# **UNITED STATES-VIETNAM PARTNERSHIP**



In 2020, the United States and
Vietnam are celebrating our 25th
anniversary of bilateral relations. The
breadth and depth of cooperation
between our two great countries
is stunning. In areas as diverse
as trade, development, education,
health care, energy, and security, the
U.S. and a strong and independent
Vietnam are working together. Today,
our nations are trusted partners

with a friendship grounded in mutual respect. Because we know: As trusted partners, we prosper together.

 25 years after establishing relations, trade has grown from almost zero to over \$77 billion annually.  We remain committed to honestly addressing our humanitarian and legacy of war challenges. We have provided over \$400 million to date to clean up dioxin, remove Unexploded Ordnance (UXO), and support persons with disabilities. We are also accounting for Missing in Action and war dead and building trust by promoting veterans exchanges.







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#### **HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT**

- Over 25 years of successful higher education collaboration between the United States and Vietnam has fostered the establishment of Fulbright University of Vietnam (FUV) – the first independent, not-for-profit, U.S.-affiliated university in Vietnam.
- In FY2019, USAID assistance to Vietnam totaled approximately \$139 million in program areas focused on economic governance, higher education, global health security, the welfare of persons with disabilities, and the environment. USAID programs in Vietnam bolster continued development by focusing resources where they are needed most and on programs with the highest impact.
- Nearly 30,000 Vietnamese students are studying in the United States, the sixth leading country of origin for foreign students in the United States adding nearly \$1 billion to the U.S. economy and priceless contributions to people-to-people ties. They will return to Vietnam with a world-class education and will contribute to a thriving economy.
- Since 1989, the United States has provided over \$125 million in assistance directly and indirectly supporting over a million Vietnamese persons with disabilities.

### **SECURITY COOPERATION**

- The United States and Vietnam share a strategic vision of peace, stability, and rules-based order.
- We cooperate on a wide range of areas, including Peacekeeping, HA/DR, Search and Rescue, Maritime Security, and Military Medicine.
- Since 2009, the U.S. has invested more than \$400 million to build partner capacity with the total package approach.
- Our defense relationship seeks to promote a strong and peaceful security environment that promotes private investment; ensures energy security; and results in mutually beneficial economic prosperity.



### **ECONOMIC COOPERATION**

- Key U.S. goods exports include computers and electronics, cotton, aircraft, and crude oil. Vietnam is the sixth largest country market for U.S. food and agricultural exports.
- Vietnam continued to be the world's largest market for U.S. cotton, with a record \$1.4 billion in sales during 2019, accounting for 23% of all U.S. cotton exports worldwide.

#### **HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

- The U.S. government is providing over \$13 million in health assistance and economic support funds to respond to COVID-19. Apart from supporting private-sector recovery, these funds will help the Government of Vietnam prepare laboratory systems, activate case-finding and event-based surveillance, support technical experts for preparedness and response, conduct community education and engagement, prevent infections in health-care settings, and conduct public health screening at points of entry.
- When the U.S. Government launched the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) in 2003, Vietnam was the first country in Asia to receive support. Since then, more than 140,000 people in Vietnam are receiving lifesaving antiretroviral drugs among an estimated 230,000 people living with HIV nationwide.

## **SELECT U.S. EMPLOYERS**

Intel	Nike	AIG
Proctor &	Ford	Citibank
Gamble	Coca Cola	Grand Ho Tram
Cargill	Pepsi	First Solar
GE	AES	



