

PROJECT LIBRE

PROJECT SUMMARY

LIBRE: Livelihood Improvement for Building Resilient Communities

Project Cost: \$692,110

Project Length: 2013-2017

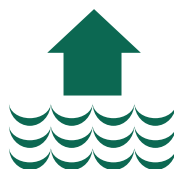
OVERVIEW |

Vietnam is affected by more natural disasters than almost all other countries in the world, and most of these disasters correlate with Climate Change and future sea level rises. The Mekong River Delta is one of the poorest regions of the country with a very high poverty rate, low education and poor infrastructure. The most immediate impacts of natural disasters like inundation, river bank collapse and tree diseases due to weather changes, have resulted in the loss of traditional means of support, with the poorer families losing the most.

The Livelihood Improvement for Building resilient Communities (LIBRE) Project focuses on sustainable economic development in agriculture and community-based disaster risk management. By educating the community in agriculture and disaster risk management, the project will maximise food security and introduce alternative income opportunities, such as animal husbandry to the poorest families in Vinh Long Province.

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The Vinh Long Province is the 4th poorest in terms of Multi-Dimensional Poverty out of the 64 Provinces throughout Vietnam. The Multi-Dimensional Poverty takes into account the impacts of health, education, and living conditions.



Vietnam is the second largest exporter of rice in the world. Rising sea levels could destroy 10% of all rice crops affecting millions across the country.



170,000

annual private funds are needed to support this project.

ACTIVITIES |

The key activities for this project include:

- ◆ Developing plans and training community members in community-based disaster risk management.
- ◆ Teaching farmers how to increase their incomes through value adding processes including scheduling planting and harvesting in seasons that will produce the greatest vegetation.
- ◆ Loaning out cows for families to increase income through the use of cow products.
- ◆ Providing revolving loans for families to invest in income generating activities.

IMPACT |

Through the LIBRE Project, 154 families will receive training in cow husbandry and will be provided with a cow as part of the cow husbandry scheme. The Cow husbandry and monetary loans schemes allows families to increase their income then pass the calves and loans once they have been able to successfully grow their income.

In addition, ADRA is providing disaster risk management training in 35 villages in Vin Long province. This training teaches people to prepare the communities for disasters and prevent food insecurity and damage to their homes and lives. To date, 3455 households have already begun implementing what they have learnt throughout the training.

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TRAN ANH PHONG'S STORY |

Mr. Tran Anh Phong is one of the beneficiaries of cow bank activity in Trung Trach village. Before his involvement with the LIBRE project, the main source of income for his family came from seasonal works as well as fish and frog catching, usually earning 50,000 – 100,000 VND per day (\$3-7NZD). It was not enough for him to pay or his three daughter's education in school and university. "We are not afraid of the poverty or difficulties; we will do everything to earn enough money for them to go to school."

The ADRA LIBRE Project provided Phong with a cow in order to produce milk and provide a larger income for his family. Phong is now proud and happy that he has enough income to send all of his daughters to school. "For me and my wife, our biggest happiness is that all of our children study well at schools."

You can help families thrive!



DONATE |

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- ✦ Become an ADRA Prayer Warrior and pray for our work, staff and the people we work with.
- ✦ Get your hands dirty by joining an ADRA Connections trip and visit one of our projects overseas. It will be a truly life-changing experience!
- ✦ Advocate for change and help share the amazing things happening in New Zealand and around the world by joining our ADRA New Zealand's Justice Action Network.
- ✦ Make a difference in your community by starting a project in your local community through our National Programme.



RAISE FUNDS |

Planning a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion? Ready to ride your bike, shave your head or do something similarly amazing? Turn your event into something life-changing by raising funds for a project just list this. Contact us to find out how!

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