The United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals are a collection of objectives promoting peace and prosperity in communities around the globe.

Blue Dragon Children's Foundation pride ourselves on the significant contributions we make towards achieving these goals. **Here's what Blue Dragon has accomplished in 2024**.

1 NO POVERTY

BLUE DRAGON'S POVERTY REDUCTION PROGRAMS ARE A KEY ELEMENT OF OUR STRATEGY TO END HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

WE HAVE:

- supported **210 survivors of human trafficking and impoverished families** to **build livelihoods and start businesses**; and
- **built 9 new homes** and **renovated 6 homes** for **low-income families**.

2 ZERO HUNGER

BLUE DRAGON CONTINUED OUR CRITICAL WORK FEEDING THOSE IN NEED.

WE HAVE:

- served **21,981 nutritious meals** to disadvantaged children and families in crisis at our centre and safe homes;
- provided **9,655 kg of rice** to disadvantaged families in urban areas;
- built **a kitchen** to feed **kindergarten children** in a remote mountain community; and
- provided **emergency food supplies** for **over 1,300 people** affected by Typhoon Yagi.

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

SUPPORTING THE MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH OF BENEFICIARIES AND STAFF IS A VITAL PART OF BLUE DRAGON'S MISSION. ADDITIONALLY, OUR SPORTS PROGRAMS CREATE HEALTHY BODIES AND A SENSE OF BELONGING FOR YOUTH.

BLUE DRAGON HAS:

- provided **individual counselling** to **49 trafficking survivors**;
- hosted **146 football matches**, organised **124 hip-hop classes**, **66 art lessons** and **22 running activities** for **disadvantaged youth**;
- supported **more than 140 staff members** who benefitted from annual **self-care activities**, as well as **16 staff well-being workshops**; and
- hosted the global **Blue Dragon Marathon Walk** for **more than 3,000 individuals** in **32 countries** around the world.

4 QUALITY EDUCATION

HELPING CHILDREN STAY IN SCHOOL IS ESSENTIAL TO BREAKING THE CYCLE OF POVERTY AND ENDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

WE HAVE:

- organised **919 classes** for **disadvantaged children and youth**;
- provided **books**, **school supplies** and paid **school tuition** for **3,257 disadvantaged children** so that they could **stay in school**;
- welcomed **82 volunteers** to our programs with most providing **teaching and tutoring support**;
- provided **university tuition support** for **221 disadvantaged young people**, including **60 new students** of Blue Dragon tertiary scholarships; and
- celebrated **the university graduation** of **39 of our scholarship recipients**.

5 GENDER EQUALITY

POVERTY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING DO NOT TREAT BOYS AND GIRLS EQUALLY. BLUE DRAGON ENSURES ALL OUR SERVICES ARE RESPONSIVE TO THE DIFFERENT NEEDS AND IMPACTS ON MALES AND FEMALES.

IN 2024, BLUE DRAGON HAS:

- provided scholarships **for 130 female tertiary students**, representing 59% of the total tertiary students assisted;
- employed **a staff ratio** of more than **60% female** across our organisation;
- more than **52% of staff** in **leadership positions are female**; and
- employed both **male** and **female direct-care staff** to ensure appropriate care for all survivors of human trafficking and exploitation.

8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

BLUE DRAGON IS COMMITTED TO ENDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN VIETNAM. IN ADDITION TO RESCUING AND SUPPORTING THE REINTEGRATION OF SURVIVORS, WE ENSURE THAT YOUNG PEOPLE ARE PREPARED WELL FOR DECENT WORK.

WE HAVE:

- **rescued** and provided **reintegration assistance** for **336 survivors of human trafficking**, including **170 males**, **164 females** and **2 transgender people**. 68 women were rescued from commercial sexual exploitation, 62 from forced “marriages” and 1 from forced surrogacy. 167 men, 32 women and 2 transgender people were rescued from forced criminality and 1 man was rescued from organ trafficking;
- assisted **18 survivors of trafficking** and **111 disadvantaged young people** to access **vocational training**;
- helped **35 survivors of trafficking** and **149 disadvantaged youth find work** or **start a small business**;
- trained over **30,820 students** and over **23,300 community members** to protect themselves and their communities from **trafficking and child labour**; and
- employed nearly **11% of our staff** from among **former Blue Dragon beneficiaries and relatives** of our current beneficiaries.

10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES

REMOTE, RURAL, ETHNIC COMMUNITIES ARE ESPECIALLY VULNERABLE TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING. THE MOUNTAINOUS REGIONS OF VIETNAM ARE HARD TO FARM PROFITABLY AND SUSTAINABLY, MAKING THEM PRIME TARGETS FOR TRAFFICKERS.

BLUE DRAGON HAS:

- expanded into **a new rural province** where communities are vulnerable to human trafficking; and
- based **local staff teams** in **4 vulnerable provinces**, including **3 mountainous provinces** where **nearly 100%** of the beneficiaries are people from **ethnic minority groups**.

11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

OUR PROGRAMS MAKE VIETNAM A SAFER AND HEALTHIER PLACE TO LIVE.

BLUE DRAGON HAS:

- had **staff on the streets of major cities every night** to connect with **children sleeping rough**; approached **over 400 street kids**, provided them with **holistic support**, and helped **86 children and youth reunite with their families**;
- ensured **around-the-clock availability** to respond to requests for help from **victims of trafficking**; and
- expanded **Anti-Trafficking Boards** to **84 villages** in mountainous areas, empowering local communities and building community resilience.

12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

A BETTER FUTURE IS A MORE SUSTAINABLE FUTURE, AND BLUE DRAGON MODELS THIS VALUE ACROSS THE ORGANISATION.

WE HAVE:

- **composted food scraps** for use in our rooftop garden and used our gardens to **teach children about sustainability**; and
- successfully trialled a **biodigester in a remote community** with a view to installing more.

13 CLIMATE ACTION

ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE IS A RESPONSIBILITY THAT BLUE DRAGON TAKES SERIOUSLY.

WE HAVE:

- grown **300 kg of fruit**, farmed **630 kg of chemical-free vegetables**, and distributed all our food in **biodegradable and reusable packaging**;
- installed **152 solar lights** in **7 remote communes** to provide safe, reliable and sustainable lighting; and
- provided relief for families following Typhoon Yagi:
  - **1,302 people** received **emergency support**;
  - **216 people** relocated to **emergency accommodation**;
  - **508 food packages** delivered; and
  - **55 relief packages** of **household items** delivered.

16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

BLUE DRAGON WORKS HARD TO ACHIEVE JUSTICE FOR VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND ABUSE.

WE HAVE:

- represented **51 survivors of human trafficking and sexual abuse** in **court cases**, resulting in **the imprisonment of 60 traffickers and perpetrators**;
- continued to work with the **central government** on a review of the **Law on Human Trafficking**, which was approved in November 2024; and
- provided **legal advice and assistance** to **209 children and their family members**.

17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

BLUE DRAGON COLLABORATES WITH ORGANISATIONS AROUND THE WORLD. WE BELIEVE THAT ENDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS A COLLABORATIVE PROCESS AND WE SHARE OUR DATA AND EXPERTISE WHEREVER IT CAN BE USEFUL.

WE HAVE:

- worked with government partners across **69 disadvantaged communes** and **11 rural districts**;
- had our work featured in **396 articles and news reports** through multiple channels, across **more than 20 countries** and in **7 different languages**; and
- built partnerships with many schools and businesses, including **61 schools** and over **300 businesses** which each provided substantial financial support through their partnership programs.

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