Four months later, Long's father passed away for still-unknown reasons. Those familiar with the situation speculate that he died from the grief of losing his wife and the stress from his family's economic burden. With both parents gone, Long's younger brother had to drop out of school in 9th grade to earn money to support himself and his ill sister.

After her father's death, Long's heart condition deteriorated and she was taken by her aunt to Hue Central Hospital to be examined. There, doctors recommended that she receive surgery to replace two heart valves, an operation that would cost VND 60,000,000 (\$3,750 USD). This operation, while vital for Long's survival, is too costly for her family to afford, and they turned to East Meets West and Operation Healthy Heart for support.

An individual donor was moved by Long's situation and contributed \$2,563 USD (VND 41,000,000) towards the cost of her surgery. EMW decided to contribute \$625 USD (VND 10,000,000) and contacted with the Assembly of God (AOG) for an additional contribution of \$563 (VND 9,000,000).

Long was operated on at Hue Central Hospital and returned home in good health and high spirits. She can now live a healthy life and is already planning her future.

II. Partnerships

a. Funding Counterparts

| Counterpart | Type of collaboration | Amount of Funding Provided Quarter 1, 2007 (USD) |
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| Committee for Population, Families and Children (CPFC) in Ho Chi Minh City, Dong Nai, Binh Duong, Ba Ria-Vung Tau, Binh Thuan, Phu Yen, Binh Dinh, Quang Ngai, Quang Nam, Da Nang, Thua Thien Hue, Quang Tri, Quang Binh, Nghe An, Ha Noi, and Thai Nguyen provinces | - Provide application dossiers and partially defray the surgery cost for patients. | CPFC - Phu Yen: \$499.56 CPFC-Quang Ngai:\$2,810.04 CPFC - Quang Nam: \$7,367.72 Total: \$10,677.32 |
| Da Nang Sponsoring Association for Poor Patients (Da Nang SAPP) | - Continue maintaining good cooperation and sharing of surgical costs with OHH. | \$2,747.08 |
| Office of Genetic Counseling and Disabled Children (OGCDC) | - Providing patient dossiers, sharing surgery cost for OHH patients, and assisting in hospital arrangements in all central provinces. | \$499.56 |
| Assembly of God World Relief in Australia (Da Nang) (AOG) | Share surgery costs | \$10,057.75 |
| South-East Asian Relief Inc. (SEAR) | Share surgery costs | \$748.92 |

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| Children of Vietnam (COVN) | Share surgery costs | \$2,312.92 |
| Patients' families and relatives | Share surgery costs | \$8,677.48 |
| | Total | \$35,721.03 |

b. Hospitals

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| Da Nang General Hospital | Performed 17 open-heart surgeries and seven interventions for OHH clients. |
| Hue Central Hospital | Performed seven open-heart surgeries for OHH clients. |
| Viet-Duc Hospital | Performed one closed heart surgery for one OHH client. |
| Trieu An Hospital | Performed open-heart surgery for one OHH client. This case was too serious and patient was too young to be operated on in other hospitals. |
| Tam Duc Heart Hospital | Continue to receive OHH clients. |
| Vietnam National Heart Institute | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue receiving OHH clients. • Support surgical costs for OHH kids under-six and introduce poor heart children to OHH in OHH areas. |
| Ha Noi Heart Hospital | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide free heart surgery for children under six. • Identify poor cardiac children who need OHH support. |

III. Project Specifications

a. Key local partners—Provincial CPFCs

i. Key services provided

| Funded Item | # of cases | Amount Spent (in USD) |
|---|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Surgery | 28 | \$12,366.33 |
| Other (exams, transportation, medicine, and food) | 6 | \$683.79 |
| Total | 34 | \$13,050.12 |

IV. Financial Summary

| Province | Amount Budgeted | Amount Spent in Quarter 1 (USD) |
|------------------|------------------------|--|
| Ho Chi Minh City | \$10,000 | 0 |
| Dong Nai | \$5,000 | 0 |
| Long An | \$5,000 | 0 |
| Ba Ria-Vung Tau | \$5,000 | 0 |
| Binh Duong | \$5,000 | 0 |
| Binh Thuan | \$5,000 | 0 |
| Phu Yen | \$10,000 | \$312.23 |
| Binh Dinh | \$15,000 | \$624.45 |

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| Quang Ngai | \$15,000 | \$2,810.04 |
| Quang Nam | \$35,000 | \$5,463.80 |
| Da Nang | \$25,000 | \$2,747.16 |
| Thua Thien Hue | \$20,000 | 0 |
| Quang Tri | \$15,000 | \$374.22 |
| Quang Binh | \$10,000 | \$312.23 |
| Nghe An | \$10,000 | 0 |
| Ha Noi | \$5,000 | \$93.67 |
| Thai Nguyen | \$5,000 | \$312.32 |
| Total | \$200,000 | \$13,050.12 |

V. Plans for Quarter 2, 2007

- a. Complete the OHH software that will aid the staff in managing the program.
- b. Carry out the hospitalization support plan for heart children in Ha Noi and the south for their heart surgeries / interventions.
- c. Increase the number of heart cases in the central region to be hospitalized for heart surgeries / interventions.
- d. Continue cooperating with the provincial CPFCs in Binh Duong, Dong Nai, and Long An to identify patients.
- e. Increase the number of surgeries in Ha Noi and the south.

VI. Photos



Tran Anh Tuan, age 4
Post heart procedure
(December 21, 2006)



Dang Ngoc Vu, age 2
Post heart surgery
(March 8, 2007)



Bui Thi My Dung, age 16
Post heart surgery
(January 8, 2007)



Vo Phuoc Dien, age 5
Post heart surgery
(March 8, 2007)