



PeaceTrees VietNam

Healing the Land • Building Community • Planting Futures

2016 Annual Report

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Explosive Ordnance Disposal Response Teams

In 2016, PeaceTrees Vietnam expanded to four complete Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Response Teams. Two were based in Huong Hoa District, and two in Dakrong District.

Volunteers

We want to extend a special thank you to all our dedicated volunteers who graciously gave their time and talents to support the work of PeaceTrees Vietnam.



MISSION & VISION



Our Mission

Our mission is to heal the legacy of war by removing dangerous explosives, returning land to safe use, promoting peace and cultivating a brighter future for the children and families of Vietnam.

Our Vision

Our vision is a Vietnam completely cleared of dangerous unexploded ordnance and communities fully supported in their goals for safety, education and economic success.

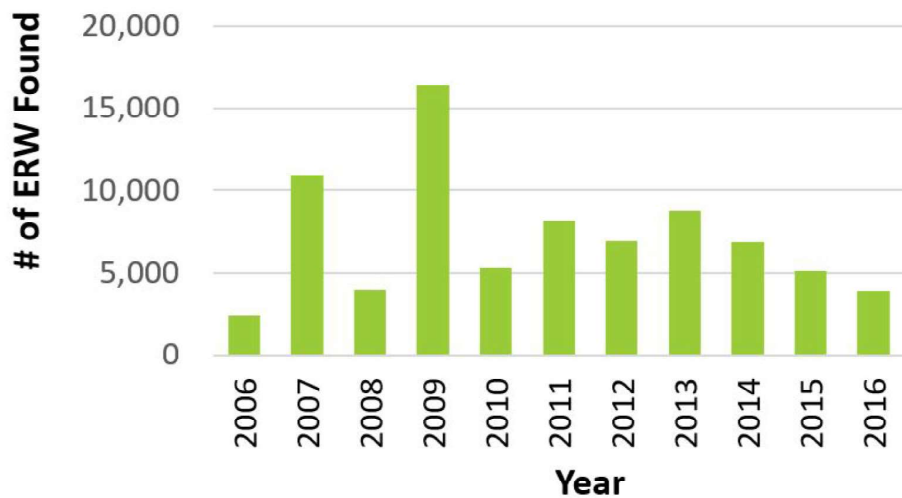
Safe Land, Successful Communities

PeaceTrees Vietnam creates a safe and successful future for children and families endangered by the legacy of the Vietnam War. In partnership with the people we serve in the region of Vietnam still suffering the most decades after the war — Quang Tri Province — we remove explosives and return land to productive use, build schools and libraries to educate future generations, and advance economic development to ensure a prosperous tomorrow. Your support cultivates secure and flourishing communities in a country still ravaged by the remnants of war.

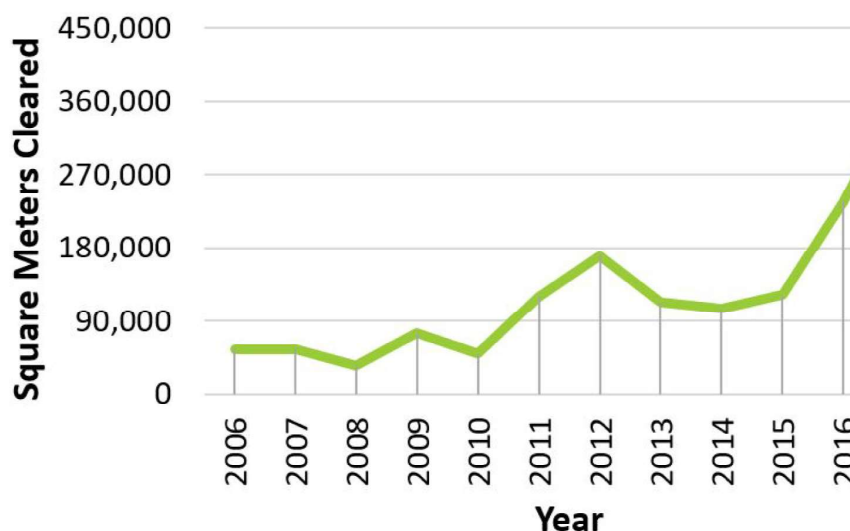
Founded in 1995 by Danaan Parry and Jerilyn Brusseau — whose brother, U.S. Army helicopter pilot Lt. Daniel Cheney, was killed during the Vietnam War in 1969 — PeaceTrees Vietnam is a shining example to the world of how tragedy and conflict can be transformed into peace and partnership.

CURRENT CLEARANCE STATISTICS

Explosive Remnants of War (ERW) Found



Square Meters Cleared by Year



Our Top Priority: Making Dangerous Land Safe Again

PeaceTrees Vietnam's core work is sponsoring the clearance of landmines and other unexploded ordnance (UXO) in Quang Tri Province in Central Vietnam. Throughout 2016, four PeaceTrees explosive ordnance disposal teams worked to clear UXO from fields, schoolyards, roadsides and gardens.

Step by step since 1995, we have achieved remarkable results. We have removed nearly 100,000 dangerous landmines, bombs, mortar shells and grenades from close to 1,000 acres of land. In every acre we clear, farmers can once again plow their fields without fear and feed their families. Children can play carefree and walk safely through the countryside. Towns can expand with new houses and schools, building on land clear of danger.

