

AVVRG Da Dac Kindergarten Project Details

Project Title: Bau Dien Hamlet - Da Bac Commune - Chau Duc Dist – Ba Ria Vung Tau Province, Kindergarten Project

Sector, (health, education, etc): Education.

Project duration: It would be hoped 3 to 4 months from the time of approval.

Project location: Bau Dien Hamlet – Da Bac Commune, Chau Due Dist, Ba Ria - V T

Name of the Organization Proposing the Project and Contact Address:-

**AUSTRALIAN VETERANS VIETNAM RECONSTRUCTION GROUP (AVVRG) and
EDUCATION & TRAINING DEPARTMENT of CHAU DUC DISTRICT**

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Total cost of project Including VAT **USD \$ 77,015.15**

Total amount of Local Contribution: **USD \$ 12,519.48**

Contribution of any other organization: **Nil \$ 8,850.00**

Total amount of application: **USD \$ 55,645.67**

Date of application: 9th December 2002.

Name and position:

Mr Rod Burgess.
In-Country President AVVRG VN.

Signature:

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

1. Background Information

Describe the problem or issue which the project is designed to overcome .

This project is designed to assist the Chau Duc Dist People's Committee (PC) develop an education system for the Chau Duc Area. The PC have already contributed monies to the Education Dept to set up of a Hight School at Nguyen Cong Tru, & a Primary School at Phuoc An & Suoi Nghe, however; they have run out of money for their proposed Kindergarten at Da Bac Commune

Explain how the problem arose.

Da Bac (Before Suoi Nghe) was first presented to the current AVVRG Executive as a request for assistance for Kindergartens as part of a proposed three (3) part installation plan, by the Ba Ria Vung Tau Union of Friendship, at a meeting held at the UFO Offices Vung Tau 24 May 2001. The 1st project was for a Kindergarten to be built at Long Tan Village, which the Long Dat peoples Committee went ahead & completed by themselves. The 2nd was for a Kindergarten on the side of the disused airstrip at the old Task Force Base at Nui Dat, which was opened by the current Consulate General Dr Steven Henningham, at a ceremony on Monday 24 July 2002; & the 3rd being for the Suoi Nghe now Da Bac Commune Kindergarten, which is planned to be commence early 2003.

Describe, the area where the project will be located including its socio-economic status.

Da Bac Commune is located at the base of the old Horse Shoe 10 kilometres North of Long Tan Village and surrounded by the Long Hai Mountains. The area forms parts of the Tri-Angle where the Nui-Dat task force base was located. The area is very poor and unemployment is extremely high.

Describe the target groups (dissagregated by gender where appropriate) and their needs, the causes of their needs. Describe the relationship of those needs to the goal of the ASAS.

Information to hand would indicate that the inaugural occupants who would benefit from the opening of the Kindergarten, will be 400 children per day, 6 days per week aged between 2 years to 5 years.

Explain the reason for undertaking this project.

This Project was initially discussed between the BVT UFO & International President & founder of the AVVRG (Mr Paul Murphy), prior to the present in country AVVRG Exertive taking Office 29 August 2000. The 3rd kindergarten Project was put on hold until a 2nd Kindergarten project, being the Phong Phu Nui Dat Kindergarten at near by Long Phuc commune; was brought on line Monday 24 Jul 02. The AVVRG in it's initial discussions with the UFO stipulated that the 3rd project must go to an area

which is extremely in need of such a facility. The first selection was Suoi Nghe, however after a site visit by the AVVRG, UFO and the BVT- PC Education department it was decided to move the project from Suoi Nghe to a much more deserving site at Da Bac.

Are there any similar activities being conducted by government or other donors to address the problem in your area?

Not to the knowledge of the AVVRG Executive. The AVVRG as per its licence is only allowed to operate as an NGO in the old Australian Military Area of Operations; being the then Phuc Tuy Province, which is now known as Ba Ria Vung Tau Province. The AVVRG since its conception by Mr Paul Murphy in 1996, has built one Orphanage, one Kindergarten, re-built the Hoa Long Primary School supplied clean water drinking units to 7 schools; plus conducted other charitable small aid programmes around the Ba Ria Vung Tau Province.

Project Description

2. Goal/Objectives

To provide a Kindergarten Educational Facility for the very young children of the Da Bac Commune in this instance, & promote an ongoing hearts & minds operation undertaken by Australians & ex-serving members for the Ba Ria Vung Tau Province.

2.1 Project Implementation.

Provide an implementation schedule for the project (breakdown for each components /tasks if necessary).

The AVVRG intends to use a similar BHP Lysaght Vietnam steel frame and Light Weight Cement Panels by IEC Co Ltd and use the same builder who built the Phong Phu Nui Dat Kindergarten. If funding is approved it would be anticipated that the overall Project would be completed in 3 to 4 month. Schedule attached.

Detail the inputs required (personnel, equipment, training, etc).

