

PEACETREES VIETNAM: 15th Anniversary Project

Honoring the Cheney Family Legacy of Service Kindergarten, Library, and Soccer Field

PeaceTrees Vietnam was founded in 1995 immediately following the normalization of diplomatic relations between Vietnam and the United States to address the complex, lingering impact of war. Our work focuses on Quang Tri Province, where more than 10,800 people have been killed or maimed by landmines and unexploded ordnance since 1975. In one out of every five cases, the victim is a child.

TRANSFORMATION

PeaceTrees Vietnam is celebrating 15 years of working alongside the Vietnamese people to promote a safe and healthy future for the children of Quang Tri province.

HOPE

Perhaps the most poignant of PeaceTrees projects are its kindergartens and libraries built in honor of those veterans who have given their lives in service. These are built with the direct help and sponsorship from US citizens, families and service organizations wishing to honor veterans and benefit the Quang Tri community for many generations.

COMMITMENT

"Those of us who are Vietnam veterans are committed to healing the scars of war - scars endured by the people of Vietnam, and ours as well. There is no better way to heal than to 'give back' in memory of those who made the ultimate sacrifice and in the process bring hope and opportunity to the children of Vietnam."

Karl Ege, USMC Vietnam Veteran and Long-time supporter of PeaceTrees



Clockwise: Children in A Xing. Mike Fey planting trees in Khe Sanh. Karl Ege at Friendship Village Kindergarten.

LEGACY: Le Hang Village, LAO BAO, QUANG TRI PROVINCE, VIETNAM

The Dan Cheney Kindergarten

PeaceTrees Vietnam was founded in loving memory of Daniel Cheney, a US Army helicopter pilot who died in the Vietnam War in 1969. With their inspiration to turn sorrow into service, Daniel's sister, Jerilyn Brusseau, and mother, Rae Cheney, have invested the past 15 years working with PeaceTrees Vietnam to build cooperation with the Vietnamese people and heal the emotional and environmental wounds of the war.

The proposed Dan Cheney Kindergarten will serve as a tangible landmark of the intention to invest in a safe and healthy future for the children of Vietnam.

The cost of the Kindergarten is \$25,000; which includes the physical building/structure, adjacent playground, a fence, administrative fees, and ongoing support.

The Mothers' Peace Library

The Mothers' Peace Library is being built in appreciation of all the American and Vietnamese mothers who lost their sons and daughters during the war. Rae Cheney, a Gold Star Mother herself, has experienced the profound transformation from anger and pain to healing and service.

The Mothers' Peace Library will serve as a reminder of the incredible depth of understanding and compassion needed to reverse the consequences of war.

"It is the peace between the Mothers that is the most important peace of all."

Ambassador Le Van Bang

The cost of the Library is \$25,000; which includes the building of the library, a soccer field, the adjacent playground, a fence, administrative fees, and ongoing support.

Join PeaceTrees Vietnam in celebrating 15 years of reversing the consequences of war.

Your gift today brings hope for tomorrow.

Please call 206-441-6136 or visit our website www.peacetreesvietnam.org.

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