



**FENCE AND COURTYARD CONSTRUCTION  
DONG XUAN 2 KINDERGARTEN, HUONG XUAN COMMUNE,  
HUONG TRA DISTRICT, THUA THIEN HUE PROVINCE  
16<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>st</sup> March, 2009  
Sponsored by Ngee Ann Polytechnic (Singapore)**



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## Introduction

20 Km far from Hue Centre, Huong Xuan is one of the poorest communes of Huong Tra District of Thua Thien Hue Province with the population of 8,600 inhabitants in 1680 households. There are 310 nursery children currently studying in 10 different classrooms located in 11 villages of Huong Xuan commune, and most of the infrastructure in these classrooms is not suitable with the standards of nursery education.

After making a survey all the kindergartens in Huong Xuan, we understood that there is one kindergarten in a village named Thanh Luong 2 in need of help. With the population of 1,270 inhabitants living in 260 households, Thanh Luong 2 is one of poorest villages in Huong Xuan commune. In Thanh Luong 2, there are 80 nursery children currently studying in one kindergarten with no fence and courtyard system, and its effected to the teaching quality of this kindergarten and life of children as well when the children used to cross a main road in front of the kindergarten.

In brief, the children in Thanh Luong 2 in Huong Xuan commune of Huong Tra District have been facing a full of difficulties in their study for long time. While with the local limited budget of Huong Xuan commune, the local authorities can not improve the infrastructure condition of these kindergartens, the project is proposed to build the fence and courtyard system in kindergarten in order to improve the nursery education quality in Huong Xuan commune.

## Project plan

Based on the concerns of and recommendations from teachers in the kindergarten and local authorities in Huong Xuan commune, Hue Help proposed to provide financial support for the constructional works detailed below:

	<b>Item</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Cost in U.S Dollars</b>
(1)	<i>Fence construction</i>	<i>45 m</i>	<i>1,136</i>
(2)	<i>Courtyard construction</i>	<i>250m2</i>	<i>1,022</i>
(3)	<i>Bonsai and flowers</i>		<i>113</i>
(4)	<i>Admin cost</i>		<i>229</i>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>2,500</b>

## Implementation

After receiving the approval from NGEE ANN Polytechnic, Hue Help and Thua Thien Hue's union of Friendship organizations worked with Huong Xuan's People Committee and Huong Xuan Clinic to arrange accommodation for 34 students and staffs from Ngee Ann at a health clinic during 12 days in Hue.

On 16 March, 2009 the program was carried out officially with the participation of 34 members of Ngee Ann, 10 volunteers and 2 staffs of Hue Help and 10 local constructional workers in Hue. Beside of the construction, Hue Help's volunteers and Ngee Ann's students collaborated to carry out another activities such as playing games with the kindergarteners, teaching for the children of Huong Xuan Secondary school; visiting rice fields to learn about farming methods and exchanging music and culture with Huong Xuan Youth Union and Hue University.

After 11 days of hard work, the program was completed and a closing ceremony was organized on the 25<sup>th</sup> of March at Huong Xuan's People Committee with the participants of local authorities, Mr Anh – Chairman of the Union, Mr Graham- Director of Hue Help in UK, Mr Khanh- Representative of Hue Help.



*Above: Presenting meeting Ngee Ann team to Huong Xuan' PC*



*Above: First day at the Kindergarten*



*Above: Ms Auyong- Leader of Singapore team*



Above: Building base of the courtyard



Above: Ms Auyong- Leader of Singapore team



Above: The Kindergarten before

and



after building fence



Above: The kindergarten with a nice courtyard by Singapore students' effort



Above: Early Childhood group played games with children in the kindergarten





*Above: Rice, vegetable fields visit*



*Above: Teaching English for the pupils in Huong Xuan Secondary school*



*Above: Exchanging with the pupils in Huong Xuan Secondary school*



*Above: Hue Help's volunteers teaching Vietnamese for Singapore students*



Above: Hue Help's volunteers and Singapore students on exploration day about Hue city



Above: Hue Help team on the program closing Above: Chairman of Huong Xuan's PC-Mr Lai giving a speech



Above: Local authorities, Hue Help's representatives and Singapore leader



Above: Food exchange between Vietnam and Singapore





*Above: Music exchange between Singapore and local youths at program closing ceremony*

## Conclusion

The program has achieved great results, the new fence and courtyard has completed and has created a safe environment suitable to the education of young children.



Hue city, March 30, 2009

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