Thuong Nguyen

X Schooling Project

Project

Mission

A non-profit educational project empowers self-autonomy of ethnic minority children in Quang Nam (Vietnam)

Area-based program

Interventions

Undergraduate at Fulbright University Vietnam

Founder

Self-introduction
Area: Dong Giang (Quang Nam)

Context and Issue: Due to limited access to education and poverty, ethnic minority children from 11-15 in Dong Giang are reported to be victims of opportunity gap, forced child labour, child marriage, and human trafficking.

Program: 10-day summer camp for 30 ethnic minority children (11-15) in Dong Giang.
**Project Objectives**

**Children**
- Create a safe space in which children are able to share about their dreams, future, and struggles
- Introduce concept of local-global citizens

**Community**
- Incorporate cultural studies to help children discover the cultural and economic values of their community

**Mentors**
- Build a sustainable network of children-mentor
IMPACTS OF COVID-19

Before COVID-19
- National mentors and organizing members are voluntarily recruited.
- No-fee program for children

During COVID-19
- They reconsider their decision due to economic difficulties. However, we are unable to cover fees.
- Small funding as a result of limited sponsorship

→ Consider canceling the program
Impact of the award

Number of mentors: 8
Number of organizing members: 12
Number of children: 30

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(Budget plan of transportation fee, room and board in 10 days)

COV-AID Student Engagement Award would help us to proceed this year’s program by alleviating the accommodation fee and transportation for field trips.