

ANH DUONG CENTER

ACTIVITY REPORT

YEAR 2023



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1. ABOUT OUR ORGANIZATION

- Anh Duong Community Development and Support Center (Anh Duong means “Sun Ray”) is a Vietnamese non-profit organization aiming to help the poverty households improving their economic and life standards. It was founded in 2008 by the Vietnamese team of Mekong Plus and was registered by VUSTA (Vietnam Union of Scientific and Technology Association) in 2008.
- Currently, we carry out the projects in 3 districts (Long My, Phung Hiep and Vi Thuy) and Long My Township of Hau Giang Province.



OUR TEAM

❖ We are a team of Vietnamese individuals with expertise in agriculture, aquaculture, health, microloans, and social work. Our diverse skills enable us to implement various valuable projects tailored to the needs of different communities. Our highly motivated staff focuses on helping the poor through sustainable development and self-help initiatives.

❖ Ánh Dương consists of 17 staff members and 50 part-time village workers who reside and work within the villages, effectively mobilizing community efforts to support the people, especially the extremely poor.



2. OUR MISSION, VISION AND VALUES

Mission

We eliminate poverty through a participatory and collaborative approach in which poor and marginalized people and communities are at the center of tackling the most significant development challenges in Hau Giang, Mekong Delta, Vietnam.

Vision

We envision a future where people living in villages in Hau Giang have all the resources needed to make a good life for themselves and build healthy, resilient, and vibrant communities.

Values

We believe in people. By engaging in a participatory and collaborative approach, we find effective human-centered solutions to some of the most pressing challenges of development.



3. HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE YEAR

In the past year, Anh Duong's team received personal funding of 10 million VND from Mr. Bernard Kervyn and contributed an additional 10 million VND to establish small-scale agriculture and livestock farming near Anh Duong's office. To date, the team has sustained over 5 vegetable crops, 2 chicken batches, and 1 fish batch. Additionally, this serves as a small-scale pilot model for visitors who lack time.



3. HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE YEAR (CONT.)



Additionally, over 300 essential gift packages were provided at 500,000 VND per package, supporting 60 monthly scholarships and distributing 25 bicycles to elementary and secondary school students in Anh Duong's operational areas.

3. HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE YEAR (CONT.)

Fundraising through Facebook, Zalo, website, and individual organizations to promptly support 4 cases of cancer treatment for elementary school students, with each case receiving from 12-20 million VND.



3. HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE YEAR (CONT.)

Anh Duong welcomed nearly 200 domestic and international visitors to visit the project and they contributed nearly 500 million VND.



3. HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE YEAR (CONT.)

Anh Duong supported a library of books on life skills, ethics, and science for Chiem Thanh Tan Secondary School with over 6 million VND.



