



## 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 Truong Minh Anh and her foster family to you. It is called foster family as Minh Anh lives in an orphanage that cares for orphans and disadvantaged children. Truong Minh Anh was born on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2008 in a very poor family. Her parents got a divorced and her mother did not have a house to live. Minh Anh's mom is unemployed so that she could not raise Minh Anh. Life is too difficult so her mother asked the Hanoi Department of Labor, Invalids and Social Affair and the orphanage to take her in so she could have chances to live and study in a better environment. On 12<sup>th</sup> June 2013, she started to come to the orphanage and has been living there since then.

Truong Minh Anh is now 13 years old with a height of 4'90" and a weight of 101 lbs. In general, her health is in good condition. She is a gentle, well-behaved and social girl. At present, Minh Anh is in grade 8<sup>th</sup> at Thai Thinh Secondary School, which is 500 meters away from the orphanage. Every day, from Monday to Friday, she often goes to school on foot with other friends in the orphanage. She has good study results and her favorite subject at school is Literature while Physics does not draw her interest. Minh Anh dreams of becoming a woman business. In her free time, she often listens to music, attends skills class and also helps housemothers with household chores such as cleaning room, washing dishes and watering vegetable.

Established in 1991 on an area of over 1.700m<sup>2</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 wardrobes for keeping clothes and lockers for the children's supplies. A study room is located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, the library is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor and the computing room is on the 4<sup>th</sup> 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, Minh Anh is very happy to share her life at the orphanage with you. We hope that you will establish an everlasting and meaningful relationship with her and the rest of the children of the orphanage. Thank you for your generosity and kindness.

Yours Sincerely



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