



HUMANITARIAN SERVICES
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OF VIETNAM

Women's Income Connection (WIC)

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PROJECT SUMMARY

54	21	630	525	4	9
Women participated in the training	Women received chicken and animal feed	Quantity of chicken provided	Quantity (KG) of animal feed provided	Project sites (communes of Ba Vi district)	Project duration from 5/2023

BASELINE SURVEY



30 women are introduced to participate in the Project by the Division of Labor Invalids and Social Affairs (DiOLISA)

Thanks to the support of the local authorities, HSCV, the DiOLISA, and local authorities of communes conducted a quick cross-check of 30 families in 4 district communes.

HSCV selected 21 qualified women (core beneficiaries) for the project and requested 23 women to participate in the training program

Training session



The training course is specially designed for women who not only want to improve their understanding of chicken raising to increase their income but also equip essential skills to effectively manage family finances.



The content of the training is carried out by instructors with practical experience, through positive interaction between lecturers and learners, a fun learning environment, and effective teamwork.



Because the beneficiaries live in different communes and have difficulty traveling, the training session was conducted simultaneously in two different training clusters on the same day to create favorable conditions for the women.



TRAINING ON GREEN POULTRY



The objective of the training course is to orient women to raise poultry in a green, environmentally friendly direction, taking advantage of available resources and towards sustainable development.



The training content focused on skills and practical experiences such as chicken breeding golden hour, vaccines and technical notes, knowledge about the barn and suitable feed, and sharing practical experience in livestock production to reduce risks, save costs and improve livestock efficiency.



Lecturers are experienced and associated with livestock production activities of households in the district; sharing reality helps **100%** of participants find it valuable and meet expectations



TRAINING ON BUSINESS MANAGEMENT SKILLS

- This is a fascinating topic, and as the participants noted, it is directly related to the problems they are trying to solve, which is not understanding how to use a rational spending method.
- Instructors hold students' attention with a student-centered approach throughout the program through active interaction, encouraging students to speak up and share experiences, and teamwork to enhance participation and effectiveness of training.
- As a result of the training, **90%** of participants who took part in the small business management training said they are more knowledgeable about expenditure management, and cash flow planning for poultry raising.





PROVIDING CHICKENS AND ANIMAL FEED

Thanks to the support and coordination between the parties, **630** chickens (315 hens and 315 roosters) and **0.5 tons** of animal feed (bran) were hand-delivered to **21** eligible households. With the shared knowledge and skills, hope to spread optimism for the upcoming development of this flock to 100 and 1000 chickens in a short time.

Furthermore, we anticipate that this support will not only enhance household nutrition and augment income but also alleviate the "rice shirt rice money" strain on women.



LAN'S WIC JOURNEY

Lan is the second child in a family spanning two generations that has been impacted by the devastating effects of Agent Orange. Consequently, Ms. Lan faces physical limitations, making her daily life a formidable challenge. She has been unable to attend school and establish a family of her own. Consequently, for many years, her world has revolved around the confines of her family's home, tending to the fields and household chores. She has also taken on the responsibility of caring for an adopted child, ensuring that their later years are not marked by loneliness.

Lan was introduced to the WIC, offering her the promise of experiences she had never dreamed of, such as sitting in a classroom and gaining new knowledge. She believed that this opportunity would allow her to earn a living independently. Despite the immense challenges she faced, Lan displayed unwavering patience and successfully completed the training sessions. On the day she received her first chicken, she eagerly arrived early with her cousin, Nga, who helped her transport the chickens home. Lan even used her bicycle to carry a sack of animal feed, displaying her determination.

As she awaited her turn, Lan shared her heartfelt aspirations with us. She expressed her intention to raise 30 chickens to provide daily eggs for her son, to prepare a special chicken dish for his birthday, and to use the proceeds from selling some of the chicks during Tet to purchase new clothes. To her, having enough food and new clothes represents the epitome of happiness, and she holds deep gratitude towards HSCV for the opportunities bestowed upon her.

It is crucial to acknowledge that poverty is not the fault of individuals like Lan but is instead the result of the lack of real opportunities within their reach. In partnership with HSCV, generous benefactors have stepped forward to provide opportunities to vulnerable groups, especially disadvantaged women. This support empowers them, instilling confidence and alleviating the burdens of everyday life that perpetually loom over them, such as the struggle to make ends meet.

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We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the generous benefactors who have stood alongside HSCV in providing these valuable opportunities for women facing challenging circumstances, ensuring that no one is left behind.

If you wish to learn more about HSCV's WIC program, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at hscv.info@hscv.org.