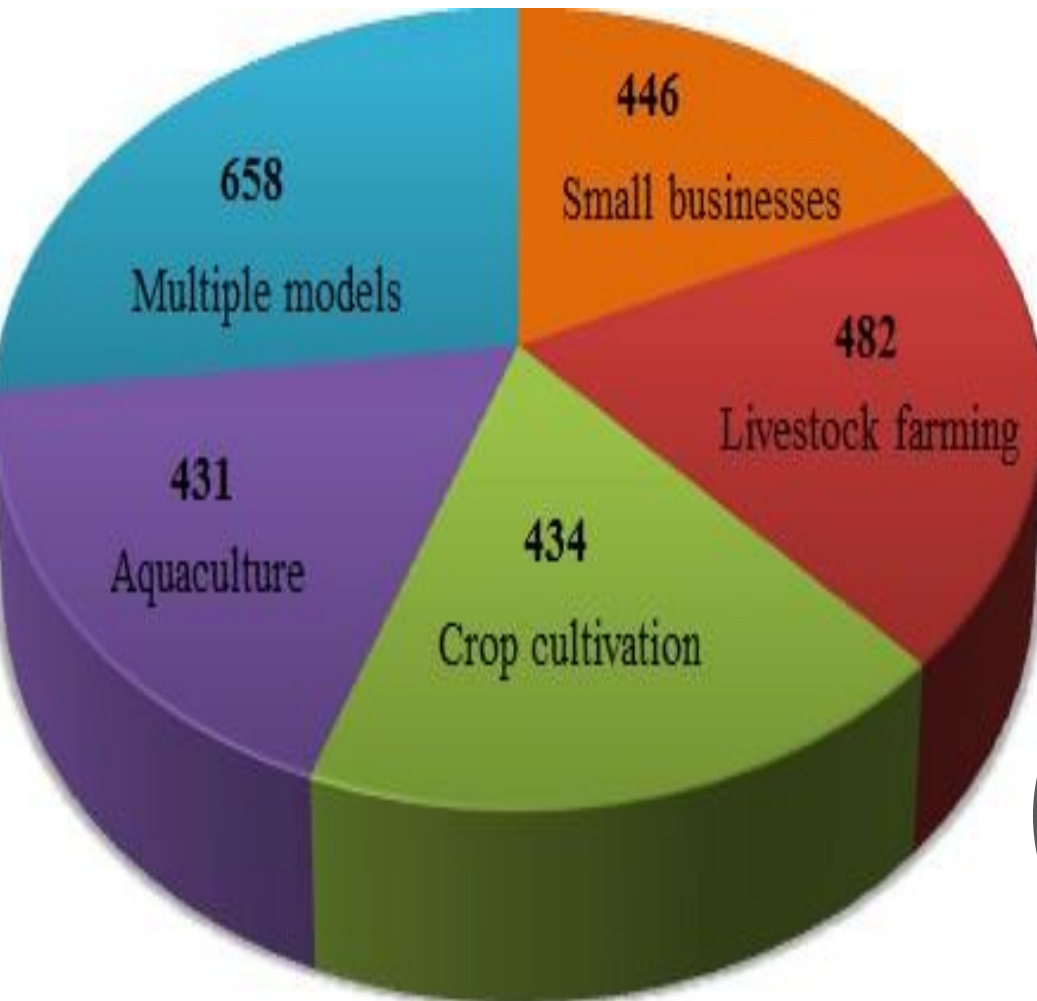
4. OUR PROGRAM: MICROCREDIT

- The program provides interest-free microloans ranging from 125\$ to 400\$ to 2.451 disadvantaged families needing economic development support.

