




**The fund for
lifesaving heart surgery
for poor children
in Vietnam**

Name:	NGUYEN NGOC THAO NGUYEN	Gender: Female
Address and no:	Thon Tay Son Dong, Duy Hai commune, Duy Xuyen district, Quang Nam province Tel: 0903 046 560	
Date of birth:	Apr 2011	
Medical Diagnosis:	Ventricular septal defect	
Medical Assesment:	June 2013	
Type of Surgery:	Open-heart surgery	
Surgery Cost:	2275 USD at Da Nang hospital	
Family income:	Low and unstable income (~ 95\$ total/ month)	
Family situation:	<p>Nguyen was born in 2011 with a serious congenital heart disease called Ventricular septal defect. Infants who have poor growth due to congestive heart failure can have poor brain development during the first few years of life. Her life is all about misery with full of medicines and health problems. She needs an urgent surgery to stay alive, as doctors suggested. However, the cost of 2275 dollar is completely out of reach.</p> <p>Nguyen's father is an electric worker with an irregular pay while the mother stay at home, breed pigs and poultry and take care of Nguyen. No matter how hardworking they are, they even can not afford living expenses and medical treatment cost. Few days ago, Nguyen has brought into Da Nang hospital as her health unfortunately got worse. Nguyen is in desperate need of attention and help to able to survive.</p>	
Sponsors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Local government - Ho Chi Minh City Sponsoring Association for poor patients - The Vietnam's Projects (Mr. Marny Freedman) through Heartbeat Vietnam of VinaCapital Foundation. 	
	Post-surgery information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Admission date: Dec. 02, 2013 - Surgery date: Jan.15, 2014 - Date of discharge: Jan. 23, 2014 - ThaoNguyen had a heart surgery at Da Nang general hospital in Da Nang province. - Photo of Thao Nguyen after heart surgery at Da Nang hospital. 	