



FAMILY INTRODUCTION SHEET

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Friendship Orphanage

Dear PSBI Sponsor,

On behalf of Pearl S. Buck International and our Country Office in Vietnam, we are very pleased to introduce Tran Minh Quan and his foster family to you. It is called foster family as Quan lives in an orphanage that cares for orphans and disadvantaged children. Tran Minh Quan was born on 2nd January 2006. He does not know who his father is. He lived with mom in a poor and small house. His mother has to work very hard but the income is still really low so she is unable to afford raising him well. She then asked the Hanoi Department of Labor, Invalids and Social Affairs and the orphanage to take him in so he could have chances to live and study in a better environment. On 1st July 2014, he started to come to the orphanage and has been living there since then.

Tran Minh Quan is now 15 years old with a height of 5'20'' and a weight of 115 lbs. In general, his health is in good condition. He is active, playful and loves sport activities. He is in grade 9th at Center for Continuing Education, which is 500 meters away from the orphanage. Every day, from Monday to Friday, he often goes to school on foot with other friends in the orphanage. He has good study results and his favorite subject at school is Physical Education while English does not draw his interest. Quan dreams of becoming a famous football player. In his free time, he likes playing soccer, shuttlecock and sometimes helps housemothers sweep the floor and take out the rubbish, as well.

Established in 1991 on an area of over 1.700m² at 102 Yen Lang street, Thinh Quang ward, Dong Da district of Hanoi city, the Dong Da Friendship House of foster children, as known as the Friendship Orphanage is a social center which provides shelters, care and administration for disadvantaged children and poor orphans. Currently, there are 60 orphans, who are from 5 to 18 years old living in a 4 storey- building in the orphanage. There are 12 staffs being in charge of taking care of the children with all their heart and dedication. In the 1st floor of the building in the orphanage, there are a kitchen and a dining room with administration offices. In front of the building, there is a playground and a large front yard with many trees and flowers. The children sleep in bunk beds divided into 2 bedrooms: one for the boys and one for the girls. Each room has lockers for the children's supplies and clothes. A study room is located on the 2nd floor, the library is on the 3rd floor and the computing room is on the 4th floor of the building. Each month, the orphanage is provided by the Government with approximately USD 49 per child. This limited amount is not enough to cover nutritional expenses for the children with 3 frugal meals per day and other daily expenses. Despite of many difficulties, the orphanage manages to provide the best things and chances of integral development for these disadvantaged children. The Friendship Orphanage highly appreciates charity and donation from interested organizations and individuals to support the children.

With support from the caregivers and housemothers, Quan 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 of the orphanage. Thank you for your generosity and kindness.

Yours Sincerely,

Nguyen Thi Hanh
Country Director