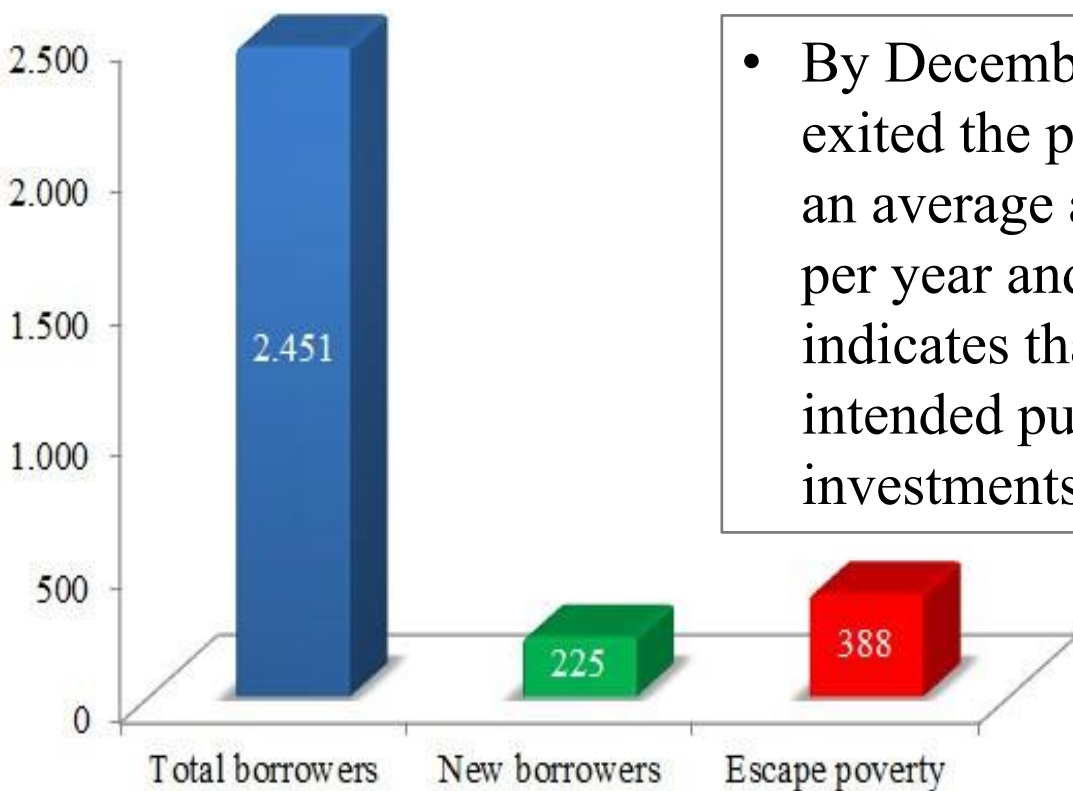


4. OUR PROGRAM: MICROCREDIT (CONT.)

- With 446 borrowed for small businesses, 482 for livestock farming, 434 for crop cultivation, 431 for aquaculture, and 658 for multiple models.



4. OUR PROGRAM: MICROCREDIT (CONT.)



- By December 2023, 388 families had exited the program with stable income and an average annual income increase of 25% per year and with a 99% refund rate, it indicates that they utilize microcredit for its intended purpose and allocate their investments effectively.

2,451

Households supported
with microfinance

99%

Annual refund rate

25%

Average increase in monthly
incomes after 1 year

5. OUR PROGRAM: EDUCATION AND TRAINING

5.1. DENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM

- The Anh Duong Center runs the Dental Health program to improve students' knowledge of dental and general health, encouraging self-care and oral hygiene. In the 2022-2023 school year, the program reached 4,132 students across 16 schools.
- The goal is to enhance health knowledge and protective behaviors, with students averaging a score of 7.75/10. They have learned proper teeth brushing techniques and good personal hygiene habits, and most schools now use bottled water and filters for better health.
- Teachers' instructional methods received a high score of 88.67%.



5.2. INCLUSIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

- The program supports children with disabilities and learning difficulties aged 6 to 15, aiming to help them integrate into their families and communities.
- In the 2022-2023 school year, the program implemented in 3 primary schools: Hoa An 1, Hoa An 2, and Hiep Hung 1 primary schools, supporting 31 children with disabilities. These children showed academic progress and gained confidence and development.



5.3. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



- In order to help very poor students avoiding dropping out of school and to foster a spirit of mutual support among students from a young age, every year at the beginning of the school year, Anh Duong collaborates with various organizations, the Department of Education, and the Study Promotion Association of Long Mỹ Town, Long Mỹ District, Phụng Hiệp District, and Vị Thủy District to organize a "Scholarship Day" at schools within Anh Duong's project areas. The event is conducted in the form of a "Solidarity Run" and "Plastic Collection" to raise funds and highlight the significance of the program.
- Schools will hold ceremonies to explain the significance of Scholarship Day and have students participate in the solidarity Run to support the event.

5.3 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (CONT.)

- Based on the results of the Scholarship Day at each school, Anh Duong has awarded scholarships accordingly. In the 2023-2024 academic year, the Anh Duong Center has awarded:
- 1,547 scholarships to primary, secondary, and high school students. Each scholarship is valued at 500,000 VND for primary and secondary students, and 1 million VND for high school students.
- Additionally, Anh Duong provides monthly scholarships to 69 students in particularly difficult circumstances, ranging from 200,000 to 500,000 VND per student each month.
- To support students with transportation to school, TTAD has also provided 26 bicycles to disadvantaged students, each valued at 1,500,000 VND.



