



Fighting for Justice & Compensation for Vietnamese Agent Orange Victims and All Agent Orange Victims!

Vietnam Agent Orange Relief & Responsibility Campaign

A brief introduction to Agent Orange



- Between 1968 and 1971, a total of 6,500 spraying missions were carried out in an area of about 1,500,000 hectares, which represented about 12 percent of South Vietnam and portions of Laos and Cambodia.
- At least 527,000 gallons of Agent Orange were sprayed in Laos and significant amounts were sprayed in Cambodia.

A brief introduction to Agent Orange



- Stellman et al. estimate that as many as 4.8 million Vietnamese were directly exposed
- An estimated 800,000 people suffer serious health problems and in need of constant medical attention
- An estimated 50,000 deformed children born to parents who were directly sprayed or were exposed through food and water
- Risk of death from cancer among people exposed to dioxin: 30%
- Parents exposed to Agent Orange 2.2 times more likely to have deformed child

Dioxin- the most toxic chemical



Dioxins have been shown to be risk factors in the following conditions:

1. Cancer
2. Immune deficiency
3. Reproductive and developmental abnormalities
4. Central and peripheral nervous system pathology
5. Endocrine disruption
6. Diabetes
7. Thyroid disorders
8. Decreased pulmonary functions and bronchitis
9. Altered serum testosterone levels
10. Eyelid pathology
11. Gum pigmentation
12. Nausea, vomiting, loss of appetite
13. Skin rashes
14. Liver damage
15. Elevated serum cholesterol and triglycerides
16. At risk mortality associated with high levels of occupational exposure to dioxins with acute ischemic cardiovascular events
17. Transient acute health effects include headache, pruritis, fatigue,
18. Irritability, personality changes, pain in abdomen or extremities, diarrhea, insomnia

The youngest victims



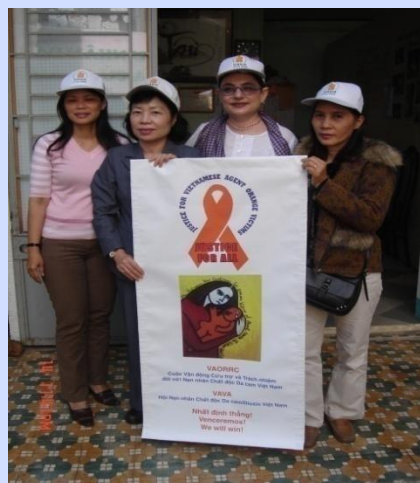


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We work in partnership with the **Vietnam Association for Victims of Agent Orange/Dioxin (VAVA)**.

VAORRC in solidarity with VAVA in Danang



With VAVA leadership at the National Headquarters



Goals of Campaign



- We support the Vietnamese Agent Orange survivors and their representative, the Vietnam Association for Victims of Agent Orange/Dioxin in their determination to win justice and compensation for Agent Orange victims in Vietnam and throughout the world.
- We call upon our government and the chemical manufactures who profited from making Agent Orange, to meet their responsibility to compensate the more than three million Vietnamese people suffering from the effects of Agent Orange. The U.S. government has a moral and legal obligation to heal the wounds of war.
- We are beginning to focus on achieving justice and compensation for Cambodian and Lao Agent Orange victims.

Victims of Agent Orange Relief Act



- The Victims of Agent Orange Relief Act, currently HR 3518 is introduced by Congresswoman Barbara Lee from 2013 through 2022 and will be reintroduced in 2023



Victims of Agent Orange Relief Act:



- Health care, rehab & social services for Vietnamese victims
- Medical services for:
 - children and grandchildren of U.S. Vietnam veterans affected by Agent Orange & for
 - Vietnamese Americans affected by Agent Orange
- Cleanup of the toxic hot spots in Vietnam
- Joint research into health affects on Vietnamese and U.S. people

Vietnamese American Agent Orange Victims



- We work with young Vietnamese American organizers to support the Victims of Agent Orange Relief Act to which will provide medical care for Agent Orange victims in the Vietnamese community in the U.S.



Corporate Accountability

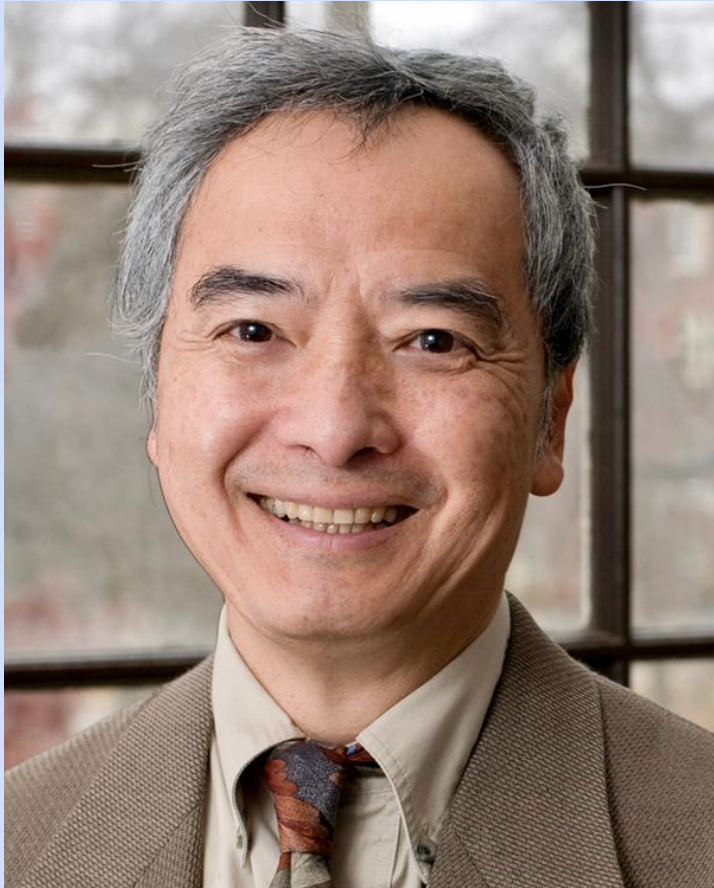


The Yes Men, Acceptable Risk, 2005
Photo courtesy of The Yes Men



We will never forget...

Our founding
Board member
and dear
friend, Ngô
Vĩnh Long



We look forward to working with you!



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Thank you!