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Dear Friends,

As 2023 winds down, we want to thank all of you for your continued support of VVAW's sponsored Library and Learning Centers in Vietnam. The projects at the Pho Vinh Middle School in Duc Pho, Quang Ngai Province and the Hanh Trung Primary School in Nghia Hanh District, Quang Ngai Province have been completed! By the time you read this, ground will be broken for our third project at the An Nghia Secondary School, Hoai An District, Binh Dinh Province.

We are grateful and thankful for all of you who have donated your hard earned dollars to make these projects possible. Also, we want to acknowledge the leadership of Chuck Theusch and the Library of Vietnam Project for turning VVAW's donations into something that will benefit Vietnamese children for generations to come.

These projects don't stop once the building is finished. VVAW has continued to support the completed projects. Our support has encouraged others who are helping these projects as well.

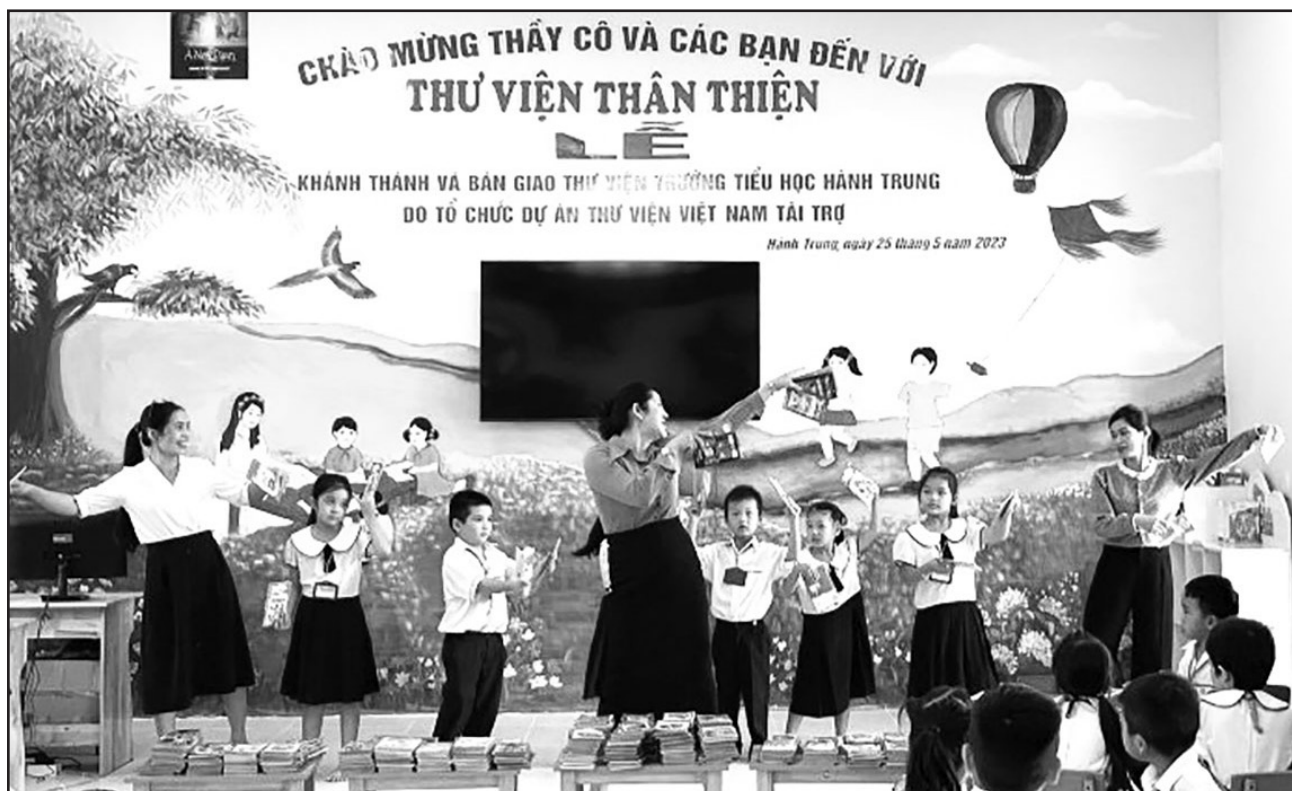
Here's a report from Chuck Theusch. "Thanks to VVAW's Library at Hanh Trung, we now have \$500 worth of books donated by Stanton Brunner of San Francisco, a friend of Le Ly Hayslip, who visited Kim Phuc's Library dedication back on February 17, 2023.

"But these happy results are due to VVAW's contributions—a willingness of its members, families and friends to invest in a building—a library on the other side of the world in a country that is a former enemy, now a friend. This in itself takes some chutzpah and visionary attitude towards setting aside some valid concerns.

"The process of constructing a library—an educational institution in any foreign country, takes an act of faith on the part of the people writing the checks. We will continue to coordinate locally to make sure the communities are gaining the resources they need. We appreciate your support."

Many of us now need canes or walkers to get around. We're getting our hips and knees replaced. In other words, we can no longer storm the gates and take it to the streets like we used to. That's why supporting these libraries is right for us at this time. Your donations really are crucial to getting these libraries built and to offer annual support to them as long as we can. While many of us served over 50 years ago, the damage the US rained on Vietnam is still affecting the health and well being of the Vietnamese people.

We know 2023 has been another rough year: wars in Ukraine, Israel & Palestine and many other places, fascists trying to take over and destroy our electoral system, the continuing impact of PTSD, Agent Orange and other after effects of war on our bodies and minds. We know these horrors tax our minds and our bank accounts. Please consider the lasting good your donation will do to help educate a new generation of Vietnamese youth. Please give what you can now.



Headmaster Ms. Tu and students dance with new book donations at the VVAW Library in Hanh Trung, October 24, 2023.

We are deeply thankful when our members and supporters make tax-deductible donations to VVAW's work, at whatever level. Your contributions to VVAW help us keep distributing *The Veteran*, to our members, friends, and supporters. Your donations also keep our website going, where we have every issue of VVAW's newspaper online as well as archives of many other articles, photos, and videos. Your donations allow us to make VVAW's legacy not only accessible to all through our website but also to archive them for generations to come. Funds raised will also continue to support the Library of Vietnam Project. We thank all of you for your continued support.

In solidarity,

William Branson

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VVAW Board member

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