5.4 SEX EDUCATION & LIFE SKILLS

- This program aims to equip students with essential life skills and sex education, helping them navigate adolescence and recognize potential risks. In the 2022-2023 school year, the program benefited 4,267 students across 7 schools. All teachers from the 7 participating secondary schools received training from the Anh Duong Center on "Sexual Education, Life Skills, and Conflict Management Skills" to educate students in grades 6, 7, and 8.



5.5 COMPUTER PROGRAM



- To facilitate access to information technology for students in remote areas, Anh Duong annually supports Computer Centers for primary and secondary schools within its operating area.
- In 2023, Anh Duong supported three computer centers at Vị Thủy secondary School, Vĩnh Trung 5 Primary School, and Vị Bình 2 Primary School. Each school received 15 computer sets, with Anh Duong providing 10 and the schools contributes with 5.
- Currently, Anh Duong continues to monitor 5 computer centers, with 30 computer sets and 1,548 students practicing twice a week.

5.5 GENDER EQUALITY AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- Aiming to improve the capacity of rural women on gender equality in the family and community, the Women's Union is an implementing and coordinating partner with Anh Duong.
- There are some activities as follows:
 - + Training to improve the capacity of the core group has 16 people, with about 144 group members.
 - + Organized 24 training sessions with 394 participants.
 - + Organized a legal aid with 150 participants learning about law.
- Organize a drama competition on gender equality to spread the impact of the program



5.6 AGRICULTURAL TRAINING

- The Anh Duong Center engaged the community on 25 agricultural training sessions in 2023, provided 380 phone advices. With over 30,290 messages sent, their messaging efforts resulted in response rates of 25% via SMS and 45% on Zalo.
- Also, truthful agricultural knowledge was found by more than 80% of participating households. These programs successfully improved farming methods and means of subsistence, promoting sustainability in the project areas.



6. OUR PROGRAM: ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES



- Environmental pollution is a significant concern for society as a whole. To contribute to reducing the risk of environmental pollution, during the academic year 2023-2024, the Anh Duong Center collaborated with the Education Departments to implement the "Plastic Waste Collection at Schools" program.
- In the academic year 2023-2024, the Anh Duong Center, in collaboration with the Education Department of Long My Town and Long My District, initiated a scholarship program involving the collection of plastic waste.

6. OUR PROGRAM: ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES (CONT.)

- A total of 3,021 kg of plastic waste was collected from schools and communities. 100 sets of desks were produced for students, for 05 schools (20 sets per school). The plan from January to February 2024 is to distribute to 04 more classrooms, with each classroom receiving 20 sets of desks and chairs (32,560,000 VND per classroom), thus recycling 500 kg of plastic waste per classroom.
- Furthermore, Anh Duong also supports houses with recycled plastic panels. In doing so, each recycled plastic house has consumed 1,2 tons of plastic waste. This year, Anh Duong has supported 15 houses with recycled plastic panels, providing each house with 12-15million VND in support.



7. OUR PROGRAM: INFRASTRUCTURE

7.1 BRIDGE AND ROAD SUPPORT



- This program aims to contribute with the locality in rural transport work, local socio-economic development, creating safe conditions for students in remote areas to go to school as well as create favorable conditions for students in remote areas to go to school. So that poor households in the project area have better living conditions.
- Bridge - Concrete Road: By October 2023, Anh Duong has implemented 1km of road and 1 bridge in Vinh Thuan Dong commune.

7.2 HOME SUPPORT

- With the purpose of taking care of poor households in the district with shelter from the rain and sun, so that households can focus on productive labor to increase family income and take care of their children's education.
- By December 2023, Anh Duong has coordinated with the local government to support the construction of 56 houses, with each house Anh Duong supporting 10,000,000 - 12,000,000 VND.