- The Education & Training Dept of Chau Duc District will be responsible to level the land and construct an entrance road. Supply and install the city water supply and the electrical system and Security Fencing and Gates using local personal.
- The AVVRG will project manage the complete installation ie : Foundations, Steel Frame, Panels, City Water & Drinking Water, Electricity, Painting and etc.
- BHP will supply and install the steel frame work, roofing and guttering.
- IEC Co Ltd will supply and Install all the Roof and Wall light weight cement panels and the Drinking Water Unit.
- Da Loc Co Ltd will carry out the design and construction of the Kindergarten.

- IEC will carry out on-site training for local people and employ them to assist in the installation of light weight cement panels.
- AVVRG will be responsible for the funding to Fit Out the Kindergarten.

Explain how this project will benefit the target beneficiaries. If possible give the number of direct beneficiaries and any indirect beneficiaries by target groups (disaggregated by gender where appropriate).

As previously stated, it has been indicated to the AVVRG that 400 Kindergarten aged children will attend classes after the facility is opened. At present where the proposed kindergarten site is there are 400 children per day attending kindergarten studies in a facility that can not support such an activity. The area is expected to double in the not to distant future so schooling is going to be a huge problem. This facility will go along way to help cope with a over crowded problem in the future.

What other benefits can be expected as a result of this project.

It would be anticipated that employment would be offered to Teachers & Servicewomen to staff the facility, as it would be further anticipated that the building would be utilized by the Community for other curricular activities.

2.2 Funding

Provide a detailed breakdown of the costs required to undertake the activities.

Describe how these costs have been calculated (e.g on the basis of quotes)

Expenses: In EXPRESSES (US) DOLLARS

Civil works

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| • Site levelling, Supply of City Water & Electricity
Security Fencing & Gates and Entry Road | \$ 12,519.48 |
| • Foundations, Construction, Toilets & Septic Tank,
Footpaths & Flag Pole, Surface Top Dressing | \$ 19,739.61 |
| • BHP Steel Frame - Includes, Delivery, Labour &
Installation Costs | \$ 14,899.30 |
| • Lightweight cement panels & Installation | \$ 11,520.41 |
| • Consumables | \$ 500.00 |
| • Transport | \$ 300.00 |
| • Drinking water unit. | \$ 3,230.00 |
| • Fit Out, ie : Tables, Chairs, Black Boards, Outdoor
Play Equipment & etc Funded by the AVVRG | \$ 5,000.00 |

Project Management By AVVRG	\$ 3,850.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$ 71,558.80
Contingency 5%	\$ 73,347.77
TOTAL , Including - VAT Tax 5%	\$ 77,015.15
• Specify the amount of funding requested from AusAID	\$ 55,645.67
• Contribution by the requesting agency in running costs	\$ 21,369.48

Payment

Payment by AusAid will be as per AusAid protocol IE : 100% of the value of the application to the Proposing Organization paid into the bank account of the AVVRG. It will be the responsibility of the Proposing Organization to Liquidate all monies to AusAid on forms of cash & account payment receipts before the project is liquidated and ready for sign off.

Has the proposal also been or will be submitted to other donors? Is this activity a part of or being implemented in conjunction with any activity funded by Government or other donors?

The AVRG is unaware of any other donor being involved in the Project, & as the Proposed Project Managers for the Kindergarten, the AVVRG would be well placed to be aware of another donor if that were to be the case.

In relation to the Project being in conjunction with another activity, as previously mentioned at the beginning of this submission; the AVVRG's input is part of an overall programme to assist in delivering education facilities to the Chu Duc District, being the already commissioned Hight School at Nguyen Cong Tru, & the Primary Schools at Phuoc An & Suoi Nghe.

Project Management

- **Describe how you plan to manage the project (provide details on who will be responsible for each components/tasks if appropriate).**
- The AVVRG will undertake the responsibility of being the overall Project Manager.
- Civil works, Water & Electrical Supply, Security Fence & Gates to be undertaken by the Education & Training Dept of Chau Duc District.
- Steel Frame & Roof by BHP Lysaght VN.
- Light weight cement floor & wall panels by IEC Co Ltd.

- Construction by Da Loc Co Ltd
- Education & Training Dept of Chau Duc District (Ref to Details of Inputs)

3. Other Relevant Issues

- **Does the project create any possible negative environmental and health impacts? What are the proposed remedial actions for the problems?**
- A certificate/clearance will be asked for by the AVVRG before commencement of construction of the Kindergarten at the site, to ensure that the site is not an old minefield, ammunition dump, or agent orange hot spot.
- **How are women consulted during the preparation of the project? If so, describe the consultation process.**
- The AVVRG Executive is not in a position to have knowledge to be able to answer this question, however a number of women are involved in this project at the Vietnamese level in what capacity we are not sure.
- Sustainability
- The AVVRG Executive has indicated to the Ba Ria – Vung Tau, Education Department that after the kindergarten is completed and the hand over documents have been signed off, there will be no further funding from either AVVRG or AusAid and the facility must be sustainable

The day-by-day running costs of the kindergarten must be the responsibility of the Baria- Vung Tau Education Department or the People's Committee of Chau Duc District

The AVVRG will however exercise a very keen on-going interest in the kindergarten and make sure that the proper maintenance is carried out.

It is the ambition of the AVVRG to complete this project prior to Anzac day 2003.