



## Access to Diapers Life-Changing for Children Living in Vietnam Orphanage

Pearl S. Buck International Vietnam (PSBIV) works with children living in seven orphanages there, implementing many useful projects and activities to support the emotional, health, and nutrition needs. One of the most successful projects PSBIV has been able to carry out thanks to the generosity of donors and sponsors is providing diapers to children with disabilities living in Thuy An Orphanage.

The children being raised in Thuy An Orphanage are all disabled, many with serious health problems. At present, there are 170 children with disabilities in the orphanage. These children face many difficulties because many of them cannot move, eat or go to the toilet by themselves. They mostly lie or sit in one place and totally depend on the housemothers, from feeding and eating to sleeping and moving around.

In addition to their disabilities, the overall health of the children is very weak, and they easily get infected with many contagious diseases. The children also live with mental and emotional issues, which cause many challenges for the housemothers and caregivers.

One of the outstanding difficulties in taking care of these children is how to ensure their personal hygiene, especially



in the wet and rainy season when clothes and bedding take a long time to dry. In addition, the government allotment of diapers per child is minimal, leading to many of the children spending all day in a wet and dirty diaper. If the childcare is not hygienic, the children get contagious diseases, skin irritation, fungal infections, and even hypothermia. Ensuring these children have access to enough clean diapers to get them through each day and night is vital to their health and the housemothers' ability to care for them properly.

Understanding the importance of access to diapers to the well-being of the children, PSBIV has provided 4,000 diapers and 1,560 diaper changing pad covers to Thuy An Orphanage. In addition to helping to improve the overall health of the children and the ease of

caring for them, clean diapers enable the children to have a good night's sleep, develop well, and feel comfortable in their daily activities. Thanks to the endless love and generous support of PSBIV sponsors and donors, the children at Thuy An have a clean living environment and good care. In fact, many of the children have shown great progress, from their physical health to cognition ability. Thanks to the aid of sponsors and donors, PSBIV is able to successfully support all the orphanages with basic necessities.

The principal aim of PSBIV is to implement helpful and meaningful projects and programs to benefit the disadvantaged Vietnamese children so they have favorable conditions to develop well, have good education opportunities, and have a better future life. This will help them live free of poverty, illiteracy, psychological or any physical damage.

The staff of PSBIV and all the children served by them express their sincere thanks, gratitude, and appreciation to all the donors and sponsors. With their significant support, PSBIV believes that all the children living in the seven orphanages have a promising future ahead of them.

To help provide clean diapers to the children of Thuy An Orphanage, go to:

[https://pearlsbuck.org/bbwp\\_gifts/diapers-for-disabled-orphans-25/](https://pearlsbuck.org/bbwp_gifts/diapers-for-disabled-orphans-25/)

# Spend the Holidays at Our House



The holidays are quickly approaching and there are a variety of upcoming ways to celebrate at the Pearl S. Buck House National Historic Landmark Museum and historic estate.

Each year during the **Annual Festival of Trees**, the rooms of Pearl S. Buck's iconic Bucks County historic stone farmhouse come alive with the glow of holiday decorations. The event showcases beautiful trees and vignettes designed by the best local artists, decorators, and community groups to convey the spirit of Pearl S. Buck's legacy as an author, humanitarian, and activist. Join us on select evenings throughout December for an evening Candlelight Tour of Festival of Trees. Festival of Trees remains one of the most unique and historic holiday traditions in the region. This year Festival of Trees begins November 12, 2025 and runs through January 4, 2026. Tickets are on sale now at <https://pearlsbuck.org/holiday-events/>

The **Juried Craft Show** has been a Bucks County tradition for three decades. Enjoy a unique shopping experience at this high-end craft show which offers jury-selected gifts, decorations, food, jewelry, apparel, and more from professional crafters, artists, and chefs. The Craft Show is the perfect place to find an array of amazing holiday gifts for your family and friends. Every year the Craft Show is produced by the Pearl S. Buck Volunteer Association. The Craft Show, located in the Welcome Center, will run from Friday, November 28 to Sunday, December 7. Admission is \$5.

Be our guest on Sunday, December 14 from 1-4 pm for our annual **Community Holiday Party**. This family-friendly holiday celebration features complimentary tours of Festival of Trees, live holiday music, and some surprise holiday guests! This annual event carries on the historic tradition of Pearl S. Buck's holiday party for the

community. Please save the date for this special event!

Get into the crafty fall holiday mood with a **Fall Floral Design Class and Festival of Trees** combo ticket with Mark Bryan Designs and Pearl S. Buck International. Based out of Upper Black Eddy, Mark Bryan has over 30 years of excelling at floral design, landscaping design, and horticultural experience. Bring your friends and family members as Mark expertly leads you in the design and creation of a stunning Thanksgiving centerpiece. Afterward, enjoy a tour of Festival of Trees. This class will be November 23 at 1 pm, followed by the tour at 2 pm. Register now at <https://pearlsbuckinternational.ticketspice.com/fall-class-2025>

Find all these holiday events and more on our website at [pearlsbuck.org/events](https://pearlsbuck.org/events).