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World Vision Việt Nam in collaboration with Hải Phòng Department of Education and Training to Improve Transferable Skills for Youths in Local High Schools

Hải Phòng, 22 April 2022 - World Vision Việt Nam and Hải Phòng Department of Education and Training launched the "Improving Transferable Skills for Youth in Hải Phòng" Project. Attending the kick-off event were representatives of Hải Phòng People's Committee, Department of Education and Training, Department of Planning and Investment, Department of Foreign Affairs, Department of Public Security, Ngô Quyền District People's Committee, Ngô Quyền District Department of Education and Training, together with representatives of 4 Project's target high schools (Thái Phiên, Thăng Long, Marie Curie, and Maritime).

With a total value of **USD 245,850**, the "Improving Transferable Skills for Youth in Hải Phòng" Project, sponsored by Samsung SDS Korea, will be implemented within **18 months** (April 2022 - October 2023). The Project's Goal is to equip **600 high school students** and **95 teachers** in Ngô Quyền District with information technology skillset and other necessary soft skills to improve students' access, especially those from vulnerable groups, to better learning and employment opportunities.

"As the third-largest city in Việt Nam, Hải Phòng is one of the country's technological, economic, educational, scientific, and commercial centers. In the current digital age, more students in Hải Phòng are pursuing computer science careers thanks to the early access to the STEM education programs (Science - Technology - Engineering - Mathematics) at schools," said Deputy Director of Hải Phòng Department of Education and Training Đỗ Văn Lợi.



Figure 1: Deputy Director of Hải Phòng Department of Education and Training Đỗ Văn Lợi spoke at the event.



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"Although computer labs and computer learning programs have become familiar in many high schools, as part of the STEM curricula, we still need to improve teaching and learning capacity further to generate students' interest and ignite their passion for computer programming. Simultaneously, it is also fundamental to equip them with the tools and resources they need to develop STEM skills, allowing them to proactively embrace the 4.0 digital age's innovations," Mr. Loi added.

Faced with this situation and based on actual local needs, World Vision Việt Nam will implement the Project by leveraging its network of monitoring and managing community-based activities and its long-term partnership with local authorities. This helps achieve the following two sets of results: (1) Improving the capacity of students and teachers in Information Technology, including computer programming, multimedia, digital marketing, web design, and (2) Developing the ability for students and teachers to apply soft skills to improve access to quality jobs (e.g., communication skills, online safety, teamwork, problem solving, leadership, and life skills).

"Besides supporting the set-up of computer rooms in schools, the 'Improving Transferable Skills for Youth in Håi Phòng' Project aims to create a sustainable impact on the lives of children and the community. Specifically, creating opportunities for students to pursue higher education and enhancing teachers' capacity to improve the training quality for future generations, in the long run, will help better the general well-being of the community, especially the most vulnerable groups. Moreover, this is also the premise for many integration opportunities with the world, bringing children life in all its fullness," emphasized World Vision Việt Nam's Operations Director Thân Thị Hà.



Figure 2: World Vision Việt Nam's Operations Director Thân Thị Hà and Deputy Director of Hải Phòng Department of Education and Training Đỗ Văn Lợi at the event.

The "Improving Transferable Skills for Youth in Hải Phòng" Project is expected to continue the essential and persistent contribution of World Vision Việt Nam to the general development of Hải Phòng City. Furthermore, in the direction of Việt Nam's Socio-Economic and Education Development Strategies between 2021 and 2030, the Project will also contribute to improving Hải





Phòng's quality of human resources, especially in information technology to meet the city's needs for economic and technological growth.

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