

Looking to Support People with Disabilities in Vietnam? Here are Some Highly Ranked Programs

How to Use this Table:

- (1) Choose from among the 11 program goals in the table below the goal that meets your funding objectives.
- (2) Trace down the column to find the organization(s) which are implementing a program with that goal.
- (3) Find the name of the organization and the provinces where it runs its program in the list at right.

How These Programs Were Discovered, Assessed and Ranked:

The East Meets West Foundation contacted 43 organizations which provide services to people with disabilities in Vietnam. Each organization was invited to provide detailed information on its programs. Twenty-four of the 43 organizations replied with information which EMWF staff compiled into comprehensive descriptions of 30 different programs. Each of these program descriptions was verified and confirmed by the respective organization. An independent panel of five Vietnamese & international experts in economics, healthcare, development and disabilities was formed and they agreed on criteria for selecting effective & efficient programs. After removing all identification, the panel reviewed, evaluated and ranked each of the 30 programs. The table presents the top ten programs. A program may appear more than once if it serves two or more goals.

Implementing Organizations

Provinces

AGORAVIF: Vietnam Red Cross–Agent Orange Victims Fund	Central Highlands and Tay Ninh
CoV: Children of Vietnam	Da Nang
DPO: Disabled People's Organization	Hanoi
EMWF: East Meets West Foundation	Da Nang, Quang Ngai, Thai Binh
HI: Handicap International	Thua Thien-Hue
HTF: Vi Ngay Mai Self Help Group	Hanoi
IDEA: Inclusive Development Action	Hanoi, Thai Nguyen
PI: Plan International	Hanoi
VNAH: Vietnam Assistance for the Handicapped	National Level
VVAF: Vietnam Veterans of America Foundation	Da Nang, Quang Nam, Thua Thien-Hue, Ninh Binh, Nam Dinh, & Thai Binh

Program Goal

Awareness and Advocacy:	Early Identification and Early Prevention:	Direct Services:	Supporting Self-Help:	Inclusion:	Community-Based Rehabilitation:	Focus on Children:	Employment and Business Support:	Skills Training:	Income Generation:	Capacity Building:
Efforts to educate the public and PWDs about disabilities in Vietnam and how best to mainstream PWD and especially children with disabilities into education, jobs and society.	Screening for birth defects, providing and educating about the benefits of folic acid for antenatal care, education on congenital birth defects.	Efforts to improve the functioning of the healthcare system that cares for PWDs, including upgrading rehab facilities, improving surgical capacity and outcomes, improving orthotics and prosthetics availability and fitting, and offering new services such as testing for vision, hearing and other less-visible disabilities.	Efforts to create and support self-help organizations involved in job training/ placement, advocacy, and other work.	National and local legislation to remove barriers, prevent discrimination and improve access for people with disabilities.	The development and support of small-scale, community-based rehabilitation centers to identify and assist people with disabilities in their communities.	Enabling children with disabilities to go to school, participate in activities such as sports, music and travel, and get medical and other assistance.	Efforts to provide jobs for PWDs and to support entrepreneurship by PWDs, especially in enterprises that hire the disabled.	Efforts to develop specific skills that PWDs can use to earn an income, such as embroidery, lacquer painting, handicrafts, etc.	Efforts to develop microfinance projects, provide loans and employment opportunities for income generation.	Facilitate capacity building and training for local and national partners to create networks of support for people with disabilities.

Implementing Organizations

AGORAVIF	HI	AGORAVIF	CoV	AGORAVIF	EMWF	CoV	AGORAVIF	HTF	AGORAVIF	DPO
EMWF		CoV	IDA	HI	HI	DPO	DPO		DPO	EMWF
HI		EMWF	VVAF		IDEA	HI	EMWF		EMWF	
IDEA		HI			VVAF	VNAH	HTF			
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