

**Heartbeat Vietnam
Family Grants Program**

Some families are so destitute because of the continued care required for their child that they cannot afford to get the child to the doctor, buy medicine, get diagnostic tests, or keep the child well nourished. The children often need dental prior to surgery to lower the risk of bacterial infection afterwards. Our family grants program works with the hospital and provincial social services directors to assure that even the poorest of the poor can have access to care. In 2008 VCF provided 89 family grants.

A donation of \$150 will be matched 100% by VinaCapital Group and will provide a family grant of \$300 in cash which pays for transportation, food, medicines, and post-op care.

A donation of \$300 will be matched 100% by VinaCapital and will provide 20 families with a \$30 grant to cover food expenses while the child is in the hospital. Many of these families come a long way to stay with their child and literally have no money to pay for food in Ho Chi Minh City.

[Click here to meet Pham Thi Hong Thu, a Heartbeat Vietnam child and Family Grant recipient](#)

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