ORGANIZATION CHART

**Ms.Ho Thi Kim Chuc
(Anh Duong Director)**

**Ms.Lam Thu Sang
(Fundraising, Head of project development)**

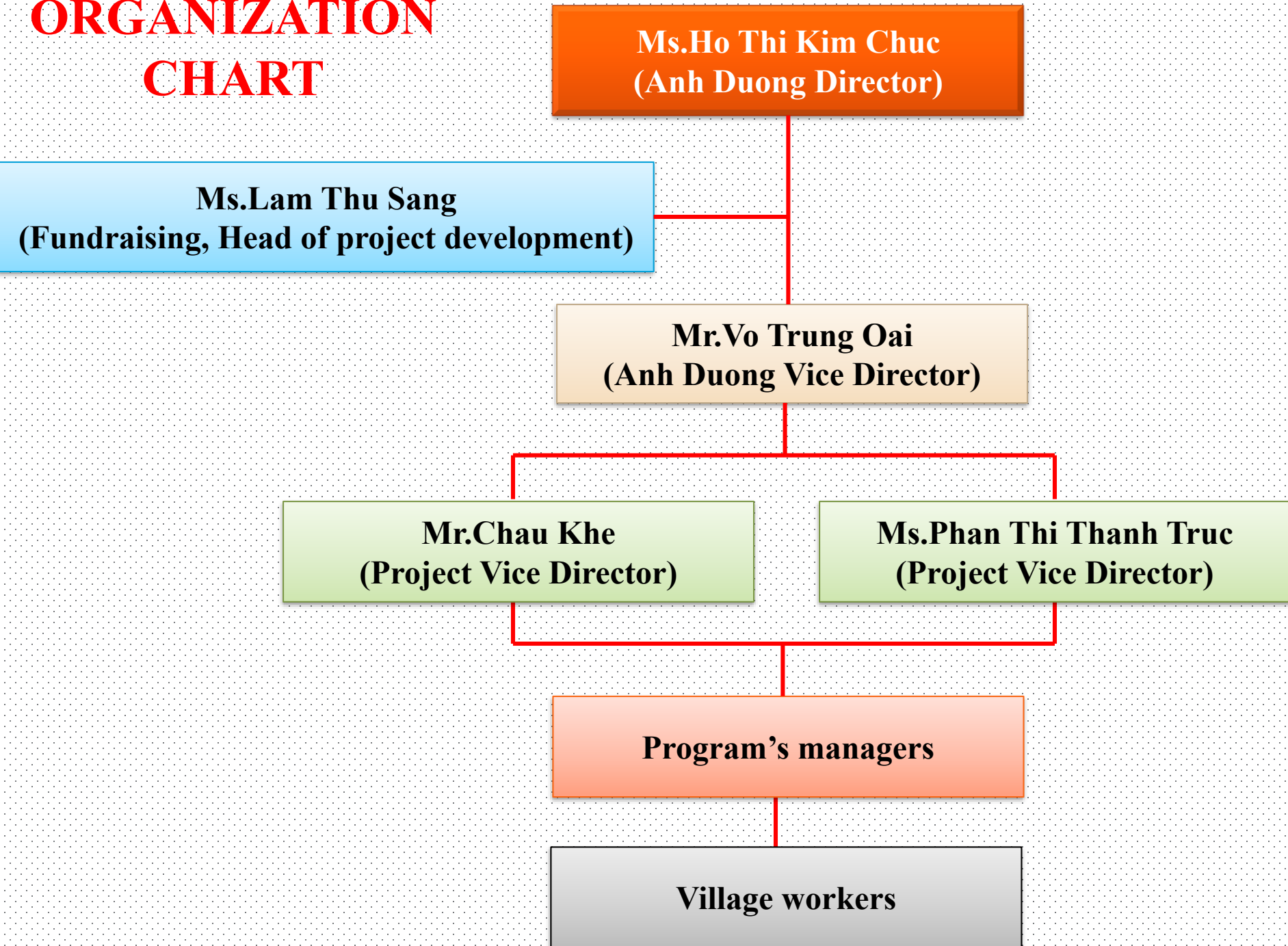
**Mr.Vo Trung Oai
(Anh Duong Vice Director)**

