

March 3, 2005

Ms. Lia Lent
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Heifer International
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Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

Dear Ms. Lent:

Congratulations! Your "Youth at Risk" project has been approved for funding by the students of Operation Day's Work-USA (ODW-USA). We received a total of ten proposals and over the past several weeks students at our member schools across the United States have been reviewing all of them and learning about the different countries. The task of choosing just one proposal to fund was difficult. More than 1,000 students took part in making that decision.

We truly appreciate the effort that went in to preparing your application. Students in participating Operation Day's Work schools are already busy learning about Vietnam and the developing world. The effort your organization is making, as well as the importance it ties to helping the young women in An Giang Province, was one of the many aspects of your proposal that most appealed to us. We also felt that the project's use of education and agriculture training was a novel idea and an excellent way to make a real difference in enriching the lives of the women.

The students in Operation Day's Work look forward to frequent and regular correspondence with your organization, including photos of the "Youth at Risk" project area in Vietnam. Also, if possible, correspondence from students receiving an education through this project would be greatly appreciated.

We look forward to working together and will now turn our attention to raising the money to fund your proposal. Together, we can positively change the lives of young people around the world. Once again, congratulations!

Sincerely yours,

/s/

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*Signing on behalf of all the Hard Working, Dedicated Students in Operations Day's Work-USA