

# EMPOWER ME!



Child Development Scholarship Programme  
Impact Report 2018-19



## Our Mission

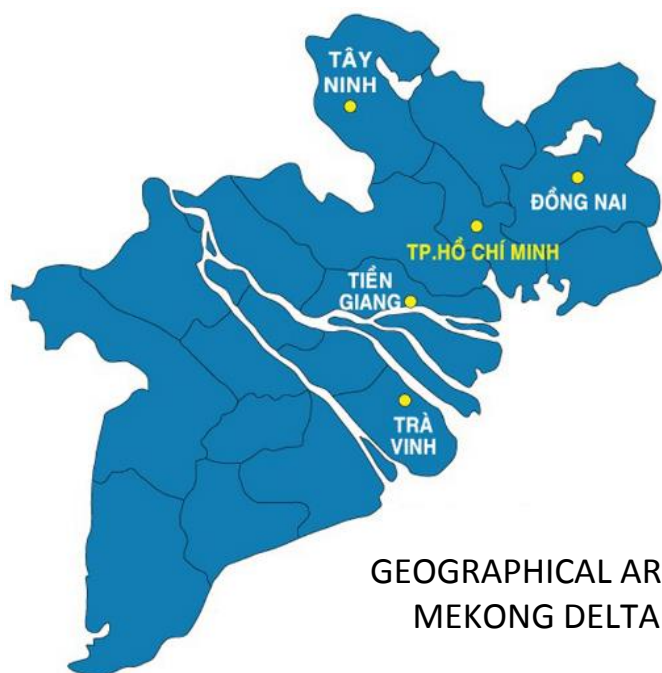
The Child Development Scholarship Programme (CDSP) aims to ensure that all children excluded from school, or whose education is jeopardized by poverty, can attend school untroubled by worries about the cost of education to their families until they can stand on their own. We foster independence and never replace the responsibility of parents, the authorities, or the child.

## What We Do

We choose students with great care and visit them in their homes. Selection criteria includes the family's financial situation (in accordance with the national poverty standard), the family's ability to earn, and lack of or limited support from other NGOs or the government.

Our scholarship packages differ depending on the level of the student -- university students receive assistance to pay tuition fees, whereas school students generally receive school supplies (textbooks and notebooks), a new school uniform and 10 kg of rice per month during the school year.

# CDSP MAKING A DIFFERENCE



GEOGRAPHICAL AREA  
MEKONG DELTA

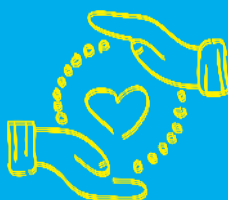
**41,000** scholarships  
in **5** Provinces  
since **1992**

## School year 2018-19



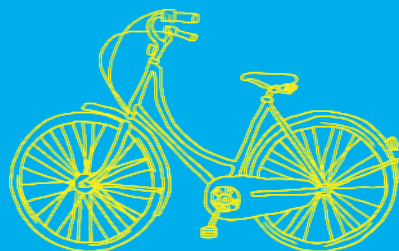
**1,445**

scholarships provided



**72**

urgent cases supported

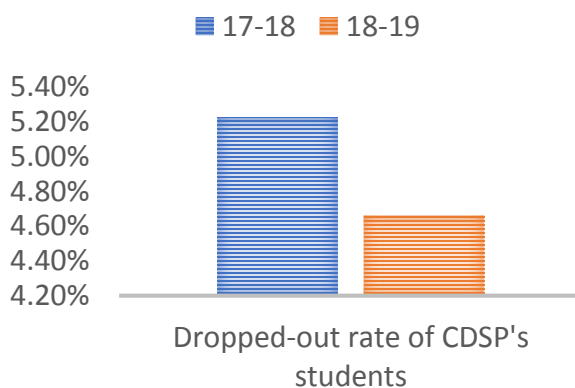


**126**

bicycles delivered

Each additional year of schooling  
has proven to increase an  
individual's earnings by up to

**10%.** (UNESCO 2010)



# CDSP THROUGH THE ACADEMIC YEAR



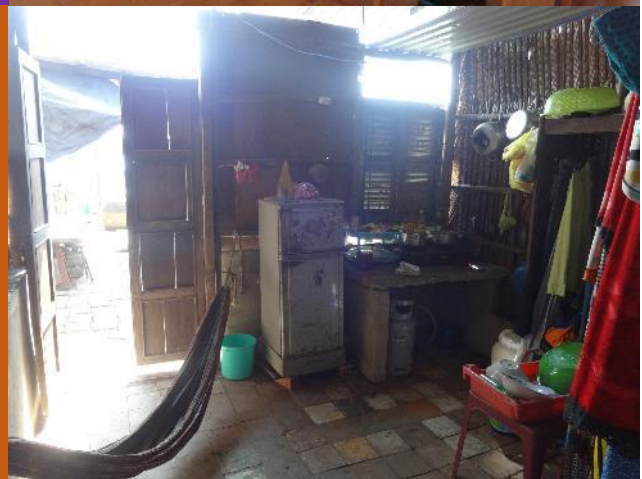
42 Parent meetings  
53 Student meetings