**Mr.Chau Khe
(Project Vice Director)**

**Ms.Phan Thi Thanh Truc
(Project Vice Director)**

Program's managers

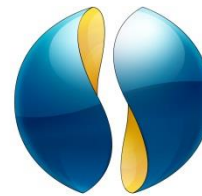
Village workers



8. OUR SPONSORS



DRAGON CAPITAL



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PVI (SANDRA)

GIVE.ASIA

INDIVIDUALS

EZLAND

NEXT VIA MEKONG PLUS

FUTURE 21, VIA MEKONG PLUS



9. OUR ADVISORS

MSc. Nguyễn Thị Kim Nguyệt

- Independent Consultant

MSc. Nguyễn Văn Ngẫu

- Vice Director, Hậu Giang VUSTA

Mr. Nguyễn Văn Thân

- Director, Thiện Chí Center

Mr. Bernard Kervyn

- Mekong Plus's Country Director

PhD. Trần Thiện Khánh

- Van Lang University, Ho Chi Minh City

Mr. Tài Đại Thành

- Former Director, Ánh Dương

10. OUR PARTNERS



THIEN CHI CENTER FOR COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND DEVELOPMENT (THIỆN CHÍ CENTER)

Locating in Ninh Thuan, Binh Thuan Province, Vietnam

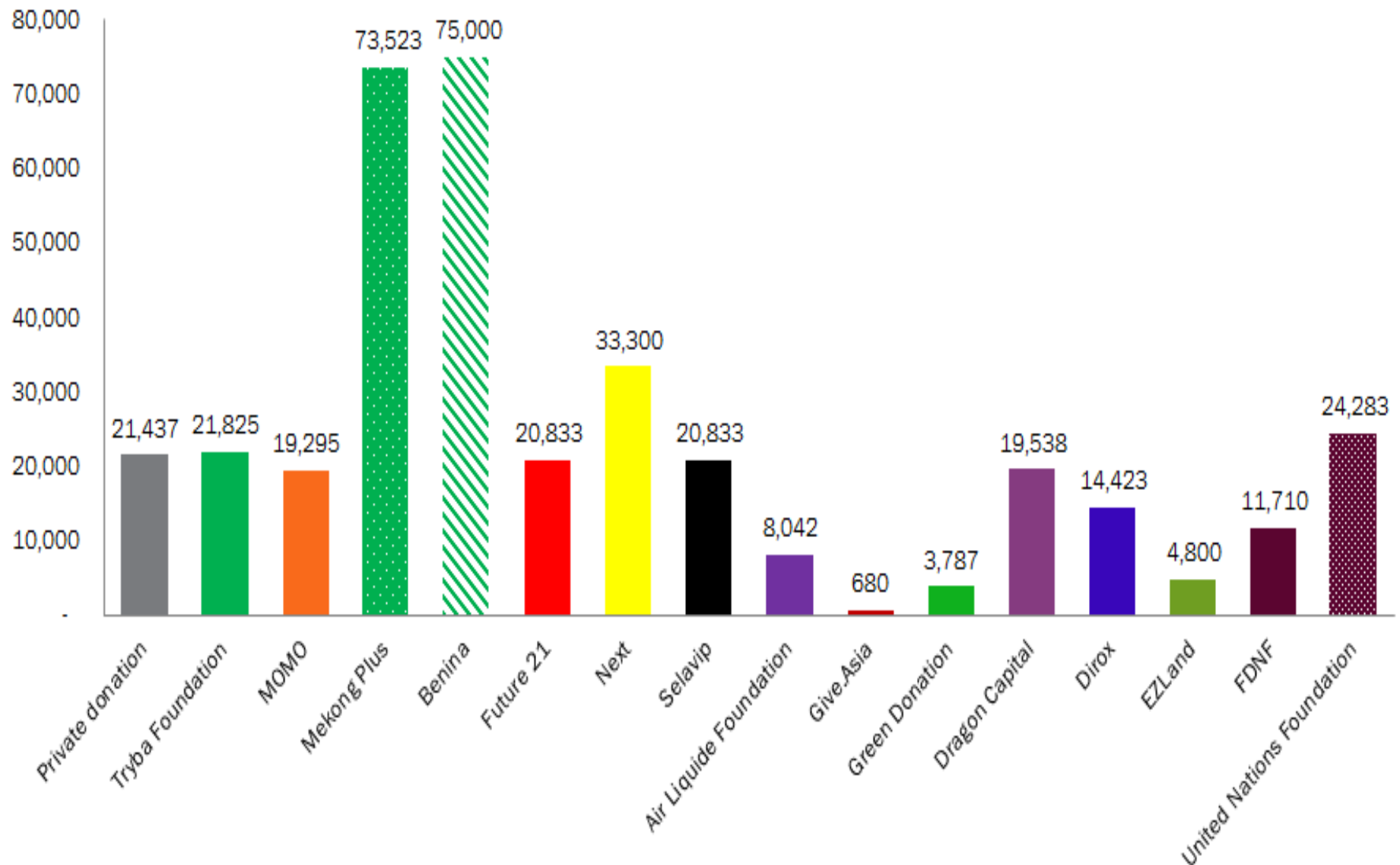


COMMUNITY ADVANCEMENT ORGANIZATION (CAO)

Locating in Svay Rieng, Cambodia

The board of directors of the three organizations Thien Chi Center, Anh Duong Center, and CAO always meet monthly online to discuss ongoing issues, and outline solutions to encountered problems, aiming to get from experience and build a governance system that is rich in experience and stronger organizationally.

11. BUDGET 2023: 373.310 USD



12. PLAN: 2024 - 2028

12.1 BUDGET 402,917 \$/YEAR

NO.	Activities	Budget (VNĐ)	Budget (USD)
1	Microcredit	2,500,000,000	104,167
2	Health dental & Eyesight Screening Program	420,000,000	17,500
4	Sexual education and life skills program	300,000,000	12,500
5	Scholarship program	1,500,000,000	62,500
6	Agriculture	150,000,000	6,250
7	Environment program	50,000,000	2,083
8	Employment and housing support	2,000,000,000	83,333
9	Recycled plastic waste program	400,000,000	16,667
10	Training and coaching program	150,000,000	6,250
11	Management cost	2,200,000,000	91,667
Total		9,670,000,000	402,917

12.2 PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLAN

