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**LIN Hosts Workshop on Skilled Volunteer Management for Local Not-for-Profit Organizations**  
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Ho Chi Minh City – On Thursday morning, the LIN Center for Community Development (LIN) organized a half-day workshop on, “Best Practices in Mobilizing, Motivating, and Managing Skilled Volunteers,” for representatives of local not-for-profit organizations. This was the second in a series of capacity building workshops organized by LIN to support the local not-for-profit (NFP) community.

Nearly fifty representatives from area NFP organizations gathered together this morning to learn about best practices and exchange experiences and ideas about various aspects of volunteer recruitment and volunteer management. Mr. Pham Truong Son, LIN’s Community Liaison introduced best practices in volunteer management and explained the process of working with LIN to recruit skilled volunteers. Our guest speaker from the business community, Ms. Nguyen Thu Ha, MA/JD and Human Resource Manager with Horizon Capital Group, then shared ideas and strategies for motivating volunteers. We also heard stories and personal experiences from several Volunteer Managers including: Ms. Pham Bao Chinh of Saigon Children’s Charity; Ms. Nguyễn Hương Dương of the Audio Library for the Blind; Ms. Nguyen Thi Thuy Trang (formerly with) Operation Smile and Mr. Lê Trung Hải of the Blue Dreams Volunteer Group.

“This is the second in a series of capacity building workshops that we are organizing to promote best practices and information exchange among the not-for-profit community in Ho Chi Minh City,” explained Ms. Ngo Quynh Nhu, LIN’s Executive Director. (The first workshop, on 15 September, addressed the topic of setting up a not-for-profit organization in Vietnam.) “Thanks to the generous support of our sponsors, including Horizon Capital, Vinausteel, Thép Uc, Xu Corporation and others we are so pleased to organize workshops like this to address some of the common challenges that organizations face when working to address quality of life issues in Ho Chi Minh City.”

**About LIN Center for Community Development**

The LIN Center for Community Development seeks to promote community alliances and identify community resources that can improve access to opportunities for people living in and around HCMC. At the heart of LIN’s establishment is the belief that local people and local groups are best placed to recognize and respond to the needs of the community. LIN’s core services include grantmaking to local not-for-profit organizations, capacity building for donors and grantees, as well as research and information sharing.

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