



## FAMILY INTRODUCTION SHEET

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Ha Nam Orphanage

Dear PSBI Sponsor,

On behalf of Pearl S. Buck International and our Country Office in Vietnam, we are very pleased to introduce Nguyen Gia Bao and his foster family to you. It is called foster family as Gia Bao lives in an orphanage that cares for orphans and displaced children. Nguyen Gia Bao was born on March 14<sup>th</sup> 2015 at a maternity hospital in Nam Dinh province. He was an unlucky child because his father was died and her mother abandoned him. He lived with his grandparents but they were too old and poor to take care of him. Fortunately, Nguyen Gia Bao has turned to the orphanage since February 1<sup>st</sup> 2021.

Nguyen Gia Bao is now 6 years old with a weight of 44 lbs and a height of 3'60". Thanks to the caring of the housemother in the orphanage, Gia Bao has been in good health condition. At present, he is in grade 1<sup>st</sup> at Liem Tiet Primary School which is 2.5 kilometers far from the orphanage. Hence, every day, housemothers take him to school and pick him up. He is an obedient boy so everybody in the orphanage loves him very much. For him, housemothers like his real mothers and the orphanage is his home. Although he is small, he is quite clever and active. Gia Bao likes playing car toys and superman with his foster siblings.

Established in 1997 at Van Lam village, Liem Tiet commune, Phu Ly city, Ha Nam province – 37.3 miles away to the South of Hanoi, Ha Nam Orphanage is a cozy home for 21 orphans who are from the province from a few months old to 22 years old. The orphanage has 3 establishments: the main establishment has 6 buildings with administration office, functional rooms: kitchen, dining room, etc. It has a really large front yard and the children live in a two-storey building which has bedrooms, study room and a room for collective activity. Each room has 2 beds, a closet for clothes and personal supplies, study table and chairs for the children. There is no library, computing room or supplies and equipment for training sports, entertaining and rehabilitation for the children yet. The second establishment of the orphanage has 5 one-storey buildings. There are 2 to 3 children living in 1 room and facilities for their living life are also in poor quality. Binh Luc orphanage – the third establishment has a 2-storey building and 1 one-storey building for the children's living space. In between the 2 buildings, there is a kitchen, dining room and a garden for the housemothers and children to plant vegetable in order to partly meet their daily need. Water supply is from 2 sources including a drilled well for washing and rain water for drinking. There are a total of 47 staffs in which 16 housemothers and caregivers from the 3 establishments. Government provides USD50 per child to cover 3 decent meals and sparing daily expenses. The limited amount is not enough to cover nutritional expenses with 3 frugal meals per day and tuition fee for the children. Despite many difficulties and lack of material support, the Orphanage manages to bring the best things for these disadvantaged children. Ha Nam Orphanage highly appreciates charity and donation from different organizations and individuals to support the children.

With support from the housemothers and the Ha Nam Orphanage, Gia Bao is very happy to share his life at the orphanage with you. We hope that you will establish an everlasting and meaningful relationship with him and the rest of the children in the Ha Nam Orphanage. Thank you for your commitment to support Ha Nam Orphanage and Gia Bao in particular.

Yours sincerely,

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