1. Finding Funding Sources:

- Establish partnerships with non-governmental organizations, social enterprises, and wealthy individuals to seek funding.
- Organize fundraising events and promotional campaigns to attract supporters.

2. Expanding Microfinance Program:

- Enhance promotion and community education about the benefits of microfinance.
- Develop training programs and provide advice to households on personal financial management and small business operations.

3. Enhancing Capacity for the Team:

- Organize online English courses and activities to enhance project management skills.
- Provide opportunities for staff to participate in practical projects and share experiences with other projects.

12.2 PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLAN (CONT.)

4. Promoting Transparency and Strengthening Monitoring:

- Establish clear and transparent reporting mechanisms on resource utilization.
- Conduct regular checks and evaluations to ensure compliance and effectiveness.

5. Innovation and Creativity:

- Organize direct meetings with sponsors to exchange experiences and learning.
- Collaborate with businesses and local communities to develop new solutions for poverty alleviation, hunger reduction, and environmental protection.

12.2 PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLAN (CONT.)

6. Recycled plastic waste Program:

- Build a network for collecting nylon from the community and schools.
- Promote waste recycling and the production of plastic desks and chairs for schools.

7. Staff and Leadership Training:

- Organize training courses on project management, effective communication, leadership, and English language.
- Encourage personal development and enhance the capacity of all team members

13. THANK YOU

To all the people: donors, cyclists, supporters, partners, volunteers who have, always and will accompany with Anh Duong for a better world in our projects.

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