Deliveries  
of school  
supplies  
and rice



437  
Home  
visits



Meetings with Grade-12 students  
for career orientation



706 one-on-one consultations  
for students/ caregivers

# CDSP THROUGH THE ACADEMIC YEAR



Soft-skill trainings for  
Post High School students



Soft-skill  
trainings for  
Secondary  
school students  
on Active  
Learning  
Methods



Healthcare  
check-ups  
for 110  
students



Fun fairs organized  
by senior students  
for younger  
students of the  
CDSP



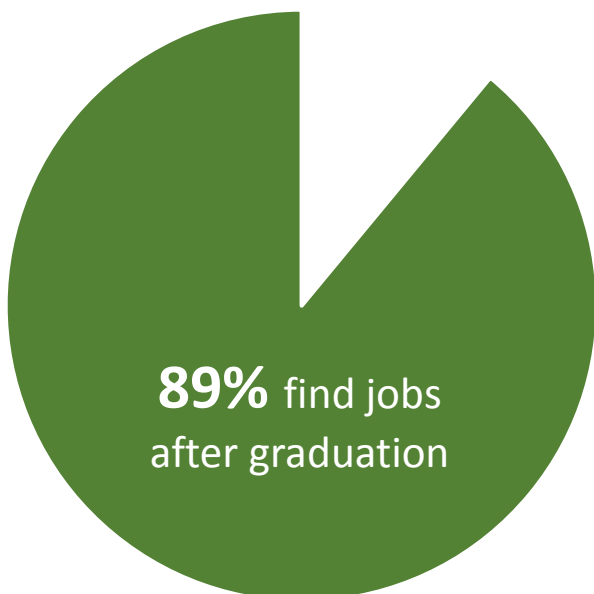
# CDSP THROUGH THE ACADEMIC YEAR



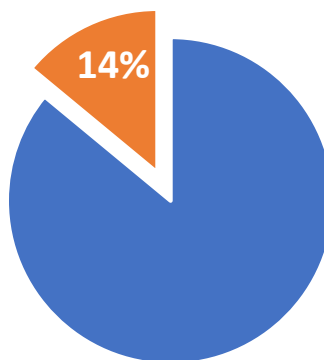
## Graduation Ceremony for Post High School students



### Graduates of 2017-18

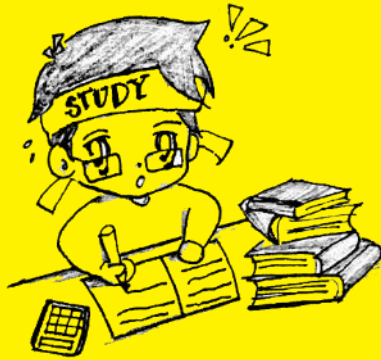


### Salary over US\$450



# CDSP TURN AROUND STORY

"My name is Le Van Trung. I am 22 years old and I was born and raised in Ho Chi Minh City. I live with my mother and older brother. When I was younger, my father was sick and went to the hospital frequently. He died when I was 14 years old. It was difficult for all of us.

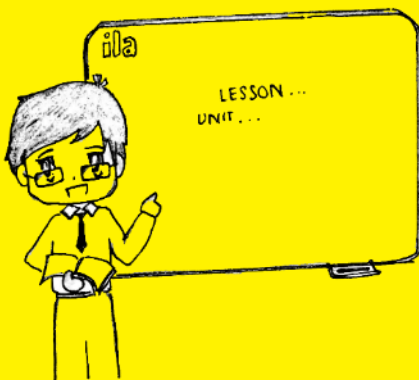


My mother was a factory worker and earned little, although she worked 12 hours a day. My brother dropped out of school to work because my mother couldn't pay for both of us. I was so sad and angry because we were struggling. We did nothing wrong but bad things kept happening to us. I was little and not useful. I felt helpless.

I learned of saigonchildren's scholarship when I was in 9th grade. Things became a little easier for my family. My mother stopped worrying about school fees. My brother applied to a non-government high school and graduated 3 years later.



I finished high school and was accepted to university, but this brought my mother an even heavier burden in supporting me through university. I also received a scholarship from ILA with a reference from saigonchildren and have been studying there ever since. I take my education seriously because I know I have been very fortunate.



I was working part-time as a Teaching Assistant at ILA and recently became a Customer Care Officer after graduation. My mother can work less now because I can support myself. Hard times have passed because of the people who gave me a chance to follow my dreams..."



**THANK YOU!**

*"I like school and I want to support my mother in the future."*

Tran Thi Nhu Quynh – Grade 9 - Can Gio, HCMC