A person wearing a white protective helmet and a blue vest is working in a field. A red safety line is visible in the foreground. The person is looking down at the ground. The background is filled with green vegetation and trees.

KEY 2016 EOD TEAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

3,941 pieces of UXO removed and destroyed

53.5 acres of land safely cleared of UXOs

1,172 Mine Risk Education Sessions were held

7,846 people received Mine Risk Education

2 new EOD Teams formed

858 deployments by EOD Teams in Huong Hoa

684 deployments by EOD Teams in Da Krong

EDUCATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Healthful Gardens for Healthy Children

The Healthful Gardens for Healthy Children program started in 2010 as a pilot project and was overwhelmingly successful. The program has three primary elements:

- Clearing land of unexploded bombs and mines
- Delivering training, tools, and support to establish healthy gardens
- Providing long-term support to achieve success and sustainability



98% of participants maintained their gardens and were better able to provide adequate nutrition for their families. These families also saved an average of 10 USD per month which they had previously spent to purchase vegetables. In addition to meeting program goals, 23% of participants grew more than enough produce to feed their families, and were therefore able to increase their incomes by selling excess produce at a local market.

Based on the success of the pilot project the decision was made to expand the Healthful Gardens for Healthy Children program. During 2016, Seattle-area Rotary Clubs generously contributed to the program and ensured that it could be expanded to additional families in Quang Tri in 2017.

Friends Forever Kindergarten

Construction of the Friendship Forever Kindergarten began in April 2016, and was completed in September the same year. This is the 11th kindergarten built by PeaceTrees in Quang Tri Province. Each Kindergarten is built in collaboration with the Women's Union and local government who help to identify communities in the province with the greatest need.



The Friends Forever Kindergarten project was led by long-term supporter and Senior Advisor Robert Stokes and PeaceTrees Vietnam's In-Country Director Quang Le. Kindergartens are generously funded by individuals, families, veterans, and groups who want to make a long-term impact through a project in Vietnam. PeaceTrees kindergartens are built in some of the poorest and most remote mountainous regions of Quang Tri. The communities are made up of Van Kieu and Pa Ko ethnic minorities whose primary language is not Vietnamese. The children benefit greatly from the opportunity to learn Vietnamese in kindergarten before they start first grade. Children who attend PeaceTrees kindergartens also learn about the dangers of unexploded weapons and are less likely to be innocent victims of explosives.

EDUCATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Black Pepper Project

In the summer of 2015, PeaceTrees Vietnam partnered with several wholesale spice distributors to begin the Black Pepper Farming Project in Con and Tram villages. Both villages are located near the Laotian border in Huong Hoa District and are composed of rural, largely ethnic minority communities. The project benefits 60 farming families.

With the dedicated support of our project partners, PeaceTrees created opportunities for participating farming families to learn agricultural skills and techniques for pepper farming, receive startup materials to plant pepper, and reduce poverty in their households over the long term. Black pepper vines need to grow for three years before they provide their first substantial harvest. In order to support farming families while they waited for the black pepper vines to mature, we assisted farmers with the cultivation peanuts and other legumes which provide a faster harvest and also enrich the soil for the pepper vines. At the end of each harvest, our partners will buy the farmers' black pepper at market prices and provide them with a more stable income.

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PEACETREES VIETNAM
 Statements of Financial Position
 December 31, 2016 and 2015

	2016	2015
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 423,150	324,705
Grant award receivables	-	11,346
Donations receivable	6,169	9,546
Prepaid expenses	14,280	847
Total current assets	443,599	346,444
Vehicles	120,266	78,267
Less accumulated depreciation	(64,725)	(43,471)
Total fixed assets	55,541	34,796
Other non-current assets:		
Microloan portfolio	10,541	10,835
Rent deposits	2,241	2,241
Total assets	\$ 511,922	394,316
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 9,093	27,129
Accrued payroll, taxes, and benefits	7,634	5,455
Deferred revenues	939	-
Citizen diplomacy funds held	52,260	-
Total current liabilities	69,926	32,584
Net assets:		
Unrestricted	315,584	266,232
Temporarily restricted	126,412	95,500
Total net assets	441,996	361,732
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 511,922	394,316

Please contact info@peacetreesvietnam with questions regarding these financial statements.

PEACETREES VIETNAM
Statement of Activities
Year ended December 31, 2016

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Support and revenue:			
Government grants	\$ 681,061	-	681,061
Contributions	138,344	138,245	276,589
Special events	174,665	2,015	176,680
Citizen diplomacy	73,810	-	73,810
Interest income	87	-	87
Released from restrictions	<u>109,348</u>	<u>(109,348)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total support and revenue	1,177,315	30,912	1,208,227
 Expenses:			
Program services	887,142	-	887,142
Management and general	83,232	-	83,232
Fundraising	<u>157,589</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>157,589</u>
Total expenses	<u>1,127,963</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,127,963</u>
Change in net assets	49,352	30,912	80,264
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>266,232</u>	<u>95,500</u>	<u>361,732</u>
 Net assets at end of year	<u><u>\$ 315,584</u></u>	<u><u>126,412</u></u>	<u><u>441,996</u></u>

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