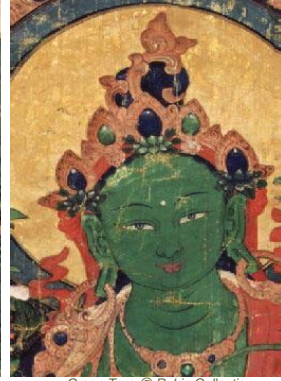




White Tara @ Rubin Collection



Lotus detail of Green Tara



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Amendment to the By-laws of Viet Nalanda Foundation

“Tara Without Borders” Viet Nalanda Foundation’s Charity Fund

Mission – Guidelines

Background: *Tara Without Borders* (TWB) was established in March of 2008 as a “charity fund” based in Westminster, California, under the governance of *Viet Nalanda Foundation* (VNF), a non-profit religious, educational and charity 501 (c) 3 organization that focuses on networking among Vietnamese Tibetan Buddhists worldwide. TWB is currently under the direction of Mai-Thy Truong, a Board member of Viet Nalanda Foundation. TWB also has a small group of committee members who serves to assist TWB’s director in the decision-making progress, bookkeeping and other related tasks pertaining to TWB’s activities.

Mission: TWB’s mission is to provide financial assistance to help relieve the suffering of beings who are undergoing torments, hardships, sicknesses, etc. TWB wishes to reach out and send support to needy children, orphans, people with special-needs, elderly people, refugees, nuns and monks, nomadic families, rural school projects, etc.

TWB focuses on helping people in the Vietnamese and Tibetan communities, either living inside Vietnam, Tibet, or abroad, as well as providing support to special projects that are initiated and organized by Vietnamese or Tibetan Lamas.

Funding: TWB acquires fund from different sources of donors, such as Dharma friends, family members, TWB/VNF supporters via personal email communication, and also, by words-of-mouth, etc... Donors make contribution on a voluntary basis whenever the need arises. TWB does not have an on-going solicit program.

Guidelines: Due to its limited resources, TWB's fund should be disbursed, firstly, to community and charity projects that are aimed at providing assistance to a group of people who are in-need of specific services.

Secondly, when requests are made to TWB based on an individual's needs (e.g. to provide assistance to an individual rather than a group), TWB will review each request on a case-by-case basis, and respectfully reserves the right to either accept or decline the request based on the following criteria, in the order of priorities: (1) ordained members who have needs to support their own charity projects; (2) ordained members who devote their lives to practice the Buddha-Dharma on a full-time basis undergoing hardships; (3) ordained members who have no kinship support undergoing hardships; and (4) laypeople having rare illnesses or undergoing extreme hardships.

When consensus cannot be reached among committee members as to which project to receive TWB's assistance, TWB's director will be requested to provide guidance and is responsible for reaching the final decision based on the above-listed criteria and priorities.

Further information can be found on the official webpage of TWB at the following link:
<http://www.vietnalanda.org/tarawithoutborders.html>