

Dear A Life A Time donors,

We want to thank you for your support in our efforts in helping orphaned and impoverished children in China who suffer from congenital illnesses or severe trauma.

We are excited to report that we have already put in use the donations and prizes we won during GlobalGiving's Open Fundraising Challenge. Following the end of the Open Challenge in March, the number of children that received medical funds from us doubled in both April and May compared to our previous average of 4-7 children per month. Without your generous support, we would not have been able to help all of those children, and on behalf of them, please accept our sincere appreciation.

Below is a summary of some individual children who we helped during April and May.

For detailed information on all the children we have helped and/or are still in need of your help, please visit our website: <http://www.alifetime.org/cn/default.aspx>

For detailed information on the uses of the donations we received via the GlobalGiving platform, please visit the following link: [http://www.alifetime.org/cn/help/donation\\_list.aspx?id=761](http://www.alifetime.org/cn/help/donation_list.aspx?id=761)

### **Yujie**

Gender: Male

Disease / Illness: Premature

Date of Birth: January 18, 2014

Contribution from A Life A Time: \$1,612.63

Story Link: <http://www.alifetime.org/cn/children/story.aspx?id=750>

Yujie was born 10-weeks premature, along with his twin older brother. The older brother was in critical condition and had to rely on ventilator for life support. His condition did not improve, and with the family unable to afford the medical expenses, especially for both children, the older brother was given up to save Yujie, who was in a relatively more stable condition, although he had to rely on a ventilator periodically.

With the support and hard work of doctors, donors, volunteers and various nonprofit organizations, Yujie's condition improved and he was released from the hospital at the end of April.

March 2014: Yujie inside Pediatric Intensive Care Unit



April 2014: Yujie happy to return home



## **Fengying**

Gender: Female

Disease / Illness: Hydrocephalus

Date of Birth: May 28, 2012

Contribution from A Life A Time: \$804.53

Story Link: <http://www.alifetime.org/cn/children/story.aspx?id=758>

Six months after Fengying was found by her foster parents when she was abandoned by her biological parents after she was born, her head started to enlarge. She was diagnosed with hydrocephalus, but the local hospital did not have the expertise to treat Fengying. Because the family is in difficult financial condition, the foster parents were finally able to borrow enough money to bring Fengying to Shanghai for further diagnosis, but again had to return home because they could not afford the necessary surgical treatment expenses.

In October 2013, with donations raised by volunteers and from different nonprofit organizations, after over a year since been diagnosed with hydrocephalus, Fengying finally underwent the needed surgery. Because Fengying did not receive the immediate treatments after the diagnosis, causing head enlargement, Fengying was unable to sit or stand after the surgery, and physical therapies are required.

Between April 17, 2014 and May 12, 2014, with donations from various nonprofit organizations, Fengying completed her first set of physical therapy. The second round is scheduled two weeks from now.

November 2013: Fengying after her surgery



May 2014: Fengying completed her first physical therapy



## **Rongxuan**

Gender: Male

Disease / Illness: Burn

Date of Birth: July 29, 2012

Contribution from A Life A Time: \$804.53

Story Link: <http://www.alifetime.org/cn/children/story.aspx?id=759>

Rongxuan accidentally broke a hot water bottle when he was 8 months old and both of his legs and perineum were severely burned. The family used up their meager savings together with borrowed money on Rongxuan's medical treatments. After multiple surgical treatments with medical expenses of RMB 200,000

(approx.USD32,500), Rongxuan's life was saved, but scar tissue and adhesions were developed following surgeries and Rongxuan was no longer able to stand or walk.

Between April and May of this year, with help from volunteers and their fundraising efforts, Rongxuan completed two successful scar tissue release surgeries in Beijing. Now, Rongxuan will undergo physical therapies to help him to stand and walk again.

April 2014: Rongxuan prior to his surgeries



May 2014: Rongxuan after his two surgeries



### **Demeng**

Gender: Male

Disease / Illness: Burn

Date of Birth: January 27, 2010

Contribution from A Life A Time: \$804.53

Story Link: <http://www.alifetime.org/cn/children/story.aspx?id=773>

In February 2014, Demeng's face, neck and both hands were severely burned when he fell into a fire pit at home. After a series of surgical treatments, Demeng's life was saved but except for his right pinky, all nine fingers were amputated. The family has spent over RMB 50,000 (USD7,352), the only amount this improvised family was able to raise through borrowings from relatives and friends.

Demeng is still in critical condition and more surgical treatments are needed. Demeng and his family still need your donations to help with their already due hospital expenses and medical expenses to cover more needed surgical treatments. If you want help Demeng, please visit the story link above. Your donations will be used directly to help Demeng's medical expenses.

Demeng before the injury



In order to prevent muscular atrophy around Demeng's mouth, a mouth gag is required. Because the family could not afford one that costs RMB6,000 (USD882), Xiang's father made one using a cork from a hot water bottle.



We would like to ask for your continued support in the future by visiting our website: <http://www.alifetime.org/cn/default.aspx>, or our fundraising platform on GlobalGiving.

Please spread the word of our fundraising efforts to your family members, friends and colleagues.

Thank you again, and together let's help as many children as possible and allow them to experience love and be treated with dignity and care!

Sincerely yours,

A Life A Time Foundation